



**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge RUTH MILLER at the District Court of the Virgin Islands, Division of St. Thomas and St. John, is due to expire on April 25, 2018. The District Court of the Virgin Islands is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the Magistrate Judge to a new eight-year term.

The duties of a magistrate judge are demanding and wide-ranging. Those duties include the following: (1) the conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from a district judge; and (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants.

Members of the bar and the public are invited to submit written comments addressing whether United States Magistrate Judge Ruth Miller should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the Court. Comments should be directed to:

Re: Reappointment of Magistrate Judge  
Glenda L. Lake, Esquire  
Clerk of Court  
Ron de Lugo Federal Bldg. & U.S. Courthouse  
5500 Veteran's Drive, Suite 310  
St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands 00802

Comments must be received in writing by September 15, 2017. All comments will be kept confidential.