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To: Chief Judge Gregory F. Kishel  
Judge Nancy C. Dreher  
Judge Robert J. Kressel  
Judge Dennis D. O'Brien  
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From: Margaret Dostal-Fell

Re: August ERS Statistics

August case filings increased by 116 over July, but there were 192 fewer cases filed in August 2004 than in August 2003. Chapter 7 cases filed in August 2004 decreased by 146 in Minneapolis, 75 in St. Paul, 10 in Duluth, and 12 in Fergus Falls from August 2003, while Chapter 13 cases increased by 17 in Minneapolis, 27 in St. Paul, 7 in Duluth, and 3 in Fergus Falls.

Minneapolis had 614 and St. Paul had 663 case filings in August, with 74 more Chapter 7's in St. Paul and 27 more Chapter 13's filed in Minneapolis. There were 20 more Chapter 7 cases filed in Fergus Falls than in Duluth, and 3 more Chapter 13 filings in Duluth than in Fergus Falls. The total number of electronic filings in August declined by 753 from August 2003.

Over 330,000 motions and documents and 51,000 cases have been filed electronically since 1999. There were 68,143 searches of the court's web site in August. *(Each time the case search button is activated on the home page, a session is opened. In a single session, multiple cases can be searched. These figures include internal and external searches.)*

There are currently 908 certified electronic filers and 233 trainees.

### Electronic Case Filings by Division

Month	Year	Minneapolis	St. Paul	Duluth	Fergus Falls	Total
March	<b>2000</b>	42	34	1	0	77
April		109	84	3	2	198
May		124	104	1	0	229
June		147	134	4	4	289
July		115	110	1	7	233
August		141	145	1	3	290
September		130	107	17	4	258
October		131	109	24	7	271
November		113	115	16	2	246
December		119	103	18	4	244
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,171</b>	<b>1,045</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>2,335</b>
Month	Year	Minneapolis	St. Paul	Duluth	Fergus Falls	Total
January	<b>2001</b>	174	150	19	2	345
February		160	138	40	8	346
March		205	184	38	9	436
April		196	201	44	5	446
May		217	224	36	5	482
June		161	176	27	9	373
July		174	170	23	17	384
August		240	233	49	10	532
September		238	194	34	15	481
October		262	235	25	12	534
November		215	180	34	12	441
December		207	217	29	11	464
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,449</b>	<b>2,302</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>5,264</b>
Month	Year	Minneapolis	St. Paul	Duluth	Fergus Falls	Total
January	<b>2002</b>	244	227	45	17	533
February		299	216	43	20	578
March		335	276	38	29	678
April		391	334	51	40	816
May		365	287	55	39	746
June		340	313	52	35	740
July		370	317	55	36	778
August		451	451	53	30	985
September		422	396	56	38	912
October		621	593	109	78	1,401
November		561	542	94	87	1,284
December		611	555	104	90	1,360
<b>Total</b>		<b>5,010</b>	<b>4,507</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>10,811</b>

Month	Year	Minneapolis	St. Paul	Duluth	Fergus Falls	Total
January	<b>2003</b>	800	723	118	115	1,756
February		700	729	138	130	1,697
March		844	872	153	161	2,030
April		839	810	155	150	1,954
May		819	776	157	143	1,895
June		761	684	139	108	1,692
July		666	682	144	144	1,636
August		745	712	115	137	1,709
September		685	692	137	160	1,674
October		887	778	149	145	1,959
November		566	639	114	101	1,420
December		628	605	115	126	1,474
<b>Total</b>		<b>8,940</b>	<b>8,702</b>	<b>1,634</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>20,896</b>
Month	Year	Minneapolis	St. Paul	Duluth	Fergus Falls	Total
January	<b>2004</b>	429	474	99	93	1,095
February		555	661	109	128	1,453
March		722	801	157	159	1,839
April		701	636	139	142	1,618
May		605	598	118	128	1,449
June		585	630	130	120	1,465
July		586	586	125	104	1,401
August		614	663	112	128	1,517
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,797</b>	<b>5,049</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>11,837</b>

