

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

In re:

Administrative Order No. 2020-6

SPECIAL PROCEDURES REGARDING
UNAVAILABILITY OF CM/ECF
ONLINE TRAINING ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Michigan will be upgrading the Case Management/Electronic Case Filing (CM/ECF) system to NextGen CM/ECF beginning on Thursday, November 19, 2020 and ending at 8:00 am on Monday, November 23, 2020;

WHEREAS an attorney wishing to become an electronic filer in this Court must complete online CM/ECF training in the Court's online training environment;

WHEREAS the upgrade to NextGen requires that the Court's online training environment be made unavailable prior to the upgrade beginning on Monday, October 19, 2020 at 8:00 am through 8:00 am on Monday, November 23, 2020;

WHEREAS Local Bankruptcy Rule 5005-1(a) and (b)(4) requires that documents be filed electronically with the Court unless a filer files with the document(s) a "Motion for Leave to File Over the Counter" that includes a clear statement why electronic filing is not feasible;

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The unavailability of the online training environment from October 19, 2020 to November 23, 2020 shall constitute a reason why electronic filing is not feasible pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 5005-1(b)(4) only for an attorney seeking to file a document in the Court

who has not previously filed a document in this Court and who has not obtained electronic filing privileges prior to October 19, 2020 (“Non-Electronic Filer”).

2. A Non-Electronic Filer who seeks to file a document between October 19, 2020 and November 23, 2020 must file with the document a Motion for Leave to File Over the Counter stating that the Non-Electronic Filer has not obtained electronic filing privileges prior to October 19, 2020, and that the online training environment is unavailable between October 19, 2020 and November 23, 2020. The Non-Electronic Filer must then complete the online training and obtain electronic filing privileges no later than Monday, December 7, 2020.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall be served on all CM/ECF Filing Users and posted on the Court’s website forthwith.

Dated: October 14, 2020

FOR THE COURT:



Scott W. Dales
Chief Judge