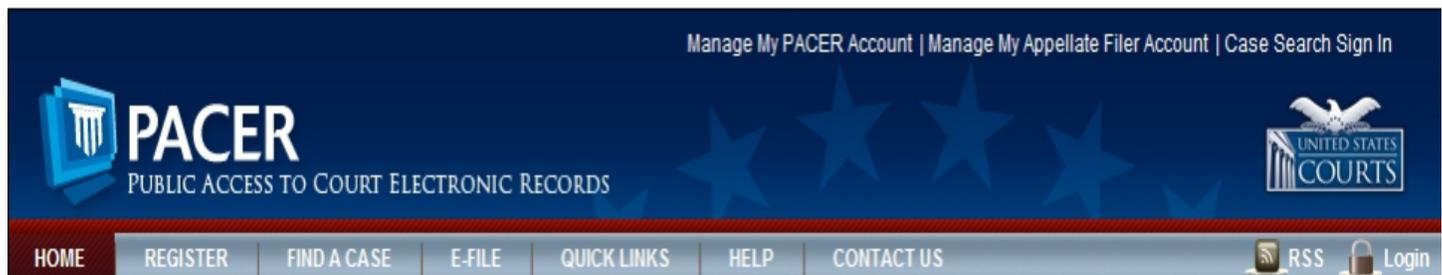

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Quarterly Announcements

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New PACER Service Center Site!



The PACER Service Center website - www.pacer.gov - has been re-launched with an improved look and feel. Visitors will find all of the popular features from the old site - links to courts, account maintenance and registration services - presented in a much more user-friendly manner. The site is designed to help novice users learn how to access federal court records on-line as well as allow expert users to find the information they need about PACER easily. Please visit the new site and provide feedback through the "Contact Us" option on the main navigation bar as shown above. The Federal Judiciary website - www.uscourts.gov - has also been re-launched. Please visit the new site to see the enhancements.

Expanded PACER Fee Waiver!

- ◆ In March 2010, the Judicial Conference of the United States approved reducing the costs for many users of the PACER system. The Electronic Public Access fee schedule has been adjusted so PACER usage of less than \$10 in a quarterly billing cycle is waived, in effect quadrupling the amount of data available without charge. Previously, usage under \$10 in a calendar year was waived.
- ◆ All users of PACER will receive a Quarterly Statement/Invoice indicating the amount of quarterly charges and amount waived (if under \$10).
- ◆ Users registered for paperless statements will receive an emailed notice of billing. The email contains the account balance, payment due date and a link to view the Quarterly Statement/Invoice.

Password Changes

To prevent the unauthorized use of PACER accounts, the PACER Service Center recommends changing passwords every 90 days. It is possible to change passwords at www.pacer.gov. Select "Manage My PACER Account." After logging in, select "Change Password."

Questions or Comments regarding information in the announcement? Email pacer@psc.uscourts.gov or call (800) 676-6856.

Upcoming Functionality in the BK CM/ECF Application

Bankruptcy version 4 was released in late Spring 2010. Highlighted features of version 4 are:

- ◆ A query by name will return information such as case number, case title, chapter, date filed, party role and date closed (if applicable) in addition to the party name.
- ◆ An RSS (Really Simple Syndication) feed will provide users with the ability to subscribe to notifications of case activity that include links to docket sheets and documents.
- ◆ Password security has been improved. All e-filing passwords must be a minimum of 8 characters, and must include both upper- and lower-case alphabetic characters and at least one digit or special character [e.g., 0-9, @, #, \$, %, &, *, +, :]. E-filers will be prompted to change their password if the current password does not meet these specifications.
- ◆ Internet Explorer 8 and Firefox 3 are fully compatible.
- ◆ E-filers that choose to receive a daily summary report may sort the summary by case number, docket event, chapter or office.

For a complete listing of changes, see “CM/ECF Release Notes” under “What’s New with PACER” at www.pacer.gov.



General Information

The PACER Service Center hours of operation are 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM Central time, Monday through Friday. The service center is closed for Federal holidays including September 6 for Labor Day, October 11 for Columbus Day, November 11 for Veteran’s Day, November 25 for Thanksgiving, and December 24 for Christmas during 2010.

PACER Case Locator

We appreciate the many comments and suggestions received since launching the PACER Case Locator in March 2010. The new PACER Case Locator allows users to search for court records in all district, bankruptcy, and appellate courts and replaces the U.S. Party/Case Index to provide enhanced search and display capabilities including the ability to:

- request lists of cases for a specified date range by court type;
- conduct searches based on chapter, discharge date and dismissal date for bankruptcy cases;
- access case information for the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation;
- choose result formats, including HTML, delimited text, and XML which can be easily imported to other programs for analysis;
- change the sort order of the results displayed; and
- conduct refined searches within the results of a previous search.

Visit the Case Locator at <http://pcl.uscourts.gov>. The U.S. Party/Case Index will be available for a few more months to allow time to become familiar with the capabilities of the new Case Locator. Note that the systems will provide the same results for identical searches.

Billing Information

- ◆ The PACER Service Center accepts Discover, VISA, MasterCard, and American Express. Login to “Manage My PACER Account” at www.pacer.gov to pay by credit card.
- ◆ The PACER Service Center’s Federal Tax ID Number is 74-2747938.
- ◆ A fee of \$45 will be assessed if a check is returned for insufficient funds.
- ◆ Receipts for the most recent payment made to a PACER account can be accessed online. Login to “Manage My PACER Account” at www.pacer.gov then select “Check Balance.”
- ◆ Accounts with credit cards on file will be autobilled up to 7 days prior to the due date.