UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

AMENDED STANDING ORDER NO. 3

USE AND FILING OF MODEL FEE AGREEMENT IN CHAPTER 13

The Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of Illinois, having adopted a model "Rights and Responsibilities Agreement between Chapter 13 Debtors and their Attorneys" (the "Model Retention Agreement"), together with a form application for compensation pursuant to the Model Retention Agreement, copies of which documents are available in the office of the Clerk of the Court, and which are published on the Court's website - www.ilnb.uscourts.gov, (Forms and Orders, Chapter 13 Forms).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT requests for awards of compensation of debtors' attorneys in Chapter 13 cases, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(4)(B), will be allowed without submission of an itemization of services rendered, provided that:

- 1. The Application for award of compensation is set forth on the form adopted by the Court for that purpose, stating that the Model Retention Agreement has been entered into and providing for a fee specified up to the maximum approved for use of the Agreement.
- 2. In cases filed under the bankruptcy amendments effective October 17, 2005, the compensation sought does not exceed \$3500 for services rendered through the entire case.
- 3. ATTORNEYS SEEKING COMPENSATION THROUGH USE OF MODEL RETENTION AGREEMENT WILL ATTACH COPIES OF THEIR SIGNED AGREEMENTS TO SUCH FEE APPLICATION OR FILE SAME WITH THE CLERK SEPARATELY.
- 4. There is no authority for a Model Retention Agreement that purports to be signed by the Debtors electronically. Any such Model Retention Agreement will be stricken for failure to comply with this Standing Order. The filed copy of Model Retention Agreement must bear Debtor's actual signature.

ENTERED

Jack B. Schmetterer

United States Bankruptcy Judge