Changes Resulting from the USBC NDNY Upgrade to CM/ECF Version 3.0
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Beginning on September 18, 2006, the Court will be running CM/ECF Version 3.0. The upgrade will result in numerous small enhancements and modifications to the system. The information that follows describes some of the more significant changes that you'll encounter.

Bankruptcy<>Open a BK Case

• The "Search for a Party" screen has been renamed "Search for a Debtor" and it now includes search fields for `First Name` and `Middle Name`.

• For individual and joint filings, it will no longer be necessary to select the role of `Debtor` when entering your client's name and address on the "Debtor Information" screen.

• The "Debtor Information" screen now allows for the selection or addition of a "Corporate parent" if one is applicable with respect to new corporate filings. In addition, warning messages will now display if certain fields are left blank.

• The "Type of debtor" check boxes (`individual`, `corporation`, `partnership`, etc.) on the statistical screen have been changed to radio buttons. This eliminates the ability to select more than one category of debtor type in any given case.

• A new "Type of debtor" called "Nonprofit Organization" has been added.

Adversary<>Open an AP Case

• When filing a new adversary proceeding, the attorney for the plaintiff may now select multiple natures of suit. There are now two fields. The primary nature of suit should be selected in the first field. Additional (multiple) natures of suit (if applicable) can be selected from the second field by holding the "control" key down when making the selections. The Court asks that if you are filing a 727 complaint (Obj/Revocation Discharge) that *it* be selected as the primary relief (where secondary reliefs exist)

• The entry on the lead case docket that results from the filing of a new adversary proceeding will now reference the new adversary proceeding case number.

Bankruptcy<>Open an INVOL Case

• There is a new sub-menu choice available on the Bankruptcy main menu called "Open an Invol Case." As a result, the "voluntary/involuntary" selection field has been removed from the "Open a BK Case" statistical screen.

Bankruptcy<>Creditor Maintenance and Bankruptcy<>File Claims

- When adding individual creditors, the individual "name" and "address lines 1-5" have been replaced by one large box, into which the entire address(es) can be typed or pasted. (Although each line in the box is 50 characters long, only 40 characters of address data per line may be entered.)

Bankruptcy<>File Claims

- The final receipt screen that displays at the end of the claims filing process ("Notice of Electronic Claims Filing") now includes hyperlinks to the Claims Register and for filing another claim.

- The Claims Register Report now includes silver ball links to the "Notice of Electronic Claims Filing" for each claim listed.

Bankruptcy<>Motions/Applications and Adversary<>Motions

- The final docket text of multi-part motions now displays the reliefs requested in the order in which they were selected (rather than alphabetically). The final text also provides for the insertion of connecting phrases between each relief - such as "*in addition to*" or "*in the alternative*".

Query

- The Query menu now includes additional selections for "Claims Register" and "Creditor Mailing Matrix"

Reports<>Docket Activity

- Attorneys and participants now have the option of running a "Docket Activity Report" from the "Reports" menu. This feature allows the user to select certain criteria and then generate a list of activity in cases in which they're involved over a specific date range. The report can be sorted by `Date/Time`, `Case Number` or both.