UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

AMENDED LOCAL GENERAL ORDER NO. 4*

In all cases filed under Chapter 13 of the Bankruptcy Code, compensation for debtor's counsel shall not exceed $3,000.00. No other fees shall be paid to the Debtor(s)' counsel without prior Court approval except cost related to the filing of a petition. Said costs shall be disclosed in the Debtor(s)' petition and are subject to review by the Court.

Debtor's counsel shall obtain the signature of the debtor on all initial fee applications in Chapter 13 proceedings and shall indicate the amount of the fee and the method of payment. Any retained fee collected by an attorney prior to the filing of the Chapter 13 petition shall be disclosed in the fee petition and the retainer shall be deducted from the fee awarded by the Court. The fee petition shall further disclose any fees and expenses charged or collected for any pre-petition legal work performed by the counsel for the debtor within one year prior to filing bankruptcy. Unless said pre-petition legal work is clearly delineated as unrelated to the Chapter 13, the Chapter 13 Trustee shall deduct any such disclosed pre-petition fees and expenses from the fees awarded in Chapter 13. Although the attorney's fees shall be due and payable in full at the date of confirmation, payment of attorney's fees shall be made in accordance with this plan and to the extent funds are available.

The order shall be effective for cases filed on or after October 15, 2010.

Dated: 9/29/10

Margaret A Mahoney
MARGARET A MAHONEY
CHIEF U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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