

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

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U.S. Bankruptcy Court
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Steven T. Seabold, Clerk
Charlotte Division

In re:)
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OPERATION OF THE U.S.)
BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE)
WESTERN DISTRICT OF)
NORTH CAROLINA IN)
RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS)
DISEASE (COVID-19))
_____)

GENERAL ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the Court upon its own motion.

The Governor of the State of North Carolina has declared a public health emergency throughout the state in response to the spread of the coronavirus and COVID-19.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other public health authorities have advised taking precautions to reduce the possibility of exposure to the virus and slow the spread of the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to protect public health, promote social distancing, reduce the number of people reporting to our courthouses by limiting public gatherings and reducing unnecessary travel, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina hereby continues all matters scheduled for hearing between March 16 and March 30 for a minimum of two weeks. More specifically:

1. All Chapter 7, 11, and 13 matters regularly scheduled in Asheville for March 17 and 18, 2020 are continued until the next regularly scheduled date on April 21.

2. All Chapter 7, 11,¹ and 13 matters regularly scheduled in Charlotte for March 23-25, 2020 are continued until the next regularly scheduled dates on April 7 and 8 for Judge Beyer and April 13 and 14 for Judge Whitley.

3. All matters set in Shelby for March 27 are continued to May 1, 2020.

¹ The Kaiser telephonic hearings scheduled for March 17 and March 23 will be held as currently scheduled.

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4. Emergency or other time-sensitive matters, including those already calendared for the aforementioned dates, will be handled by special settings. Questions about special settings and time-sensitive matters should be directed to chambers at 704-350-7575 or by email at hearings@ncwd.net.

5. Clerk's Offices at all locations are operating with reduced staffing but are observing posted business hours.

6. This schedule will be revisited and amended as necessary in order to address future developments.

SO ORDERED.

Date: March 16, 2020



Laura Turner Beyer
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge



J. Craig Whitley
United States Bankruptcy Judge



George R. Hodges
United States Bankruptcy Judge