

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

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IN THE MATTER OF:

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2026-1

PROCEDURES FOR ACCESS AND  
MANAGEMENT OF SEALED  
DOCUMENTS

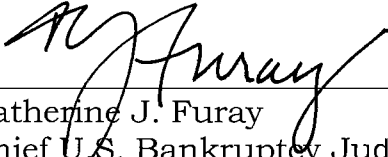
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WHEREAS, a recent escalation in cyberattacks on the electronic filing systems of federal courts requires the implementation of new procedures for the storage and management of sealed documents filed in the court's case management/electronic filing system (CM/ECF) to which public access is restricted.

IT IS ORDERED that effective as of the date of this order and until such time as the court orders otherwise,

1. **Electronic Access to Sealed Document**. Sealed documents will continue to be filed in CM/ECF under existing procedures but will no longer be accessible or viewable by electronic means; only court users (judges and designated staff) can access sealed documents via CM/ECF.
2. **Service of Sealed Documents Filed in CM/ECF**. Because sealed documents filed in CM/ECF are no longer accessible or viewable electronically, parties can no longer rely on CM/ECF to effectuate service. Parties will have to serve sealed documents by other appropriate means and adhere to certificate of service requirements as provided by the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.
3. **Copies of Sealed Documents**. Any party or person who has the right to access a sealed document and who requires a copy of a sealed document must request a copy from the filing party. For court-issued documents, contact the clerk's office to request a copy. Applicable copy fees will be applied to such requests.
4. **Questions about Sealed Document Procedures**. Any questions about the filing of and access to sealed documents should be directed to the clerk's office.

DATED: April 20, 2026

  
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Catherine J. Furay  
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge