

## United States District Court Southern District Of New York

Laura Taylor Swain Chief Judge

## **COURT NOTICE TO THE BAR** November 6, 2024

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## **Important Scam Alert**

There has been nationwide reporting of fake Notices of Electronic Filing (NEFs) being sent to attorneys and law firms across the country. These fake NEFs may appear to be from a court's ECF system; however, they are phishing attempts intended to convince recipients to respond to the emails. Once a recipient replies to the email, they are then sent a follow-on email containing a link to access a document that leads the user to a malicious website.

Fake NEF's can be spotted by examining the senders email address. A genuine NEF from this court will be sent from the following email address:

## NYSD\_ECF\_pool@nysd.uscourts.gov

A genuine NEF from the court will contain the only link you will need to access the new filing. A genuine NEF will never ask the recipient to respond to the original email in order to obtain a link to the new filing.

Users are encouraged not to download any attachments or click any links from unofficial or questionable sources. If you have any concerns over the authenticity of a NEF, you may call the Help Desk at the telephone number above during business hours.

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