

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re

BENJAMIN ZEV KATZ,

GENERAL ORDER NO. 575

A Suspended Attorney.
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ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE TO CLIENTS

WHEREAS, Benjamin Zev Katz (“Katz”) was suspended from the practice of law in the State of New York on March 24, 2009; and

WHEREAS, by order dated August 18, 2009 (the “EDNY Order”), Katz was suspended from the practice of law before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York; and

WHEREAS, the EDNY Order is effective 24 days after the date of service upon Katz, unless otherwise modified or stayed; and

WHEREAS, the EDNY Order was served upon Katz on August 20, 2009; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 2090-1(a) of the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York, an attorney who may practice in the District Court pursuant to Civil Rule 1.3 of the Local District Rules may practice in this Court, and conversely, an attorney whose right to practice has been suspended by the District Court is also suspended from practicing in this Court; and

WHEREAS, it appears that Katz is currently the attorney of record to debtors in the cases listed on Exhibit A to this order, and the failure by Katz to notify his clients of his suspension and the need to retain substitute counsel may interfere with this Court’s administration of these cases and prejudice the debtors and the creditors of their estates; and

WHEREAS, the State Court Rules governing the conduct of disbarred, suspended and resigned attorneys requires such attorneys, inter alia, to provide notice to their clients and advise of the prompt substitution of another attorney and attorneys in their place (e.g., 22 NYCRR § 691.10(d));

NOW, THEREFORE, by resolution of the Board of Judges of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York, and pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 105(a), it is hereby

ORDERED, that in addition to any other obligations imposed upon Katz by any court order, statute, rule or regulation relating to his suspension, Katz shall, within fourteen days after the entry of this order give the notice required by 22 NYCRR § 691.10(d)(1) and (3), and in the manner set forth therein, to any client for whom he has appeared in a case or adversary proceeding currently pending in this Court, to any attorney for each adverse party in such adversary proceeding or in any contested matter in any such case, to any chapter 7 or chapter 13 trustee in that case, and to the United States Trustee, and shall promptly file a copy of each such notice on the electronic docket of the case or adversary proceeding to which it pertains; and it is further

ORDERED, that Katz's attorney password for access to the Court's Electronic Case Filing System shall be revoked on the effective date of the EDNY Order; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Clerk of Court is directed to serve this order upon Katz.

Dated: Brooklyn, New York
March 23, 2011

 /s/Carla E. Craig
Carla E. Craig
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

EXHIBIT A

1. 08-43075-jbr Chapter 7
Debtor: Altony St. Urbain