

**EXHIBIT A**

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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BERNARD L. MADOFF

Case No. 09-11893 (BRL)

Chapter 7

Alleged Debtor(s)

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**REQUEST FOR ORDER FOR RELIEF AND ORDER TO FILE SCHEDULES AND  
OTHER DOCUMENTS; ALLEGED DEBTOR'S FAILURE TO ANSWER**

An involuntary petition under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code was filed on April 13, 2009, against the alleged debtor, and an affidavit of service of the involuntary petition and summons has been entered on the case docket. The alleged debtor has neither consented to an Order for Relief nor has filed an answer or motion pursuant to FRBP 1011(b) and FR Civ. P 12 and sufficient time has elapsed for the submission of an answer or motion.

It is, therefore, requested that an "Order for Relief" and an "Order to File Schedules and Other Documents" be entered in the above case.

May 7, 2009  
Date

/s/ Liza Ebanks  
Case Administrator

**ORDER FOR RELIEF AND ORDER TO FILE SCHEDULES  
AND OTHER DOCUMENTS**

On consideration of the involuntary petition against the above-named debtor, an Order for Relief under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code is granted. The debtor is ordered to file all schedules, statements, lists and other documents that are required under the Federal and Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. This includes, among other things, the following: 1) for debtors having fewer than 1,000 creditors, the filing of a creditors' matrix prepared in accordance with the specifications contained in General Order M-192; and 2) for *Chapter 11 cases*, the filing of an affidavit and proposed case conference order as required under Local Rule 1007-2. All filings – including the schedules, statements, lists, creditors' matrix and Rule 1007-2 affidavit (*Chapter 11 only*) – shall be filed within fifteen days (15) days from the date of entry of this order, with the exception of a proposed case conference order (*Chapter 11 only*), which shall be filed within thirty (30) days from the date of entry of this order.

Dated: May 7, 2009  
New York, New York

/s/Burton R. Lifland  
United States Bankruptcy Judge