UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
at KNOXVILLE

The State of Tennessee, et al. ,
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Plaintiff(s),

v.

U.S. Department of Education, et al. ,
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Defendant(s).

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Case No. __3:21-CV-00308____

NOTICE OF CONSENT / NON-CONSENT TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE

      All parties to the above-captioned civil matter are **DIRECTED** to select one of the following two options and, as soon as practicable, file a <u>single joint copy</u> of this document on the Court's electronic case filing system.

☐   In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73, all parties to this action hereby **consent** to have a United States magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings in the above-captioned civil matter, including trial and entry of final judgment.

      Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c)(3), any appeal from a judgment of the presiding magistrate judge shall be taken to the United States Court of Appeals in the same manner as an appeal from any other judgment of the District Court.

☑   The parties **do not consent** to proceed before a magistrate judge.

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      Complete this section <u>only if all parties have consented to proceed before a magistrate judge</u>.

      If all parties to this action consent to proceed before a magistrate judge, each party must provide a representative signature below *(electronic signatures and signatures by permission are acceptable)*:

Parties' printed names   *Signature of parties/attorneys*   *Date*

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(If necessary, include all additional parties on a separate sheet.)

ORDER OF REFERRAL

This case is hereby **REFERRED** to a United States magistrate judge to conduct all proceedings and order the entry of a final judgment in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73.

SO ORDERED this _____ day of _____, _____.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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