UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #25-06

REASSIGNMENT OF CASES

The Honorable Robert E. Littlefield, Jr. will be retiring from the service of the Court on September 30, 2025. The judgeship vacancy will not be filled at his time leaving the district with two active judges instead of three. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C § 154(b), the Chief Judge of the Bankruptcy Court is authorized to ensure that the business of the Bankruptcy Court is handled effectively and expeditiously.

Now, it is therefore,

ORDERED that the Clerk of Court is directed to:

- Reassign all cases of Judge Littlefield in the Albany Division to Judge Patrick G.
 Radel, unless precluded by judicial conflicts in which case the matter shall be reassigned to Judge Wendy A. Kinsella;
- 2. Reassign all cases in the Utica Division from the counties of Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Franklin, Fulton, Lewis, Madison, Montgomery, Otsego, and St. Lawrence to Judge Kinsella, unless identified for retention by Judge Radel, or precluded by judicial conflicts in which case the matter shall remain with Judge Radel or the assigned visiting judge;
- 3. Assign cases filed on or after October 1, 2025, in the Utica Division from the counties of Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Franklin, Fulton, Lewis, Madison, Montgomery, Otsego, and St. Lawrence to Judge Kinsella, unless precluded by judicial conflicts; and

- 4. Assign cases filed on or after October 1, 2025, in the Albany Division and the Utica Division from the counties of Hamilton, Herkimer, and Oneida to Judge Radel, unless precluded by judicial conflicts.
- 5. In the event both Judge Kinsella and Judge Radel are precluded by judicial conflicts, the matter shall be assigned to the bankruptcy judge designated for service by the Second Circuit.

Date: September 29, 2025 Syracuse, New York

Chief United States Bankrupter

Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge