

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA**

In re:

Assignment of Certain Bankruptcy Cases	)	Administrative Order No. 07-06
in the Southern Division	)	Southern Division
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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ON PROCEDURE FOR ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN  
BANKRUPTCY CASES IN THE SOUTHERN DIVISION**

Rule 9029 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure authorizes this Court to establish and promulgate local rules of practice and procedure not inconsistent with the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and subject to the requirements of Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. Any case filed by the same debtor within twelve months of the date of entry of an order of dismissal or discharge of a prior case, shall be assigned to the same judge from the prior case.
2. Any case filed by the same debtor within twelve months of the date of closing a prior case, shall be assigned to the same judge from the prior case.
3. Any case filed by a debtor that already has a case pending, shall be assigned to the same judge as the pending case.
4. If any such case has been assigned either by the random or by the automatic assignment and is inconsistent with this Order, the Clerk's office shall reassign the case consistent with this Order.
5. This Order shall be effective IMMEDIATELY and replaces and supersedes Administrative Order 04-2.

Dated this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007.

  
BENJAMIN COHEN  
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

  
TAMARA O. MITCHELL  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

  
THOMAS B. BENNETT  
United States Bankruptcy Judge