

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR
THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

NOTICE

ON JULY 9, 2007, the judges of the United States District Court, determining that there is an immediate need to address problems engendered by an Internet website which uses publicly available information to identify and publicize individuals suspected of cooperating with law enforcement agents appearing on the docket as accessed through the court's CM/ECF system,

RESOLVED to approve the following protocol for adoption:

1. All documents on the ECF System related to pleas and sentencing and orders relating to these documents, will be designated on the docket as *Plea Documents*, *Sentencing Documents* and *Judicial Documents* respectively, no matter their content.
2. All documents not under seal shall remain available for inspection by the public in the Office of the Clerk as heretofore.
3. Passwords will be provided to all appropriate parties such as judges, law clerks, the Government, specific defense counsel involved in the filing, Probation, and where necessary, personnel at the Court of Appeals, so as to provide electronic access to all documents, not under seal and related to pleas and sentencing and orders related to those documents.

In accordance with the Resolution approved by the judges of this Court on July 9, 2007, the above protocol applies to all criminal cases filed in this district on or after September 1, 2007.

FOR THE COURT:



HARVEY BARTLE III
Chief Judge