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CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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IN THE MATTER OF)
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THE ASSIGNMENT OF CASES)
AND DUTIES TO JUDGES)
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GENERAL ORDER NO. 224-B

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that effective November 1, 1994, General Order 224 be amended as follows:

"17.0 CRIMINAL SETTLEMENT JUDGE PANEL

17.1 ASSIGNMENT - There shall be a Criminal Settlement Judge Panel comprised of three or more district judges appointed by the Chief Judge, with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Court, who shall conduct criminal settlement conferences when requested by parties.

A settlement judge shall be randomly assigned to any complex criminal case upon the filing of a request and approval of the trial judge.

If the settlement judge assigned becomes unavailable or otherwise cannot hear the settlement conference, the case shall be returned to the Clerk for the random assignment to another settlement judge.

17.2 CREDIT FOR SETTLEMENT PANEL ASSIGNMENT - The Case Assignment Committee may, from time-to time, consider credit for the district

judges performing these settlement duties.

17.3 TERM - The judges on the Criminal Settlement Judge Panel shall serve for a period to be determined by the Chief Judge.

18.0 CIVIL SETTLEMENT JUDGE PANEL

18.1 ASSIGNMENT - There shall be a Civil Settlement Judge Panel comprised of four or more district judges and one or more magistrate judges appointed by the Chief Judge, with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Court, who shall conduct civil settlement proceedings when requested by parties.

A settlement judge shall be randomly assigned to any civil case upon the filing of a request and approval of the trial judge.

If the settlement judge assigned becomes unavailable or otherwise cannot hear the settlement conference, the case shall be returned to the Clerk for the random assignment to another settlement judge.

18.2 CREDIT FOR SETTLEMENT PANEL ASSIGNMENT - The district judges serving on the Civil Settlement Judge Panel shall automatically receive two civil case credits per month. The Case Assignment Committee may, from time-to-time, adjust the credit for the district judges performing these settlement duties.

The magistrate judge(s) on the Civil Settlement Judge Panel shall receive case credit as approved by the Chief Magistrate Judge.

18.3 TERM - The district judges and magistrate judge(s) on the Civil Settlement Judge Panel shall serve for a period to be determined by the Chief Judge."

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