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Steven T. Salata, Clerk
Charlotte Division/CCH

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

In re:)
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 PACER Fee Exemption)
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ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM PAYMENT OF PACER FEES

THIS MATTER is before the court upon the application and request by Dhananjay Ghei 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 Mr. Ghei is a fifth-year PhD student in the Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. He is researching the relationship between bankruptcy, race, and criminal records in the United States. Mr. Ghei will access the docket header data for bankruptcy records from PACER. The data is intended to help him analyze the role of previous criminal records on bankruptcy filings and the choice of a particular Chapter in the bankruptcy filing.

Mr. Ghei falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Mr. Ghei has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary to avoid

unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Accordingly, Mr. Ghei shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this court. 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:

- I. this fee exemption applies only to Dhananjay Ghei, PACER account number 7179998, and is valid only for the purposes stated above;
- II. this fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this court that are available through the PACER system;
- III. by accepting this exemption, Mr. Ghei agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;
- IV. Dhananjay Ghei is prohibited from transferring any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption, including redistribution via internet-based databases; and
- V. this exemption is valid through January 31, 2024.

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.

It is so ORDERED.

Date: August 1, 2008 Laura Turner Beyer
Laura Turner Beyer
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge