

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENT 2021-02

NOTICE TO THE BAR AND PUBLIC

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT LOCAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE EFFECTIVE DATE AUGUST 2, 2021

PLEASE BE ADVISED that as described in Public Notice 21-01 dated March 25, 2021, a Bench/Bar Committee comprised of the three Bankruptcy Judges of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut (the "Bankruptcy Court"), and members of the Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section of the Connecticut Bar Association, reviewed and revised the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Local Rules"). The Local Rules were thoroughly revised in 2018. The 2021 proposed revisions to the Local Rules agreed to by the Bench/Bar Committee were not substantial.

In March 2021, the proposed revisions to the Local Rules were presented to the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut (the "District Court"). The District Court voted to approve the Local Rules. The Public Comment period for suggested changes, revisions, and comments to the Local Rules ended on April 30, 2021. Two written comments to the Local Rules were received from the public. The comments did not require any additional revisions to the Local Rules. Other than minor edits to the Local Rules published for public comment on March 25, 2021, the only substantive change to the Local Rules not previously published is the addition to Local Bankr. R. 9036-1 to allow *Pro Se* Filers/Litigants, creditors, and parties-in-interest to consent to receive electronic notice and service of documents filed in a bankruptcy case or an adversary proceeding, along with the corresponding Local Forms to consent to receive electronic notice and service of documents, and a revision to Appendix N to add that a Motion to Dismiss/Convert Chapter 7 and 12 cases by a debtor shall also be scheduled for a hearing.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Effective Date of the Local Rules revised in March 2021, is August 2, 2021. All filings made on or after August 2, 2021, must comply with the provisions of the Local Rules. The Local Rules with the Effective Date of August 2, 2021, and all appendices are available in pdf format on our website at www.ctb.uscourts.gov. New Local Form "Notice of Sale of Estate Property", which appears in Appendix O, will be posted and available for use on or before August 2, 2021. The Local Forms for Request and Consent to electronic notice and service have been revised in accordance with Local Rule 9036-1 and will be posted and available for use on or before August 2, 2021.

Dated at Bridgeport, Connecticut this 1st day of July, 2021.

/s/ Pietro Cicolini

Pietro Cicolini, Clerk of Court