

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT AND BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF IDAHO**

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE)
PLAN FOR THE RANDOM SELECTION)
OF GRAND AND PETIT JURORS)**

General Order 164

Pursuant to the Court Improvements Act of 2000, P.L. 106-518, the Chief Judge is permitted to authorize the Clerk of Court or designee(s), under the supervision of the court, to determine whether a person is unqualified for, or exempt, or to be excused from jury service.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the Clerk of Court, or designee, be delegated the authority to make the decision on juror qualifications pursuant to the Court Improvements Act of 2000.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT THE Court's Plan for the Random Selection of Grand and Petit Jurors, approved by the Court on August 12, 1999 in General Order 152, be amended in Section N, as follows:

"N. DETERMINATION OF QUALIFICATIONS, EXCUSES, AND EXEMPTIONS

The Court, **Clerk of Court or Designee(s)**, ~~upon their initiative, or upon recommendation of the Clerk,~~ shall determine solely on the basis of information provided on the juror qualification form and other competent evidence whether a person is unqualified for, or exempt, or to be excused from jury service. Only objective criteria may be used to determine if any person is unqualified for jury service or whether a basis exists for exempting or excusing any person from jury service. The Clerk shall enter such determination in the space provided on the juror qualification form and the alphabetical list of names drawn from the master jury wheel. If a person did not appear in response to a summons, such fact shall be noted on said list.

In making such determination, the Court, **Clerk of Court or Designee**, shall deem any person qualified to serve on grand and petit juries in the District Court unless he or she:..."

Dated this ____ day of January, 2001.

The Honorable B. Lynn Winmill
Chief District Court Judge