

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re: :
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ACCESS TO COURT ELECTRONIC RECORDS :
FOR INTERNS DURING THE COVID-19 : General Order M-549
PANDEMIC :
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WHEREAS, interns hired by the Judges of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (“Interns”) can access electronic court records by using Court computers which have access to the Public Access to Court Electronic Records (“PACER”) service;

WHEREAS, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Interns must generally work remotely and do not have access to the Court’s computers;

WHEREAS, the Court is authorized to exempt certain persons or classes of persons from the payment of PACER fees to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to provide the Interns with fee-exempt PACER accounts for the duration of their internships to allow them to view Court records and assist in the business of the Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that, during the COVID-19 pandemic in which Interns are working remotely, an Intern may obtain a fee-exempt PACER account for a period not to exceed the earlier of (i) the last day of his/her internship or (ii) four months from the activation of the account; and it is further

ORDERED that the Interns may only use the fee-exempt PACER accounts for activities relating to the work of the Court including to perform tasks assigned by the Judges and other chambers staff; and it is further

ORDERED that the Interns may not sell or transfer any data received from the fee-exempt PACER accounts unless authorized by the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that the fee exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that a copy of this ORDER shall be sent to the PACER Service Center.

Dated: May 13, 2020
New York, NY

/s/ Cecelia G. Morris
CECELIA G. MORRIS
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge