

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN**

IN RE:

CLERK'S AUTHORITY -
REDACTION OF PERSONAL
IDENTIFIERS

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) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 08-02
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Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9037(a) provides that neither an electronic nor paper filing made with the court may include:

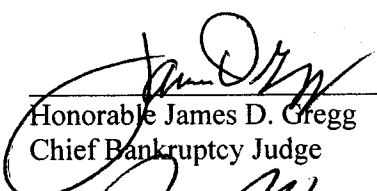
1. an individual's social security number or taxpayer identification number other than the last four digits;
2. an individual's birth date other than the year of the individual's birth;
3. the identification of an individual (except for the debtor) who is known to be or is identified as a minor other than by that individual's initials; or
4. a financial account number other than the last four digits.

Moreover, the Clerk from time to time during the performance of his duties may discover either electronic or paper filings that are in violation of Rule 9037(a).

Therefore, the Court orders that the authority given by LBR 5003(a) to the Clerk to sign orders and notices without further direction of the Court is expanded to include the authority to redact electronic or paper filings in violation of Rule 9037(a) so as to conform with that rule. However, the Clerk is under no duty to exercise this authority other than as the opportunity may present itself during the performance of his regular duties on behalf of the Court. Nor is the Clerk under any duty to in fact make the redaction even should the opportunity present itself.

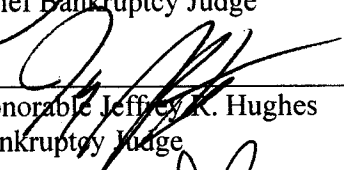
If, though, the Clerk does choose to exercise this authority, the redacted document shall replace the original document as the filing that appears for viewing in the Court's CM/ECF system. However, the Clerk shall still maintain with the Court's non-public records a paper copy of the original filing.

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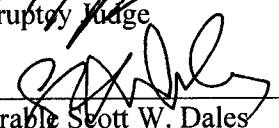
Honorable James D. Gregg
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

September 17, 2008



Honorable Jeffrey R. Hughes
Bankruptcy Judge

September 17, 2008



Honorable Scott W. Dales
Bankruptcy Judge