



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
500 POYDRAS STREET  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70130

September 18, 2024

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised that effective October 1, 2024, I intend to retire from regular active service as a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana under the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 371 (b)(1), having attained the age and met the service requirements of subsection (c) of that section. It has been an honor to serve as an active district judge for more than two decades and a magistrate judge for over a decade. I will continue to render substantial judicial service as a senior judge.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lance M. Africk", with a long, sweeping underline.

Lance M. Africk  
U.S. District Judge

cc: Honorable John G. Roberts, Jr., Chief Justice of the United States  
Honorable Priscilla Richman, Chief Judge of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Honorable Nannette Jolivet Brown, Chief Judge of the Eastern District of Louisiana  
Honorable Robert J. Conrad, Jr., Director of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts  
John S. Cooke, Director of the Federal Judicial Center  
Lorie A. Robinson, Circuit Executive of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Carol L. Michel, Clerk of Court of the Eastern District of Louisiana  
Joseph T. Phillips, Chief of the Judicial Services Office  
Carol S. Sefren, Chief of the Judges Compensation and Retirement Division