

THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF THE UNITED STATES

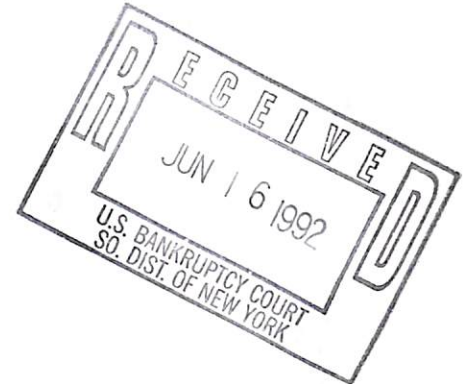
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June 12, 1992

Hon. Burton R. Lifland, Chief Judge
U.S. Bankruptcy Court
Sixth Floor, Room 625
One Bowling Green
New York, NY 10004-1408



Dear Judge Lifland:

Enclosed is a Consent to Assignment/Certificate of Need signed by Chief Judge Breyer and Chief Judge Oakes approving the temporary assignment of District of Maine Bankruptcy Judge James A. Goodman to sit in the Southern District of New York Bankruptcy Court for the period July 1, 1992 through September 30, 1992, on an intermittent basis, for the sole purpose of handling the proceedings in the Ames Department Stores, Inc. case.

By copy of this letter I am requesting the Clerks of the Court of Appeals and the Bankruptcy Court of the District of Maine to file the Order in their respective courts.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

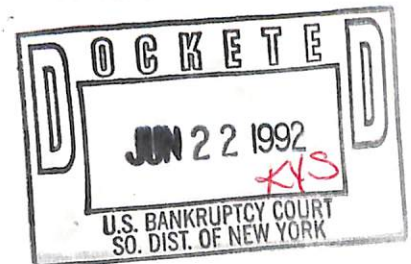
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steven Flanders".

Steven Flanders

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Attachment

cc: AO Personnel Division
Chief Judge Oakes
Chief Judge Breyer
Judge Goodman
Elaine B. Goldsmith, Clerk, USCA
Samuel A. Wilkinson, Clerk, District of Maine
✓Cecelia Lewis, Clerk, Southern District of NY



CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 6, Title 28, United States Code, I consent to the following designation and assignment:

Name and title of bankruptcy judge to be assigned James A. Goodman, Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Court from which assignment is to be made U.S. District Court District of Maine

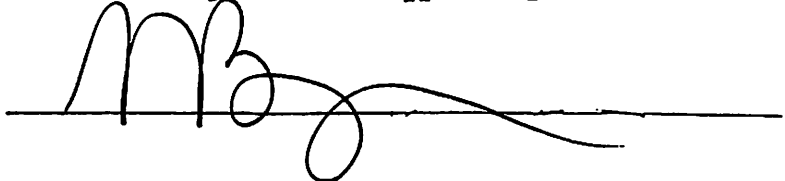
Court in which assignment is to be served U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

Period of assignment July 1, 1992 - September 30, 1992 (Intermittently). For the sole purpose of handling the proceedings in the Ames Department Stores, Inc. case (90-11233).

This assignment is limited to handling hearings regarding disclosure statements, confirmation of plans, settlement, fees, and other related matters.

It is further required that such hearings be held in Boston, Massachusetts.

I understand that Judicial Conference Guidelines prohibit the circuit lending the bankruptcy judge from concurrently borrowing a bankruptcy judge from another circuit during the term of this assignment, except as provided in the Judicial Conference Guidelines.



Dated May 27, 1992 First Circuit

CERTIFICATE OF NEED

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 6, Title 28, United States Code, I certify that a need exists for the assignment of a United States Bankruptcy Judge from another circuit to perform judicial duties in the following court:

Southern District of New York, from July 1, 1992

to September 30, 1992. I further certify that the aforementioned circuit will not concurrently lend a Bankruptcy Judge to another circuit during the term of this assignment, except as provided in the Judicial Conference Guidelines.

Dated June 2, 1992 James L. Oakes, Chief Judge
Second Circuit

A signed copy of this approval of assignment shall be sent to the chief judges of the lending circuit, district, and bankruptcy courts and to the Bankruptcy Division, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, Washington, DC 20544.