UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT
CLERK'S OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT 2026-02

NOTICE TO THE BAR AND PUBLIC
Regarding Inclusion of State Court Entities on Creditor or Service Lists in Bankruptcy Cases

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The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut revised its Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, effective March 16, 2026. Among these revisions, Local Rule 2022-1 provides that:

> Notice of the filing of a bankruptcy petition in this District shall be served by the Debtor or Debtor's counsel, at the earliest possible date, to:
> 1. The clerk of any Federal or state court in which the Debtor is a party to pending litigation or other criminal or civil proceedings; and
> 2. All counsel of record in such litigation or proceedings, and to all parties to the action not represented by counsel.

A review of recent filings indicates that counsel for debtors filing new cases included divisions of the Connecticut Superior Court on the List of Creditors. While Local Rule 2022-1 requires that notice be served on such courts, it does **not** require—or contemplate—their inclusion as creditors or parties on a List of Creditors. A consequence of adding another court to a List of Creditors in a debtor's bankruptcy case is the other court will receive all documents served in the case, which was not intended by the new Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-1.

The Connecticut Superior Court has advised that being listed in this manner has caused significant operational disruption in their clerk's offices. In response, our Clerk's Office will remove Connecticut Superior Court entities from the List of Creditors in affected cases.

Practitioners are reminded that compliance with Local Rule 2022-1 requires:

- Proper service of notice on applicable courts and parties; and
- Filing a corresponding certificate of service.

The rule does **not** authorize adding another court to a debtor's List of Creditors.

Please review the revised rule carefully and ensure that future filings conform to this guidance. For questions, contact the Clerk's Office.

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