

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
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CLERK'S NOTICE 07-04

Electronic Communication Devices on Court Floors

On August 27, 2007, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas entered Miscellaneous Order No. 63 regarding use of electronic communication devices, including but not limited to, cellular telephones, pagers, personal digital assistants, and laptop computers, on court floors within the Northern District of Texas. The order is **effective September 1, 2007**, and provides for division-specific exceptions which include exceptions for the bankruptcy court as follows:

Abilene Bankruptcy Court – Electronic communication devices may be used by any person having business with the court in the hallway outside of the courtroom, but they may not be brought into the courtroom.

Amarillo Bankruptcy Court – Electronic communication devices may be used by any person having business with the court in the hallway outside of the courtroom, but they may not be brought into the courtroom.

Dallas Bankruptcy Court – Electronic communication devices may be used by any person who produces a written authorization signed by a judge or the judge's designee; or an attorney with a valid bar identification card having business in the chambers or courtroom of Chief Judge Houser, Judge Hale, or Judge Jernigan may bring electronic communication devices onto the 14th floor.

Fort Worth Bankruptcy Court – Electronic communication devices may be used by any person who produces a written authorization signed by Judge Lynn or Judge Nelms; or an attorney with a valid bar identification card who has business in the chambers or courtroom of Judge Lynn or Judge Nelms may bring electronic communication devices onto the **first and second floor**.

Lubbock Bankruptcy Court – Electronic communication devices may be used by any person having business with the court in the hallway outside of the courtroom, but they may not be brought into the courtroom.

San Angelo Bankruptcy Court - Electronic communication devices may be used by any person having business with the court in the hallway outside of the courtroom, but they may not be brought into the courtroom.

Wichita Falls Bankruptcy Court - Electronic communication devices may be used by any person having business with the court in the hallway outside of the courtroom, but they may not be brought into the courtroom.

Please direct any questions you may have regarding the use of electronic devices on bankruptcy court floors to the appropriate divisional manager. For a complete copy of Miscellaneous Order No. 63, please visit www.txnd.uscourts.gov.

FOR THE COURT
Tawana C. Marshall, Clerk of Court