IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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GENERAL ORDER REGARDING REMOVALS OF BANKRUPTCY RELATED PROCEEDINGS FROM STATE COURT

Title 28, United States Code §1452 provides that a party may remove any claim or cause of action in a civil action related to bankruptcy cases other than a proceeding before the United States Tax Court, or a civil action by a governmental unit to enforce such governmental unit's police or regulatory power to the district court in the district where such civil action is pending, if such district court has jurisdiction of such claim or cause of action under §1334 of Title 28. This court has required that all bankruptcy related matters removed from a state court be filed in the U. S. District Court Clerk's office and assigned to a U. S. District Judge. After filing, these cases have been referred to the bankruptcy judges of this district. Since the bankruptcy court is a unit of the district court and in the interest of justice and economy,

IT IS ORDERED that effective immediately, removal of claims related to bankruptcy cases shall be filed in the bankruptcy unit of the district court as adversary proceedings and assigned directly to a bankruptcy judge of this district.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the bankruptcy judge to whom the case is assigned shall make a determination whether the proceedings are core or non-core proceedings and upon conclusion, to either enter a final order or enter recommended findings to be submitted to the district court for review.

SIGNED and ENTERED this the 27th day of June, 1986 at 8:45 a.m. by WILLIAM S. SESSIONS, CHIEF JUDGE.

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