

# Quarterly Newsletter

## U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Louisiana



**2nd Qtr, 2010**

**June 21, 2010**

### **New Chapter 13 Plan**

Pursuant to Standing Order 2010-1 the new Chapter 13 Plan which became effective June 1, 2010, is now required in all cases. You can find it at [www.lamb.uscourts.gov/pdffiles/ch13plan2010.pdf](http://www.lamb.uscourts.gov/pdffiles/ch13plan2010.pdf)

### **Court Closure**

The Court will be closed Monday, July 5, 2010 in observance of Independence Day.

### **New Employees in your Office?**

Please have them attend CM/ECF training at the Bankruptcy Court. Training dates are posted on our website at [www.lamb.uscourts.gov/training.htm](http://www.lamb.uscourts.gov/training.htm). If you need a different date than posted, please contact Chad Smith at 225-346-3314.

### **Lawyers can bring laptops into Courthouse—Standing Order 2010-2**

#### **Electronic Devices**

Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §105 and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 1001, the Court issues this standing order to provide for electronic devices in the courthouse, effective June 1, 2010.

**IT IS ORDERED** that attorneys may bring electronic devices including laptop computers, cellular telephones and other personal communications devices into the courthouse, subject to the following conditions:

An electronic device shall be set so as to not audibly alert or otherwise sound in the courtroom, chambers or in the hallways outside a courtroom.

Electronic devices shall not be used to photograph any part of the courthouse or any person or thing in the courthouse, or to record or rebroadcast any part of any judicial proceeding or meetings of creditors pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §341.

The United States Marshal or his deputies, and court security officers, may seize any electronic device that is used or operates in a way inconsistent with this order.

Seized devices will be returned to the owner only upon written motion and for good cause, and the owner may be subject to an appropriate sanction.

**May 27, 2010.**

**BY THE COURT:**

**Douglas D. Dodd**  
**United States Bankruptcy Judge**