UNITED STATES TAX COURT WASHINGTON, DC 20217

November 6, 2001

PRESS RELEASE

Chief Judge Thomas B. Wells of the United States Tax Court announced that, because of the temporary closure of the United States Postal Service (U.S.P.S.) facility servicing the Court, the last delivery of U.S.P.S. mail was on October 19, 2001. Private carrier deliveries have not been interrupted.

The Chief Judge further announced that, at this time, the Court has not been informed of the date when U.S.P.S. delivery will resume. For documents subject to a filing deadline, however, he noted that a legible U.S.P.S. postmark, bearing a date within the applicable time period, will be considered timely even though it is actually received after the due date.

The Court has posted this notice, and will post notice of the resumption of regular U.S.P.S. mail delivery to the Court, on its WEB site located at <u>www.ustaxcourt.gov</u>.