UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In re:

THE BANKRUPTCY ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT OF 2005

GENERAL ORDER ADOPTING AMENDMENT TO INTERIM BANKRUPTCY RULE 1007(b).

Whereas, on September 19, 2006, the Judicial Conference approved that an amendment to

Interim Bankruptcy Rule 1007 be distributed immediately to the courts with a recommendation

that it be adopted by standing order or local rule in the same manner that the Interim Bankruptcy

Rules were adopted in 2005 in order to provide uniform procedures for implementing the

Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act ("BAPCPA"), and

Whereas, the amendment to Interim Rule 1007 addresses problems arising from the debtor's

obligation to file a certificate showing completion of a credit counseling course prior to

commencing a bankruptcy case by providing debtors a 15 day grace period within which to file

the certificate;

**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to 28 USC section 2071, Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of

Civil Procedure and Rule 9029 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the attached

amendment to Interim Rule 1007(b) is adopted in its entirety without change by the Board of

Judges of this Court to be effective in all cases filed on or after October 1, 2006 to conform with

the Act.

Dated: October 16, 2006

/s/ Judith H. Wizmur

HON. JUDITH H. WIZMUR

Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court

**District of New Jersey**