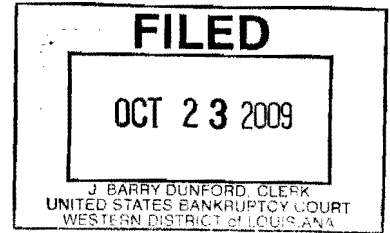


**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**IN RE: NOTICE TO AND SERVICE UPON
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**



**STANDING ORDER
REPEALING ALL PRIOR ORDERS**

The United States Bankruptcy Judges of the Western District of Louisiana make the following findings of fact and Order accordingly:

1.

On March 16, 1992, an Order was entered by Stephen V. Callaway, Chief Bankruptcy Judge; Henley A. Hunter, United States Bankruptcy Judge, and Louis M. Philips, United States Bankruptcy Judge, sitting by designation, regarding the requirements for notice to and service upon the United States and its officers or agencies, as set forth in Local Rule 2.6 of the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Louisiana. That order provided:

“The addresses shown in Part II may, from time to time, be changed by the United States requesting that this Order be amended. The request shall be made by written motion filed with the Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, and the motion shall include as an exhibit the complete, amended General Order in order to eliminate references to prior versions of this General Order. The Chief Bankruptcy Judge is authorized to sign the amended general order without further concurrence.”

2.

The March 16, 1992, order was amended by an Order signed May 1, 1992, signed by Chief Judge Stephen V. Callaway. Further revisions and amendments of the Order were made by Orders dated January 19, 1995, December 3, 2004, and June 9, 2005, which Orders amended Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-3, Section I, the successor to prior Local Rule 2.6.

3.

The foregoing Orders noted that under Bankruptcy Rule 9029 and Rule 83 of the Federal Rule of Civil Procedure, the Bankruptcy Judges of this District have the power to make Local Rules of Practice and procedure which are not inconsistent with the Bankruptcy Rules prescribed by the U.S. Supreme Court. The United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana by

former Uniform District Rule 22.01, and by L.B.R. 9029-3, incorporating Local Civil Rule LR 83.4.1 *et seq.*, have referred all of the powers that can be delegated to them pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §157, and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-2 as originally promulgated was approved by the Circuit Conference of the Interim Local Bankruptcy Rules as adopted January 1, 1989.

4.

Similarly, the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court maintains an official website: <http://www.lawb.uscourts.gov>, which is operated and maintained pursuant to the E-Government Act of 2002, Section 205(a), requiring the Chief Justice of the United States and chief judges of each circuit, district and bankruptcy court, by April 16, 2005, to establish and maintain a website that provides the public with access to certain information, particularly the local rules and standing or general orders of the court, and, any other information (including forms in a format that can be downloaded) that the court determines useful to the public.

5.

The Court concludes that accurate information regarding Service on the United States of America or any Federal Agency is useful to the public, the Bench and the Bar, and has heretofore adopted a number of revisions to LBR 2002-3, Section I, on Motion of the United States of America, filed by Mr. Robert Thrall, Assistant United States Attorney. Further, as noted, the Chief Judge has been authorized to sign an Amended Order revising the Rule without the concurrence of the other judges. At this time, there are no less than three versions of the Order posted to the Court's website. The bankruptcy judges conclude that the various postings should be eliminated and that the duty of maintaining an updated list on the website should be delegated to the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court¹.

6.

Accordingly, the Court further directs the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court to maintain on the website a section entitled "Notice and Service Information for the United States of America and Its

¹Similar authorizations have been granted to the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court by Orders of the Court Regarding Electronic Case Filing dated April 7, 2002, as amended June 23, 2003, and October 10, 2004, referencing revisions to a document styled ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES FOR FILING, SIGNING AND VERIFYING PLEADINGS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS, and, as noted in the October 10, 2004, Order, for the publication of changes to the GUIDE TO PRACTICE without specific authorization from the Court.

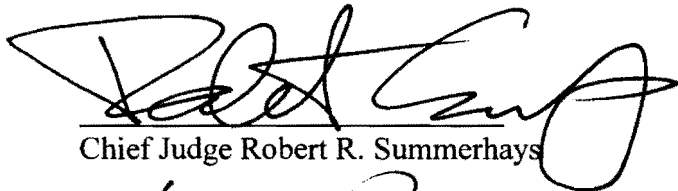
Agencies, pursuant to Standing Order of the Court,” referencing the date of this Order, attaching the most recent list provided by the United States of America. On the filing of a Motion to Change Addresses for Notice to and Service Upon the United States of America (“Motion”) filed by Mr. Thrall, or his successor, attaching a list as an Exhibit, the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court is directed to post the Exhibit forthwith, indicating on the website the date of the amendment in the following fashion, without further order of this Court:

“Notice and Service Information for the United States of America and Its Agencies, as amended [DATE]”

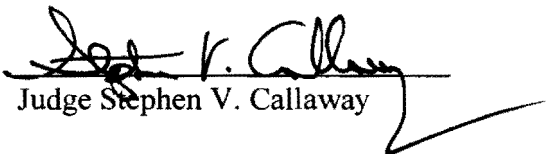
On the effective date of this Order, all prior versions of this Order are hereby REPEALED, and the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court shall cause all references to the prior Orders regarding the Notice and Service on the United States listed on the website to be removed from view. Any requests for clarification of this Order may be addressed by the Chief Judge without further authorization.

This Order becomes effective on the 30th day of October, 2009.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED this 23rd day of October 2009.


Chief Judge Robert R. Summerhays


Judge Henley A. Hunter


Judge Stephen V. Callaway

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