

THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF THE UNITED STATES

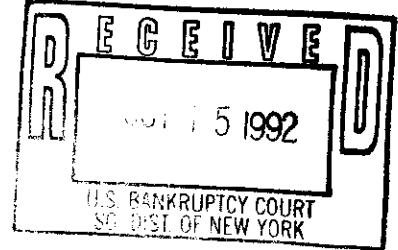
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October 13, 1992

Hon. Burton R. Lifland
United States Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of New York
One Bowling Green
New York, NY 10004



Dear Judge Lifland:

Enclosed is a Consent to Assignment/Certificate of Need signed by Chief Judge Breyer and Chief Judge Meskill approving the temporary assignment of District of Maine Bankruptcy Judge James A. Goodman to sit in the Southern District of New York Bankruptcy Court for the period September 30, 1992 on an intermittent basis, and for such time thereafter as may be needed for the sole purpose of handling the proceedings in the Ames Department Stores, Inc. case (90-11233). Hearings in the noted proceeding shall be held in Boston, Massachusetts or in New York, New York.

By copy of this letter I am requesting the Clerks of the Court of Appeals and the Bankruptcy Court of the District of Maine to file the Order in their respective courts.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

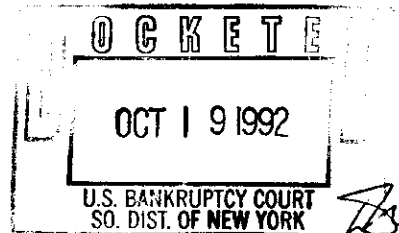
Sincerely,

Steven Flanders
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Attachment

cc: AO Personnel Division
Chief Judge Meskill
Chief Judge Breyer
Judge Goodman
Elaine B. Goldsmith, Clerk
2nd Circuit Court of Appeals
Samuel A. Wilkinson, Clerk,
District of Maine
✓ Cecelia Lewis, Clerk, SNYB



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**INTERCIRCUIT ASSIGNMENT OF
A UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE**


CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 6, Title 28, United States Code, I consent to the following designation and assignment:

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| Name and title of bankruptcy judge to be assigned | <u>James A. Goodman, Chief Bankruptcy Judge</u> |
| Court from which assignment is to be made | <u>U.S. District Court, District of Maine</u> |
| Court in which assignment is to be served | <u>U.S.D.C., Southern District of N.Y.</u> |
| Period of assignment | <u>For the sole purpose of handling the proceedings in the Ames Department Store case (90-11233), from September 30, 1992 until the Ames case is concluded.</u> |

This assignment is limited to handling matters related to orders previously entered by the Court and matters regarding disclosure statement and plan confirmation issues, including, without limitation, approval of plan related settlements, plan related litigation (e.g., objections to or estimation of claims, valuation of security interests, temporary allowance of claims for voting purposes, and assumption of unexpired leases and executory contracts at the confirmation hearing), motions regarding the exclusivity period to solicit acceptances of a plan of reorganization, entry of orders in aid of consummation of a plan, motions under Sections 364 and 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code, and approval of fee applications. It is further required that such hearings be held in Boston, Massachusetts or New York, New York, as the judge in his sole discretion deems appropriate.

I understand that Judicial Conference Guidelines prohibit the circuit lending the bankruptcy judge from concurrently borrowing a bankruptcy judge from another circuit during the term of this assignment, except as provided in the Judicial Conference Guidelines.



Dated: 9/29/92

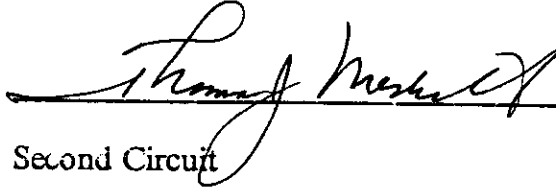
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CERTIFICATE OF NEED

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 6, Title 28, United States code, I certify that a need exists for the assignment of a United State Bankruptcy Judge from another circuit to perform judicial duties in the following court: Southern District of New York, from September 30, 1992 until the Ames case is concluded. I further certify that the aforementioned circuit will not concurrently lend a Bankruptcy Judge to another circuit during the term of this assignment, except as provided in the Judicial Conference Guidelines.

Dated:

Oct 1, 1992


_____, Chief Judge
Second Circuit

A signed copy of this approval of assignment shall be sent to the chief judges of the lending circuit, district, and bankruptcy courts and to the Bankruptcy Division, Administrative Office of the United States courts, Washington, D.C. 20544.