

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
GENERAL ORDER 21-0040**

**RE: Internal Operating Procedure 12 Western Division Backup Judge**

Internal Operating Procedure 12 requires the designation of a regular active judge, whose duty station is the Eastern Division and who is not currently serving as chief judge, to serve as the Western Division backup judge. Therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following Eastern Division United States District Judges who have volunteered to be the Western Division backup District Judge be designated as the Western Division Backup Judge during the timeframes indicated below:

December 1, 2021 – December 31, 2022: United States District Judge John F. Kness  
January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023: United States District Judge Steven C. Seeger  
January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024: United States District Judge Mary M. Rowland  
January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025: United States District Judge Sara L. Ellis

ENTER:

FOR THE COURT



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Hon. Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 30th day of November 2021