

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

IN THE MATTER OF:
APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE
MAGISTRATE JUDGE MERIT
SELECTION PANEL COMMITTEE

25-MC-00004-33

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 631 (b)(5) of Title 28, United States Code, with the concurrence of the Article III Judges in the District, this Administrative Order is entered for the Court.

IT IS ORDERED that the following members of the Court's Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel are reappointed for a three-year term effective on January 1, 2026 and ending on December 31, 2028:

Joe M. Romero, Lawyer

Gerald G. Dixon, Lawyer

John Chavez, Non-Lawyer

All members appointed under this order have received written notice of the one-year restriction against former merit selection panel members applying for a magistrate judge position (pursuant to the *Guide to Judiciary Policy*, Volume 3, Chapter 4, § 420.30.20(d)).

DONE this 12th day of November, 2025.

FOR THE COURT:¹

/s/
KENNETH J. GONZALES²
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

¹ For the court, pursuant to Administrative Order Misc. No. 83-252.

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