#### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In Re:

#### Chapter:

Case No.:

Debtor.

Plaintiff,

Adv. Pro. No.:

-against-

Defendant.

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## **APPLICATION FOR PRO BONO MEDIATION**

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### , U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

- 1. Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_("Applicant").
- 2. I am a party of and/or have appeared in the above referenced bankruptcy case and/or adversary proceeding which involves a "Contested Matter" described as follows: (Briefly describe the nature of the dispute in which you are presently involved in the space below, and include whether you are plaintiff, defendant, movant or responent).

3. Applicant does not have an attorney to represent his/her interests in the Contested Matter and is acting "pro-se" in that matter.

4. Applicant asserts that he/she does not have the financial ability to pay a Mediator for mediation services and/or retain a lawyer to represent his/her interests in the Contested Matter.

- 5. Applicant desires to have the Contested Matter described above referred to Mediation through the Court's Pro-Bono Mediation Program where the court will appoint a Mediator and if desired, appoint a Mediator Advocate for Applicant.
- 6. Applicant has attached to this Motion as **Exhibit "A"** a completed **Affidavit of Financial Need** which will be reviewed by the Bankruptcy Court in determining whether I am eligible for the Pro Bono Mediation Program. If I have requested a pro bono Mediator Advocate, I have also attached as "**Exhibit B**" an **Affidavit in Support of Request for Mediator Advocate**.
- 7. Applicant acknowledges that in the event that Applicant's Application is approved by the Bankruptcy Court for Pro Bono Mediation, that Applicant will be required to enter into a pro bono retainer agreements with the assigned Mediator and/or Mediator Advocate and be shall be bound by the Rules and Regulations of the Pro Bono Mediation Program.
- 8. Applicant hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of this Application and all attachments will be mailed within two (2) days to the following:

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# [Note: This form and any attachments must be served on all parties involved with the Contested Matter, and any case trustee]

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests:

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□ 1. That the Contested Matter be referred to a Pro Bono Mediator.

□ 2. That a Mediator Advocate be assigned to represent Applicant for the Mediation.

Dated:""""""""

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[Sign Above]

[Print Name]