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PACER Fee Exemption

The United States Bankruptcy Courts are authorized to provide exemptions from the usual fee associated with public access to electronic court records (PACER). This service is provided only to persons or organizations identified as eligible by the Judicial Conference and exemptions are applicable only for limited purposes.

1. Who is eligible?

Courts may exempt the following persons and organizations from PACER fees: indigent persons, bankruptcy case trustees, individual researchers associated with educational institutions, courts, section 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organizations and pro bono ADR neutrals.

Applicants must demonstrate that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

2. Procedure for obtaining exemption from PACER fees

Submit an application requesting the fee exemption to the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court. You must submit an application to each district in which you seek an exemption from PACER fees.

Applications must specify certain limitations of the PACER Fee Exemption:

- the user agrees not to sell data obtained as a result of the exemption for profit;
- the exemption is granted to the individual or organization solely for access related to the cases or purpose(s) for which it was given, and that;
- the exemption can be revoked at the discretion of the Chief Judge at any time.

The application should limit the exempt status for a specific period of time, with the right of the requestor to seek an extension if necessary.