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 United States Bankruptcy Court
 Columbia, South Carolina (12)

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
 FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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 ASSIGNMENT OF CASES)
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I.

Beginning September 1, 2000, cases which are filed under Title 11 of the United States Code on and after that date are to be assigned by the clerk as follows:

1. Columbia Division

All Chapter 7 cases	Judge John E. Waites
One-half Chapter 11 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop
One-half Chapter 11 cases	Judge John E. Waites
One-half Chapter 12 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop
One-half Chapter 12 cases	Judge John E. Waites
One-half Chapter 13 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop
One-half Chapter 13 cases	Judge John E. Waites

2. Charleston Division:

All Chapter 7 cases	Judge John E. Waites
One-half Chapter 11 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop
One-half Chapter 11 cases	Judge John E. Waites

¹ This order supersedes Operating Order 98-3, filed August 6, 1998.

All Chapter 12 cases	Judge John E. Waites
All Chapter 13 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop

3. Spartanburg Division:

All Chapter 7 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop
One-half Chapter 11 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop
One-half Chapter 11 cases	John E. Waites
All Chapter 12 cases	Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop
All Chapter 13 cases	Judge John E. Waites

4. A case in which Judge Wm. Thurmond Bishop has a conflict is to be assigned to Judge John E. Waites.

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III.

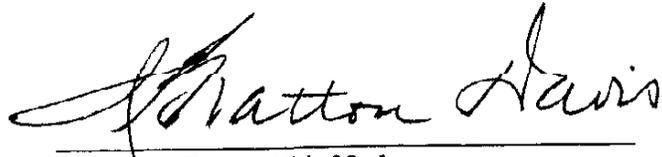
In all divisions, a case converted from Chapter 11 to Chapter 7 shall remain with the originally assigned judge.

IV.

In his discretion, for the effective administration of a case, any one of the undersigned judges may take such action as he deems appropriate in that case, regardless of the case assignment.

v.

The basic consideration of this case assignment system is the equitable distribution of the caseload and the avoidance of judge shopping; therefore, this order will be reviewed annually so that equalizing adjustments to the assignment of cases may be made, if necessary, on the basis of the most recent case filing statistical data.



J. Bratton Davis, Chief Judge



Wm. Thurmond Bishop, Judge



John E. Waites, Judge

Columbia, South Carolina

July 17, 2000.