

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

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**In re:**

**Administrative Order 09-1**

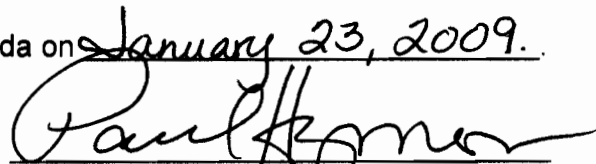
Waiver of Electronic Filing  
Requirement for Pro Bono Attorneys  
Representing Debtors

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Under Local Rule 5005-4, an attorney for a debtor filing a petition in this court is required to become a registered user on the CM/ECF system. The court has taken notice that there are attorneys who are not registered users in this court who are willing to provide pro bono representation to debtors and has determined that it would be in the interests of judicial efficiency to waive the electronic filing registration requirement for pro bono attorneys. Accordingly it is ordered that:

1. Any attorney who does not regularly appear in this bankruptcy court and who does not intend to file non pro bono bankruptcy petitions or other documents that might otherwise require the attorney to become a registered user may, when representing a debtor pro bono, seek waiver of the electronic filing requirement by filing the petition accompanied by the Local Form "Ex Parte Motion to Excuse Compliance with Local Rule 5005-4" and the Local Form "Order Granting Ex Parte Motion to Excuse Compliance with Local Rule 5005-4".
2. Waiver of the electronic filing requirement will be on a case by case basis and shall only apply to the case in which the order granting waiver was entered.
3. If applicable, the attorney shall also file the Local Form "Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice" required under Local Rule 2090-1(B)(2).
4. An attorney who is granted a waiver of the electronic filing requirement must otherwise comply with all Local Rules, including with respect to service of all papers and filing certificates of service.

**ORDERED** in the Southern District of Florida on January 23, 2009.

  
Paul G. Hyman, Chief Judge  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

c: All SD Bankruptcy Judges  
Clerk of Court, U.S. Bankruptcy Court  
Office of the U.S. Trustee