

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

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In re : BANKRUPTCY GENERAL ORDER
AMENDMENTS TO : NO. 02-001
LBR 5072-1(e) :

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Local Bankruptcy Rule 5072-1(e), entitled "Courtroom Decorum", addresses the acceptable use of Cellular Telephones, Laptop Computers and Beepers in the courtroom. As a result of the court's recent introduction of an evidence presentation system and laptop hookups at counsel tables in the courtroom, the language in the current local rule requires updating.

Accordingly, in order to permit counsel to use their laptops at counsel tables for the introduction of evidence in a trial or other proceeding, this general order is being issued to amend local rule 5072-1(e) to add the following additional language:

IT IS ORDERED that:

LBR 5072-1(e), entitled "Cellular Telephones, Laptop Computers, and Beepers", is amended to include the language appearing below in bold and italics. In all other respects, LBR 5072-1(e) remains unchanged:

Anyone entering the courtroom is required to turn off all cellular phones and noise emitting beepers before entering the courtroom. Laptop computers will be allowed in the courtroom only upon prior request and approval of the court, ***except while in use at counsel table.***

This general order shall take effect immediately.

Enter:




U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

Dated:

2/26/02

Order:



Clerk of Court