

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

IN RE: Application for Exemption	)	Misc. No.:
from the Electronic Public Access	)	
Fees by Robert Howard and/or his	)	
research assistant Shenita Brazelton	)	
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This matter is before the court upon the application and request by Robert Howard for exemption from the fees imposed by the Electronic Public Access fee schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts.

The court finds that Robert Howard as an individual researcher associated with Georgia State University falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Robert Howard has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Accordingly, Robert Howard shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this court, to the extent such use is incurred in the course of his research in the area of bankruptcy law. He shall not be exempt from the payment of fees incurred in connection with other uses of the PACER system in this court. Additionally, the following limitations apply:

1. This fee exemption applies only the Robert Howard and his research assistant Shenita Brazelton, and is valid only for the purposes stated above;
2. This fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this court that are available through the PACER system;

3. By accepting this exemption, Robert Howard and his research assistant Shenita Brazelton agree not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;
4. This exemption is valid until September 1, 2010.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the court at any time. A copy of this Order shall be sent to the PACER Service Center.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2009.



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David C. Norton  
Chief United States District Judge