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The United States District Court for the District of Oregon is pleased to announce the selection of two new magistrate judges.

On February 25, 2016, Ms. Jolie A. Russo will be appointed as a United States Magistrate Judge in Eugene, Oregon. Her appointment follows the retirement of the Honorable Thomas M. Coffin. Ms. Russo served as a Staff Attorney and Senior Staff Attorney for the District of Oregon from 1988 to present. Since 2004, she has been an Assistant Professor, Adjunct Faculty, for both the University of Oregon School of Law and Lewis and Clark Law School. Ms. Russo served 10 years as a Citizen Review Board Panel Chairperson for the Oregon Supreme Court. She is an active member of the U.S. District Court, District of Oregon, Local Rules Advisory Committee; the Federal Criminal Procedure and Practice Committee; and the Federal Bar Association, serving as the Immediate Past President (2014-2015); President (2013-2014); President Elect (2012-2013); Vice President (2011-2012); Secretary (2010-2011); and Director (2008-2010).

On March 1, 2016, the Honorable Youlee Yim You will be appointed as a United States Magistrate Judge in Portland, Oregon. Her appointment follows the retirement of the Honorable Janice M. Stewart. Judge You is a Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge, a position she has held since 2007. She previously served as a Senior Assistant Attorney General for the Oregon Department of Justice, Trial and Appellate Divisions from 2004 to 2007; a Death Penalty Staff Attorney for the United States District Court for the Central District of California from 1999 to 2004; a Deputy Bureau Chief/Senior Assistant District Attorney in Brooklyn, New York from 1994 to 1997; an Assistant Attorney General for the Oregon Department of Justice from 1992 to 1994; and, earlier in her career, as a Staff Attorney for the Metropolitan Public Defender in Portland, Oregon.

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The District covers the State of Oregon, with courthouses in Portland, Eugene, Medford, and Pendleton. The Court handles an average annual civil caseload of 2,400 pending civil cases, and a criminal caseload involving an average of 1,100 defendants per year. In addition, the Court is home to Reentry Court programs in Eugene, Medford, and Portland.

We believe that there are many routes to justice, and our goal is to map them all. Whether we are trying cases, facilitating alternative resolutions to disputes, or collaborating with federal, state and local government services to craft a comprehensive solution to a District-wide problem, our role as a Court is to provide equal and consistent access to justice.

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