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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

IN THE MATTER OF REFERRALS §
 § GENERAL ORDER NO. 2002 -2
TO THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGES §

ORDER

All bankruptcy cases and all proceedings arising under Title 11 or arising in or related to a case under Title 11 -- except matters on appeal -- are referred to the bankruptcy judges of this district, including matters that were pending on June 27, 1984, and all matters filed in the future.

The bankruptcy judges of the Southern District of Texas may exercise the authority conferred on them by the law under orders of reference in matters before them.

Personal-injury tort and wrongful-death claims must be tried in the district court. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 157 (b) (5).

This supersedes an Order on this subject entered August 8, 1984, and also supersedes General Order No. 2001-12, dated November 30, 2001.

DONE at Laredo, Texas, this 11th of March, 2002.

George P. Kazen
Chief United States District Judge