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Dear Madam Clerk,

Attached please find a document entitled "Ad Hoc Petition For Higher Base Fee" submitted on behalf of the 49 debtor attorneys noted thereon. This petition was prepared in the hope that our judges would give consideration to raising the presumptive fee for Chapter 13 cases from $3,000 to at least $4,000. As you can see, this petition lists some of the reasons why we believe such an increase would be justified.

As you may know, this issue is currently before the Local Rules Committee for consideration. There was a preliminary discussion of the issue at the meeting held last week. However, we are told that the Local Rules Committee only meets quarterly, and that therefore the committee will not meet again until well into May.

Since we believe our judges will agree that a higher base fee is long overdue, it is our hope that, in the interim, our judges will consider providing for a higher base fee on a provisional basis, pending and subject to the final judgment of the Court after receiving the final conclusions, recommendations and feedback from the Local Rules Committee.

For your information, with permission of each Judge's respective Judicial Assistant, we are copying each of the judges on this email, care of their respective Assistants. We are also sending a copy of this email to each of the Chapter 13 Trustees.

In addition, please be advised that we are also mailing to your office a paper copy of this petition.

We would respectfully request that you formally present the attached petition to the Court for consideration, and we thank you, in advance, for your kind and courteous attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
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