

Accessing the Bankruptcy Court Wireless Network

Connecting to the Court's Wireless Access Points

- Using the wireless network software on your laptop computer, use the applicable option to search for wireless networks.
- In the Columbia courthouse, there are three wireless access points named **chb** (located in the basement area) **ch2** (located on the second floor) and **ch3** (located on the third floor). If your wireless network software “sees” these access points, then select whichever one of these access points is delivering the strongest signal as the wireless network you wish to connect to. There is a single access point in the Charleston location named **ch2**, and also in the Spartanburg courthouse, named **ch1**.
- Your laptop's wireless software should inform you if it has successfully connected to the specified wireless network.
- The first time you access one of the court's wireless access points, you should be able to designate it as a “preferred” network connection and you may not need to repeat the steps above for subsequent wireless connections to each access point. For subsequent connections, your laptop may be able to automatically connect to the appropriate access point as soon as you are in acceptable range.

Accessing the Internet

- After you have successfully connected to the court's access point, launch your browser.
- The first time you establish a browser session through the court's wireless access point you will see the following log in screen displayed in your browser.

Warning!

You are connecting to an unsecured network provided for the benefit of the Bar. It is the sole responsibility of the owner/user to provide anti-virus protection, and to configure your equipment to provide the appropriate security settings to control access from other wireless devices within the building and the Internet itself. The U.S. Bankruptcy Court is not responsible for damages incurred for incorrect, insufficient or incomplete security settings; or lack of adequate or up-to-date virus protection. Use of this network is at your own risk.

By entering the court provided login and password you acknowledge and accept these terms.

Username:

Password:

- Enter the appropriate username in the username field.
- Enter the appropriate password in the password field.
- Click OK.
- You will see a security and usage advisory message pop up in separate window. This window may pop up behind your original browser session.



- **After you have read the security and disclaimer information**, scroll down to the bottom of this advisory window and click **Done**.
- If you see an "**Authentication Failed**" or "**Authentication Expired**" message in the pop-up window, Click **Done** and you will be prompted to go back to the original login screen and enter the username and password again. (This step may or may not occur).
- You should see the pop-up window again displaying the security and disclaimer information. Again, scroll down and "**Authentication Successful**" **should be displayed**, click **Done**. At that point you are online and will be connected to whatever web site you were trying to originally access. You should be able to access the Internet freely at this point. The login you executed above should allow for uninterrupted Internet activity for approximately 4 hours; if you are connected for longer than this you may be prompted for the login and password again.

Wireless Security

The US Bankruptcy Court for the District of South Carolina is not a secured wireless network. The user will be responsible for taking the appropriate precautions for securing any such mobile device when using the courts wireless network. The court highly

recommends the use of anti-virus and firewall software while using the courts wireless network.