

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re: Electronic Filing Procedures in Litigation
Pursuant to the Social Security Act.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
99-2

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WHEREAS the Social Security Administration by letter dated May 26, 1999, Office of General Counsel, has requested a standing protective order prohibiting administrative hearing transcripts and litigants' briefs in Social Security cases from being filed electronically due to concerns about identify theft and claimants' privacy interests, and

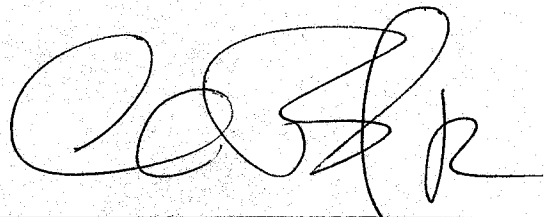
WHEREAS the Electronic Filing Procedures adopted by the Board of Judges of the Eastern District of New York, on October 21, 1997, provide for the issuance of a protective order respecting privacy interests where electronic filing "is likely to prejudice those privacy interests" (See paragraph 15 of the Electronic Filing Procedures, Administrative Order 97-12, it is hereby

ORDERED that a standing protective order is hereby entered limited to prohibiting the electronic filing of the administrative hearing transcripts and the litigants' briefs in Social Security cases, and it is further

ORDERED that any material not filed electronically pursuant to this Order shall be filed with the Clerk and served as if the action were not subject to the Electronic Filing Procedures.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: Brooklyn, New York
June 9 1999



Charles P. Sifton, Chief Judge