

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:)
)
CUSTODIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR) Miscellaneous No. 05-399
STATE PRISONERS IN CIVIL)
MATTERS.)

O R D E R

The Court, in consultation with the United States Marshal, has determined that due to other pending duties required of the United States Marshals Service, it is impractical and a security risk for Deputy United States Marshals to be required to assume custodial responsibility for state prisoners, brought to the Federal Courthouse by state correctional officers pursuant to federal writs of habeas corpus *ad testificandum*, in civil matters in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, this 20th day of October, 2005, that:

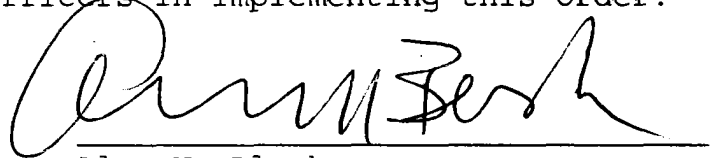
1. State correctional officers shall transport state prisoners in civil matters to United States District Court pursuant to federal writs of habeas corpus *ad testificandum* in civil cases.
2. Pursuant to the writs, state correctional officers shall maintain custody of the state prisoners at all times while the prisoner is in the Federal Courthouse, including in the courtroom as required.

3. The United States Marshals Service will ensure that at least one armed Deputy United States Marshal accompanies the state correctional officers who maintain custody over the state prisoner while in the Federal Courthouse.

4. The United States Marshals Service will ensure that at least one armed Deputy United States Marshal is present in the courtroom during civil proceedings involving a state prisoner.

5. The escorting state correctional officers shall not be armed while in the Federal Courthouse.

6. The United States Marshals Service shall coordinate with the state correctional officers in implementing this Order.



Alan N. Bloch
United States District Judge/
Chairman, Court Security Committee
United States District Court
Western District of Pennsylvania