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7	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8	FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA
9	In the matter of
10	UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE) REAPPOINTMENT PROCESS) GENERAL ORDER NO. 10-09
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12	The following guidelines shall govern the reappointment process of United States
13	Magistrate Judges in the District of Arizona.
14	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED upon the court's appointment of a Merit Selection
15	Panel, the Chair of the Panel shall schedule an initial meeting to inform the Panel members of
16	the requirements for reappointing a United States Magistrate Judge and provide each member
17 19	with a copy of The Selection and Appointment of United States Magistrate Judges.
18 19	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in addition to soliciting comments from members
19 20	of the federal bar regarding the incumbent's abilities, the Panel shall schedule personal
20 21	interviews with a minimum of three attorneys who regularly appear before this court. The
22	purpose of the interviews being to specifically address the incumbent's character, judgment,
22	legal ability, temperament and commitment to equal justice under the law. An interview
24	shall also be scheduled with the incumbent.
25	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the Panel shall seek input regarding the incumbent's
26	abilities from the district judges of this court, if they so choose to be interviewed. At the
27	conclusion of all interviews, a written report of the incumbent's strengths and weaknesses,
28	along with the Panel's recommendation, shall be submitted to the Chief Judge of this court.
	After considering the Panel's recommendation, the district judges of the court shall make a

determination as to whether to reappoint the incumbent. Approval of the Panel's recommendation will require a majority vote of the district judges eligible to vote under 28 U.S.C. §§ 296 and 631, as well as a majority vote of the district judges from the division where the reappointment will occur. DATED this <u>30th</u> day of August, 2010. Tolin all Roll John M. Chief United States District Judge

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