**Total Electronic Case Filings by Division**

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2001	2,449	2,302	398	115	5,264
2002	5,010	4,507	755	539	10,811
2003	8,940	8,702	1,634	1,620	20,896
2004	4,797	5,049	989	1,002	11,837
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,367</b>	<b>21,605</b>	<b>3,862</b>	<b>3,309</b>	<b>51,143</b>

**Electronic Filing by Chapter and Office**

**August 2003 - August 2004**

<b>Minneapolis</b>	<b>Chapter 7</b>	<b>Chapter 11</b>	<b>Chapter 12</b>	<b>Chapter 13</b>
August	596	3	0	146
September	565	1	0	119
October	705	2	0	180
November	443	3	0	120
December	495	0	1	132
January	269	2	0	158
February	417	2	0	136
March	554	2	0	166
April	477	71	0	153
May	459	0	0	146
June	418	3	0	164
July	438	1	0	147
August	450	1	0	163

<b>St. Paul</b>	<b>Chapter 7</b>	<b>Chapter 11</b>	<b>Chapter 12</b>	<b>Chapter 13</b>
August	599	4	0	109
September	585	1	0	106
October	640	3	0	135
November	539	1	0	99
December	511	2	2	90
January	359	1	0	114
February	523	2	0	136
March	641	2	0	158
April	498	6	0	132
May	479	1	0	118
June	502	0	0	128
July	454	0	0	132
August	524	3	0	136

**Electronic Filing by Chapter and Office**

**August 2003 - August 2004**

<b>Duluth</b>	<b>Chapter 7</b>	<b>Chapter 11</b>	<b>Chapter 12</b>	<b>Chapter 13</b>
August	105	1	0	9
September	127	0	0	10
October	135	0	0	14
November	100	1	0	13
December	91	0	0	24
January	82	1	0	16
February	98	0	0	11
March	137	0	0	20
April	117	0	0	22
May	103	0	0	15
June	106	0	0	24
July	89	0	0	15
August	95	1	0	16

<b>Fergus Falls</b>	<b>Chapter 7</b>	<b>Chapter 11</b>	<b>Chapter 12</b>	<b>Chapter 13</b>
August	127	0	0	10
September	143	1	0	16
October	137	0	0	8
November	99	0	1	1
December	106	0	6	14
January	78	0	0	15
February	115	2	0	11
March	143	0	0	16
April	135	0	0	7
May	124	0	0	4
June	104	0	0	16
July	113	0	0	12
August	115	0	0	13

**Total Electronic Filings by Chapter**

**August 2003 - August 2004**

	<b>Ch 7</b>	<b>Ch 11</b>	<b>Ch 12</b>	<b>Ch 13</b>	<b>Total</b>
August	1,427	8	0	274	1,709
September	1,420	3	0	251	1,674
October	1,617	5	0	337	1,959
November	1,181	5	1	233	1,420
December	1,203	2	9	260	1,474
January	788	4	0	303	1,095
February	1,153	6	0	294	1,453
March	1,475	4	0	360	1,839
April	1,227	77	0	314	1,618
May	1,165	1	0	283	1,449
June	1,130	3	0	332	1,465
July	1,094	1	0	306	1,401
August	1,184	5	0	328	1,517

**Electronic Filings - 1999-2002**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Motions/Documents</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>Adversaries</b>	<b>Lift Stay Motions</b>
March	1999	11			
April		31			
May		29			
June		35			
July		68			
August		43			
September		4			
October		3			
November		47			
December		58			
January	2000	85			
February		49			
March		65	77		
April		39	198		
May		69	229		
June		78	289		
July		81	233		
August		102	290		
September		65	258		
October		135	271		
November		112	246		
December		121	244		
January	2001	128	345	1	
February		246	346	3	
March		516	436	3	258
April		587	446	10	281
May		590	482	4	318
June		722	373	10	323
July		839	384	15	330
August		869	532	28	357
September		776	481	9	260
October		875	534	8	379
November		950	441	4	355
December		1,803	464	5	273
January	2002	2,031	533	14	313
February		2,200	578	7	312
March		2,933	678	4	384
April		4,191	816	20	374
May		4,082	746	25	369
June		4,029	740	29	335
July		4,430	778	25	350
August		5,099	985	16	346
September		5,028	912	27	287
October		11,211	1,401	63	402
November		10,833	1,284	52	368
December		10,914	1,360	67	292
<b>Total</b>		<b>77,212</b>	<b>18,410</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>7,266</b>

