

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In Re: :
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Application for Exemption from the : General Order M- 343
Electronic Public Access Fees by Stuart :
Gilson. :
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This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Stuart Gilson (the "Applicant") for the extension of a prior exemption, granted by order dated July 25, 2006, from the fees imposed by the Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts.

The Court finds, based upon the attached letter from the Applicant, dated December 3, 2007, that the Applicant has demonstrated that the extension of the exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

Accordingly, the Applicant shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this Court, to the extent such use is incurred in connection with the project described in the attached letter. He shall not be exempt from the payment of fees incurred in connection with other uses of the PACER system in this Court.

Additionally, the following limitations apply:

1. This fee exemption applies only to the Applicant, and is valid only for the purposes stated above.
2. This fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this Court that are available through the PACER system;
3. By accepting this exemption, the Applicant agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption.
4. This exemption is valid from the date of this order through December 31, 2008.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the Court at any time. A copy of this Order shall be sent to the PACER Service Center.

Dated: New York, New York
December 13, 2007

/s/ *Stuart M. Bernstein*
STUART M. BERNSTEIN
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge



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December 3, 2007

Kathleen Farrell-Willoughby, Clerk of Court
United States Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of New York
One Bowling Green
New York, NY 10004-1408

Dear Ms. Farrell-Willoughby,

I am a professor at Harvard Business School and am conducting academic research on Section 363 asset sales and Section 364 Debtor-in-Possession loans in Chapter 11 cases. Last year the court generously granted me an academic exemption from the regular charge for accessing documents in the PACER database. This exemption was granted through December 31, 2007.

I am writing to request an extension to this exemption. The research is extremely labor intensive, requiring that I read through hundreds of court filings to manually collect information for my study. I have made excellent progress in building a database for my research, but more work has to be done before the analysis will be complete. (In academic scholarship, such manual collection of data from original sources to create unique datasets is often extremely time-consuming.)

I would be enormously appreciative if you could see fit to grant an extension. I have tried to use the PACER database responsibly, and my reliance on the database has been steady but not excessive. I would anticipate a similar level of activity going forward.

All documents and data that I obtain from PACER would be used for purely academic purposes in support of my research.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best regards,

Stuart Gilson (Professor)

