UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

In re

GENERAL ORDER 12-01

GENERAL ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FROM ELECTRONIC PUBLIC ACCESS (PACER) FEES

On this day the Court considered a letter received May 7, 2012, from Neale Mahoney, Post-doctoral student in health policy and Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Doctoral candidate in economics, of The Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research Program at Harvard University, requesting exemption from the fees for Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER), as imposed by the Electronic Public Access fee schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts.

The Public Access and Records Management Division of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts has expressed concerns about the overly broad nature of such request for exemption from PACER fees and the Court has determined that such request should be denied subject to further review and direction from the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the request of Neale Mahoney and Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, of The Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research Program at Harvard University, for an exemption from the payment of PACER fees for access to the electronic case files maintained in this Court is hereby denied.

ENTERED: MAY 1 1 2012

RÓNALD G. PEARSON, JUDGE