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Southern District of Texas
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In the Matter of §
§
Referrals to Bankruptcy Judges §

General Order 2005-6

General Order of Reference

1. Bankruptcy cases and proceedings arising under Title 11 or arising in or related to a case under Title 11 of the United States Code are automatically referred to the bankruptcy judges of this district; except:

   A. Civil actions pending before the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas before a related bankruptcy petition is filed. With respect to these:

      (1) The automatic stay applies until it is modified by an order; and

      (2) The district judge may refer these to the bankruptcy court.

   B. Civil actions, bankruptcy cases and proceedings specifically withdrawn from the general reference to the bankruptcy court.

   C. Appeals from the bankruptcy court.

2. In civil actions, bankruptcy cases and proceedings referred to them, the bankruptcy judges may exercise the full authority allowed them by law.

3. Cases related to a bankruptcy may be *removed* only from state court to the United States District Court and not from other federal courts..

4. This order supersedes General Order 2002-2.

Signed at Corpus Christi, Texas, March 10, 2005.

H. W. Head, Jr., Chief Judge
United States District Court