UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO THE COURT

The purpose of this notice is to remind the bar, as indicated on the court's website, that it is not acceptable for attorneys to use a debtor's credit or debit card to pay filing fees on-line through the pay.gov system. The Guide to Judiciary Policy Vol. 13, Ch 3, § 320.15 instructs courts to document which form of payment is acceptable in their internal control manual. This section of the Guide also recommends that courts not accept "personal checks or card payments from bankruptcy debtors." The Internal Control Manual for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Michigan explicitly states that "Debit or credit cards are not accepted from debtors." This includes the use of a debtor's debit or credit card by an attorney to pay fees through the pay.gov system.

Dated: June 1, 2018

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