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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
Third Judicial District Announces New Magistrate Judge**

The Third Judicial District Magistrates Commission is pleased to announce the appointment of Samuel Dickinson as Canyon County Magistrate Judge. Judge Dickinson was selected from 16 applicants, 4 of whom were interviewed by the Commission on March 11, 2025. Judge Dickinson is anticipated to assume his new role on April 8, 2025, filling the seat vacated by former Magistrate Judge Kerry Michaelson.

A native Idahoan, Judge Dickinson obtained his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Idaho College of Law and was admitted to the Idaho State Bar in 2016. Judge Dickinson brings an array of experience to the bench, having served as a deputy prosecuting attorney in Ada and Owyhee counties. Judge Dickinson later worked in Canyon County as a deputy public defender in 2021 before becoming a deputy prosecuting attorney in 2024.

“I am humbled and honored at the trust that the Magistrate Commission has shown me with this appointment. I look forward to being able to continue to serve the citizens of Canyon County,” says Judge Dickinson.

For more information or press inquiries, please contact the office of the Trial Court Administrator for the Third Judicial District.