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Case Statistics

April, 2018

Ch. 7	194	Ch. 7	714
Ch. 11	4	Ch. 11	23
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	3
Ch. 13	372	Ch. 13	1420
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	570	Total	2160

Year to Date

May, 2018

Ch. 7	234	Ch. 7	949
Ch. 11	10	Ch. 11	33
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	3
Ch. 13	345	Ch. 13	1764
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	589	Total	2749

Year to Date

Reminder re: Updating Contact Information

This should serve as a reminder that the contact information contained in CM/ECF attorney accounts must always be kept current. All address, phone or email modifications must be updated with the court in a timely manner. This includes changes of address, law firm changes, retirements and withdrawals from practice. Contact the helpdesk via email at kelly_shum-drake@nceb.uscourts.gov or donna_skinner@nceb.uscourts.gov in order to request modifications to your contact information. Please be advised that these requests cannot be taken via telephone or live chat.

New Chapter 13 Plan Confirmation Procedures

A General Order was entered by the Judges of the EDNC on May 22, 2018, outlining new procedures for confirming plans in Chapter 13 cases. The order may be viewed by clicking [here](#). Please be advised that these procedures will apply to all cases filed on or after **July 1, 2018**. Some key points to note:

- The debtor's attorney will serve a copy of the plan upon the trustee and all creditors at the time of filing.
- A certificate of service will need to be filed evidencing service of the plan.
- Motions for Valuation and Motions to Assume/Reject Executory Contracts or Leases will no longer be handled through the plan. Separate motions must be docketed.
- A confirmation hearing will be scheduled upon filing of the case, and will be noticed along with the 341. The confirmation hearing will only be held if an objection to confirmation is filed.
- If there are no objections filed, the plan served will be confirmed without a hearing.
- If an amended plan is filed within 14 days of the date of the confirmation hearing, a motion to continue the confirmation hearing should be filed.
- If an order is entered continuing a 341 meeting of creditors, the confirmation hearing will also be continued.
- If confirmation is denied following a hearing, the debtor will have 30 days to file an amended plan. If an amended plan is filed, the trustee will have 14 days to either recommend approval or object. If the amended plan is not filed within the 30 days, the trustee may move to dismiss the case.

Reminder re: Pay Unclaimed Funds Online

This should serve as a reminder that unclaimed funds may be deposited online in CM/ECF. Please use the "Notice of Deposit of Unclaimed Funds" under Bankruptcy Events.

CM/ECF Browser Compatibility

*The CM/ECF staff have seen numerous filings this week with random letters preceding the docket text. We have discovered that the filings were made by attorneys using Microsoft Edge. **If you use this browser, please discontinue using it for CM/ECF filing immediately.***

*Please be reminded that CM/ECF has only been tested with Firefox and Internet Explorer 8 and 9 browsers. If you are using a different browser (i.e. Google Chrome, Safari, Edge), there is no guarantee that all features within CM/ECF will perform properly. **The court staff is not responsible for assisting in the filing of a document or completion of any required follow up when the filer is using an incompatible browser.***

Some things that may indicate a browser issue are: (1) trying to enter a case number and nothing happens, (2) filing an amendment but not being provided enough space to add the creditors, and (3) being unable to view the items on the CM/ECF event picklist, or inability to select multiple items. If any of these occur, please try filing using a compatible browser.

Reminder: Emergency Text Alerts from the Court

With hurricane season almost upon us, let this serve as a reminder that emergency text alerts from the court are available. If you have not previously done so, you can sign up to be notified by text message when the court announces a closure or delay due to inclement weather.

*To enroll in this service, click [**here**](#) and follow these instructions:*

*Change the **Subscription Type** from "Email" to **"SMS/Text Message"**.*

*Enter your mobile phone number with area code in the **Wireless Number** box and click Submit.*

*On the following screen, you will be asked to confirm your wireless number by entering it in the **Confirm Wireless Number** box. Confirm your number by re-entering it and click Submit. You will receive a confirmation text message on your mobile device.*

There is no cost from the court for this service; however, your wireless carrier's standard message and data rates may apply.

On a Personal Note

Join us in congratulating Dawn Barnes, Case Administrator in the Raleigh office, who married Mark Wright on May 19, 2018! Please note Dawn's new email address below:

Dawn_Wright@nceb.uscourts.gov

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

Q. I am reviewing the Attorney Training Manual on the website, and the event I need to docket is not there. Can it be added?

A. Yes, please contact Kelly Shum-Drake via email with your request.

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