

NOTICE REGARDING HEARING PROCEDURES

PROCEDURES FOR CASES ASSIGNED TO DAVID Wm. RUSKIN ONLY
EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC
STATUS CONFERENCES
(Updated February 23, 2022)

In light of the recommendations of the CDC regarding the spread of the COVID-19 virus and the Court's Notice cancelling in-person hearings, the Office of David Wm. Ruskin will implement procedures to eliminate in-person status conferences. Counsel are encouraged to carefully evaluate the status of the matter and, if appropriate, to submit to the Trustee *in advance of the scheduled hearing date* (i) a fast track confirmation order signed by debtor's counsel and all objecting creditors; or (ii) a proposed stipulation and order adjourning hearing (signed by debtor's counsel and counsel for all objecting creditors); or (iii) a proposed stipulation and order otherwise resolving the matter.

WE WILL BE CONDUCTING STATUS CONFERENCES BY TELEPHONE. PLEASE CHECK THE DET13LIST FOR A LIST OF CASES SHOWING WHICH PHONE NUMBER AND TIME FOR YOU TO CALL IN.

For matters that are resolved at status conference, it will not be possible to have all parties execute a written proposed order during the status conference. Instead, we will ask debtor's counsel to **no later than 4:30 p.m. on the day following the status conference** prepare and circulate a proposed stipulation and order encompassing the resolution. The Trustee's copy of the proposed stipulation and order should be e-mailed to Ruskin.Orders@det13.com. Once the proposed stipulation and order have been approved by all parties and the Trustee has been provided with copies signed by all interested parties, the Trustee will review and submit the stipulation and order to the court.

If the Trustee has not received a proposed stipulation and order by 4:30 on the day following the status conference, the matter will be adjourned to the next contested docket as a "control date". If the stipulation and order are submitted to the Trustee in acceptable form and signed by all interested parties before the control date, the stipulation and order will be submitted to the court.

Judge Gretchko is conducting all Chapter 13 contested hearings by telephone. At least five minutes before the scheduled time for such a hearing, which normally is at 2:00 p.m., counsel and parties should call (888) 684-8852 and use Access Code 6874938#. Counsel and parties should place their phone on mute and wait until their case is called before unmuting their phone and participating.

Judge Oxholm is conducting all Chapter 13 contested hearings by telephone. At least five minutes before the scheduled time for hearing, which normally is at 1:30 p.m., counsel and parties should call (877) 336-1831 and use Access Code 6226995#. Landline connections are much preferred, but cell phone or other telephone services are allowed. Counsel and parties should place their phone on mute and wait until their case is called before unmuting their phone and participating.

It is the obligation of each person desiring to participate in the contested hearing to call into the conference line.

NEITHER THE COURT NOR TRUSTEE WILL INITIATE TELEPHONE CALLS FOR STATUS CONFERENCES OR HEARINGS.