

United States Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of New York

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In the Matter of

General Order M-443

Holding Court outside of District in
the Aftermath of Hurricane Sandy
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WHEREAS, Hurricane Sandy has caused extraordinary damage and disruption in the New York City metropolitan area, including, but not limited to, widespread power and utility outages in New York City, extensive transportation problems created by closure of the New York City mass transportation systems, dislocation of New York City residents, and other related delays such as the inaccessibility of the United States Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan,

WHEREAS, it is currently unclear when the United States Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan will again be accessible,

WHEREAS, current transportation restrictions render it difficult and in some cases impossible for individuals to travel to the Courthouse,

WHEREAS due to these emergency conditions, no location within the district is reasonably available where the bankruptcy judges could hold court, it is hereby

ORDERED that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 152(c)(2), the Bankruptcy Judges of the Southern District of New York may hold hearings outside the judicial district as the nature of the business of the court may require until the Courthouse in Manhattan becomes accessible.

Dated: New York, New York
November 5, 2012



Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge