

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

OCT 30 1989

MURRAY L. HARRIS, CLERK
BY DEPUTY Joy Gardner

**ORDER CONCERNING INTERIM MANAGEMENT OF CASES PENDING
APPOINTMENT OF NEW UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE**

United States Magistrate J. Michael Bradford has resigned, thus creating a vacancy for the position of full-time United States Magistrate in the Beaumont Division. The Court intends to fill the position promptly. In the interim, however, it is appropriate to devise a plan whereby Beaumont and Lufkin Division cases formerly assigned or referred to Magistrate Bradford will receive action by a judicial officer when necessary. It is therefore

ORDERED:

(1) United States Magistrate Earl S. Hines is authorized to act in all cases formerly assigned or referred to Magistrate Bradford until a new magistrate is appointed and enters onto duty.

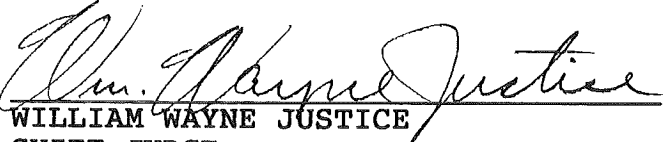
(2) New cases filed on or after November 3, 1989, which routinely are referred automatically to United States Magistrates under standing orders shall continue to be referred according to the procedures and percentages stated in the General Order Assigning Cases to United States Magistrates, No. 87-6, filed April 28, 1987; provided, however, that pending entry onto duty of a new magistrate, the Clerk shall defer formal references in those cases which would have been referred to Magistrate Bradford.

(3) All pleadings filed in existing and new cases which were or would have been assigned or referred to Magistrate Bradford

shall be routed to U. S. Magistrate Earl S. Hines for review and appropriate judicial action.

(4) Immediately after a new magistrate has been appointed and has entered on duty in the Beaumont division, all pending cases formerly assigned or referred to Magistrate Bradford, and all newly filed cases in which automatic reference to a magistrate has been deferred pursuant to paragraph 2, supra, shall be officially transferred to the new magistrate.

SIGNED this 30th day of October, 1989.


WILLIAM WAYNE JUSTICE
CHIEF JUDGE