IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA G.O.A. #85-5

## ORDER REGARDING ASSIGNMENT OF CASES

WHEREAS, there is a need to bring about an equal assignment of cases to the bankruptcy judges in the Western District of Pennsylvania and;

WHEREAS, such equal assignment of cases cannot be accomplished by the realignment of Counties to the Erie or Pittsburgh divisions of the court, and

WHEREAS, it is more practical, feasible, and productive to have a case assignment procedure which reflects the current judicial manpower of this Court

NOW THEREFORE, this day of April, 1985, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that effective April 15, 1985:

(1) all cases hereafter filed in the Pittsburgh Division of this Court shall be assigned to all bankruptcy judges in the Western District of Pennsylvania as soon as they are filed, or as soon as practicable, in the following manner:

(a) The Intake Section shall pull a card from the appropriate pack marked chapter 7, chapter 11, or chapter 13, which consists of 100 cards for each chapter, sealed on three sides, which will be marked Judge A, Judge B, or Judge C. The 100 cards shall consist of 35 cards for Judge A, 35 cards for Judge B, and 30 cards for Judge C. The case number will be placed on the card after it has been drawn and kept in a safe place in the Clerk's Office. The Intake Clerk will also mark the assignment in the assignment book, indicating the case number, debtor's name, and the date filed. Unless amended by further order of court, it is understood that all cards with the letter A

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represent cases to be assigned to Judge Gibson, all those marked with the letter B represent cases to be assigned to Judge Cosetti, and all cards marked with the letter C represent cases to be assigned to Judge Bentz.

(b) When all 100 cards have been selected, a new pack also containing 35 cards for Judge A, 35 cards for Judge B, and 30 cards for Judge C will be started.

(c) Judge Bentz shall be given credit for each case assigned to him in the Erie Division. The Erie Division of the Clerk's Office shall call the Pittsburgh Division of the Clerk's Office each time a new case is filed and report the case number and the chapter the case is being filed under.

(d) Judge Bentz shall only be assigned Pittsburgh Division cases for the counties of Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Greene, Lawrence and Washington. If Judge Bentz's card is drawn for any other county in the Pittsburgh Division, that case shall be reassigned to another Judge by drawing a new card. The judge receiving this case shall be given credit by assigning his next case under the same chapter to Judge Bentz.

(e) Case credit shall be given to any Judge receiving a related case, or a reassigned case.

Gerald K. Gibson Bankruptcy Judge

Joseph L. Cosetti

Bankruptcy Judge

a Warren W. Bentz

Bankruptcy Judge