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WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
NORTHERN DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE )  
DIVISION OF COURT BUSINESS ) ORDER

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 28 U.S.C.A. Sec. 27 (Judicial Code Sec. 23), and pending the absence from the District of Judge Jeremiah Neterer retired and the vacancy on the bench occasioned by the retirement and present illness of Judge Edward E. Cushman, and until it is further agreed and ordered, Judges John C. Bowen and Lloyd L. Black hereby agree upon the division of the Court's business and the assignment thereof for trial and disposition in this District as follows:

Of the causes and proceedings hereafter filed at Seattle Judge Bowen will dispose of condemnation and forfeiture cases filed on the admiralty side of the court, proceedings for review of awards under the Longshoremen's and Harbor Worker's Act, and marine admiralty causes, provided that upon Judge Neterer's return to the District so much of such marine admiralty business as may be agreeable to him may be transferred to Judge Neterer's calendar.

Of the causes and proceedings hereafter filed at Seattle Judge Black will dispose of bankruptcy matters, national bank insolvency and receivership cases, naturalization and habeas corpus petitions, Security and Exchange Commission proceedings and unassigned ex parte matters.

All other business of the court, civil and criminal, hereafter filed at Seattle shall be disposed of one-half by Judge Bowen and one-half by Judge Black.

1            Judge Bowen will dispose of all business of the  
2 Court at Bellingham, except bankruptcy matters which Judge  
3 Black will dispose of.

4            Unless otherwise specifically directed the Clerk  
5 is directed to make assignments to the calendars of Judges  
6 Bowen and Black in accordance with the foregoing.

7            The Tacoma business of the Court will, pending the  
8 appointment and qualification of Judge Cushman's successor,  
9 have the attention of both Judges Bowen and Black as their  
10 convenience may admit. Upon such appointment and qualifica-  
11 tion, all the Court's business in the District may be re-  
12 divided and reassigned for trial and disposition among the  
13 judges.

14           Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, each of  
15 the judges of this court shall have and perform any and all  
16 of the authority and duty otherwise by law conferred upon him  
17 to hear, try and dispose of any and all of the causes,  
18 matters and business of this court when he consents to do so.

19           All agreements and orders concerning the division  
20 of the Court's business and assignment thereof to the  
21 respective calendars of the judges heretofore had or made are  
22 by this order vacated.

23           Dated at Seattle, Washington, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
24 January, 1940.

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26           *John C. Bowen*  
27           United States District Judge

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29           *Stanley S. Black*  
30           United States District Judge