IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO



NOTICE FROM THE CLERK NO. 09-11

Electronic Disclosure of Presentence Reports

The U.S. Probation Office for the District of Puerto Rico will electronically disclose Presentence Reports via the Court's Case Management/Electronic Filing System (CM/ECF) effective September 1, 2009. Accordingly, on August 24, 2009, the following information was distributed by general email to all members of the bar:

- All cases referred to the Probation Office for presentence investigation on or after September 1, 2009, will be disclosed electronically.
- The parties will receive electronic notification of disclosure via CM/ECF. The documents contained in the electronic disclosure are legally privileged and confidential, intended only for the use of the individual registered with the Clerk of Court in the email address. If the reader of the electronic notification is not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution, or copying of the information is strictly prohibited.
- Ensure that your email address is correct as represented in the court docket of each case. If the docket does not contain your current email address, please provide your correct email address to the designated personnel in the Clerk's Office.
- The presentence report will be electronically filed in PDF format within the CM/ECF system. It is recommended that the parties use the latest version of the Adobe Acrobat reader software to read the document(s). The software is available at http://www.adobe.com.
- Additional documents such as character letters, victim impact statements, etc., will be included electronically as attachments, if feasible.

- Pursuant to Rule 32(c) and subject to its reservations, the parties acknowledge by receipt of the electronic message that:
 - Any material disclosable to the defendant and/or his/her counsel shall also be disclosable to the attorney for the Government. If a defendant is incarcerated, the presentence report will be used by the Federal Bureau of Prisons to determine the institution in which the sentence is to be served, the defendant's classification within the facility, his/her ability to obtain furloughs, and his/her eligibility for programs within the institution.
 - Counsel shall communicate in writing to the probation officer any objections to the presentence report. Objections are due within 14 days after disclosure of the presentence report, unless the defendant and the government waive the time limits under Rule 32 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 25th day of August, 2009.

FRANCES RIOS DE MORAN, ESQ.

CLERK OF COURT