

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

**NOTICE CONCERNING REQUESTS FOR EXEMPTION FROM PAYMENT OF FEES  
FOR ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO COURT RECORDS**

February 26, 2004

The Judicial Conference, at its September 2003 session, amended the language of Item (I) of the Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule<sup>1</sup> for the appellate, district, and bankruptcy courts, the United States Court of Federal Claims, and the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (adopted by the Judicial Conference pursuant to sections 1913, 1914, 1926, 1930, and 1932 of title 28, United States Code). The amendment specifies the individuals and groups whom courts may exempt, upon a showing of cause, including indigents, bankruptcy case trustees, individual researchers associated with educational institutions, courts, section 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organizations, and pro bono ADR neutrals from payment of the fees. The amendment also modifies the policy notes to the fee schedule to emphasize that courts should not exempt individuals who are not members of the specified groups and dictates that an exemption applies only to access for the specific case or purpose for which it was given.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that consistent with Judicial Conference policy, bankruptcy case trustees and court assigned Resolution Advocates under the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Program may request an exemption from payment of electronic public access fees.

Requests for exemption from payment of electronic public access fees shall be made by written motion using the court approved [\*Motion for Exemption from Payment of Electronic Public Access Fees Prescribed By Item \(I\) of the Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule\*](#) (EDC 3-960 (Rev. 1/23/04)) or similar document that substantially complies with the court approved form. Please refer to the [\*Guidelines Pertaining to Requests for Exemption from Electronic Public Access Fees\*](#) (Effective January 23, 2004) for additional information. Motions and any supporting documents, together with a proposed [\*Order Granting Exemption From Payment of the Electronic Public Access Fees Prescribed By Item \(I\) of the Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule\*](#) (EDC 6-960 (Rev. 1/23/04)), should be directed to *Richard G. Heltzel, Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Attention: EPA Fee Exemption Request, 501 I Street, Suite 3-200, Sacramento, CA 95814.*

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Pursuant to Item (I) of the [Electronic Public Access Miscellaneous Fee Schedule](#), the fee for electronic access to court data via a federal judiciary Internet site is \$.07 per page and applies to court data viewed remotely from the public records of individual cases in the court, including filed documents and the docket.