

NOTICE

INCREASE TO THE CIVIL FILING FEE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 7, 2005

On December 8, 2004 the President signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005, which included a provision increasing the civil filing fee by \$100, to **\$250**. This change in the civil filing fee will become effective February 7, 2005, 60 days from the date the bill was signed into law by the President.

The Act increased the filing fee for civil actions prescribed by 28 U.S.C. §1914(a) from \$150 to **\$250**. The civil filing fee was last increased in 1996 when it was adjusted from \$120 to \$150. The filing fee for a writ of habeas corpus will continue to be \$5. Based on other actions of the Judicial Conference, the fee for filing a motion to lift stay and the fee for filing an adversary proceeding under the Bankruptcy Court Miscellaneous Fee Schedule will not be impacted by the change to the civil filing fee.



**MATTHEW J. DYKMAN
CLERK OF COURT**