

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

**GENERAL ORDER REGARDING SPECIAL SESSIONS  
TO HOLD COURT OUT OF DISTRICT DUE TO UNINHABITABILITY OF  
ROCK ISLAND COURTHOUSE**

The United States Courthouse in Rock Island, Illinois, is uninhabitable due to unsafe conditions, including an intractable mold infestation, recurring flooding, and harmful air quality. These conditions are adversely affecting the health of employees and the public. The closest United States Courthouse in the Central District of Illinois is located in Peoria, Illinois, a 200-mile round-trip drive from the Rock Island Courthouse with no public transportation available to travel the distance. The closest United States Courthouse in an adjacent district is located in Davenport, Iowa, a 3-mile round-trip drive from the Rock Island Courthouse. No location within the Central District of Illinois is therefore reasonably available to provide public access to the courts, and it is necessary to conduct special sessions of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois, Peoria Division, generally scheduled to be heard at the Rock Island Courthouse, outside of the District.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §152(c)(2)(A), because no location within the Central District of Illinois is reasonably available, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois will conduct special sessions for Rock Island cases at the United States Courthouse for the Southern District of Iowa in Davenport, Iowa, effective immediately.

Any business that may be transacted at a regular session of the Bankruptcy Court in Rock Island may be transacted at a special session conducted at the United States Courthouse for the Southern District of Iowa in Davenport, Iowa.

ENTERED this 27th day of September, 2018.



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MARY P. GORMAN  
CHIEF UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE