

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

In Re:

General Order 97-5

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Court Security

ORDER

AND NOW, this 25th day of December, 1997, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that any person entering the United States Bankruptcy Court is prohibited to enter with concealed weapons, ie, firearms, mace, knives, stun guns, or other instruments considered weapons.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all types of cameras, recording devices, and two-way radios are not permitted without prior approval.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania shall provide for the inspection of packages, portable phones, pagers, computers and other electronic devices in the custody of any person entering or leaving the United States Bankruptcy Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any person seeking entry to the United States Bankruptcy Court shall enter through the security equipment there installed. Should the equipment be activated by the sounding of an alarm or meter reading, said person shall be denied entry to the United States Bankruptcy Court until said person satisfactorily clears the security equipment and security personnel.

Be advised that 18 U.S. Code Section 1507 states as follows:

“Whoever, with the intent of interfering with, obstructing, or impeding the administration of justice, or with the intent of influencing any judge, juror, witness, or court officer, in the discharge of his duty, pickets or parades in or near a building housing a court of the United States, or in or near a building or residence occupied or used by such judge, juror, witness, or court officer, or with such intent uses any sound-truck or similar device or resorts to any other demonstration in or near any such building or residence, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

Nothing in this section shall interfere with or prevent the exercise by any court of the United States of its power to punish for contempt.”

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any confiscated weapon left unclaimed after thirty (30) days will be destroyed by the United States Marshals Service.

/S/ Bernard Markovitz
Bernard Markovitz, Chief Judge

/S/ Warren W. Bentz
Warren W. Bentz, Bankruptcy Judge

/S/ Judith K. Fitzgerald
Judith K. Fitzgerald, Bankruptcy Judge

/S/ M. Bruce McCullough
M. Bruce McCullough, Bankruptcy Judge

/S/ Joseph L. Cosetti
Joseph L. Cosetti, Bankruptcy Judge