**Electronic Filings 2003- 2004**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Motions/Documents</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>Adversaries</b>	<b>Lift Stay Motions</b>
January	2003	12,809	1,756	71	381
February		12,178	1,697	54	361
March		13,411	2,030	60	351
April		14,592	1,954	63	424
May		13,661	1,895	50	396
June		13,181	1,692	72	419
July		12,908	1,636	56	436
August		13,004	1,709	80	436
September		12,885	1,674	62	352
October		14,659	1,959	95	397
November		11,360	1,420	44	308
December		12,013	1,474	97	290
January	2004	11,186	1,095	100	443
February		11,152	1,453	51	325
March		13,365	1,839	83	354
April		12,521	1,618	159	312
May		11,929	1,449	42	315
June		12,100	1,465	58	287
July		11,572	1,401	79	335
August		12,443	1,517	135	306
<b>Total</b>		<b>252,929</b>	<b>32,733</b>	<b>1,511</b>	<b>7,228</b>

**Electronic Filings 1999-2004**

	<b>Motions/Documents</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>Adversaries</b>	<b>Lift Stay Motions</b>
Total 1999-2202	77,212	18,410	449	7,266
Total 2003-2004	252,929	32,733	1,511	7,228
	<b>330,141</b>	<b>51,143</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>14,494</b>

**Total Electronic Filings**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>
January	1999			January	2000	85
February				February		49
March		11		March		142
April		31		April		237
May		29		May		298
June		35		June		367
July		68		July		314
August		43		August		392
September		4		September		323
October		3		October		406
November		47		November		358
December		58		December		365
<b>Total</b>		<b>329</b>		<b>Total</b>		<b>3,336</b>

<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>
January	2001	474		January	2002	2,563
February		595		February		2,799
March		955		March		3,611
April		1,043		April		5,004
May		1,076		May		4,826
June		1,105		June		4,770
July		1,238		July		5,208
August		1,429		August		6,084
September		1,266		September		5,940
October		1,417		October		12,612
November		1,395		November		12,117
December		2,267		December		12,274
<b>Total</b>		<b>14,260</b>		<b>Total</b>		<b>77,808</b>

**Total Electronic Filings**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>
January	2003	14,565		January	2004	13,376
February		13,875		February		12,605
March		15,411		March		15,046
April		16,546		April		14,139
May		15,556		May		13,735
June		14,873		June		13,565
July		14,544		July		12,973
August		14,713		August		13,960
September		14,559		September		
October		16,608		October		
November		12,780		November		
December		13,487		December		
<b>Total</b>		<b>177,517</b>		<b>Total</b>		<b>109,399</b>

**Electronic Filing Totals**

1999	329
2000	3,336
2001	14,260
2002	77,808
2003	177,517
2004	109,399
<b>Total</b>	<b>382,649</b>

### Web Search Sessions

<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Search Sessions</b>
November	1999	10,736
December		11,115
January	2000	13,239
February		13,356
March		16,519
April		14,651
May		17,626
June		20,257
July		15,896
August		18,515
September		17,116
October		19,278
November		17,768
December		17,001
January	2001	21,412
February		21,551
March		25,971
April		24,828
May		26,149
June		27,602
July		27,915
August		30,771
September		24,180
October		29,522
November		28,442
December		27,163
January	2002	36,877
February		35,154
March		41,488
April		40,963
May		45,231
June		40,367
July		41,336
August		42,341
September		38,451
October		44,177
November		43,544
December		43,566
January	2003	47,681
February		45,700
March		47,713
April		52,929
May		49,988
June		48,198
July		47,842
August		47,532
September		58,015
October		55,042
November		44,405
December		52,262
January	2004	65,419
February		58,395
March		72,084
April		85,666
May		61,535
June		65,369
July		67,669
August		68,143