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## Case Statistics

December, 2019		Year to Date	
Ch. 7	135	Ch. 7	1933
Ch. 11	7	Ch. 11	76
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	9
Ch. 13	310	Ch. 13	3922
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>5940</b>

## Rule and Form Changes

*On August 23, 2019, the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019 was signed into law. This creates a new subchapter V of Chapter 11 for the reorganization of small business debtors. It goes into effect on **February 19, 2020.***

*The Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules recommended changes to Rule 1007, Rule 1020, Rule 2009, Rule 2012, Rule 2015, Rule 3010, Rule 3011, Rule 3014, Rule 3016, Rule 3017.1, new Rule 3017.2, Rule 3018 and Rule 3019.*

*The Advisory Committee also recommended changes to Official Forms 101, 201, 309E (renumbered 309E1), 314, 315 and 425A and new Official Forms 309E2 and 309F2.*

*More information regarding the rule and form changes may be found by clicking [here](#). The court has adopted these suggested amendments as Interim Rules until such time as the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure are formally amended.*

## **Procedure Change: Compensation of Professionals**

*The section of the Administrative Guide for the EDNC entitled “Compensation of Professionals [2016-1]” was amended effective January 1, 2020. The document may be viewed by clicking on the below link.*

<https://www.nceb.uscourts.gov/sites/nceb/files/LocalRules2016-1.pdf>

## **Internet Payments**

*If you are paying filing fees in CM/ECF and the payment screen appears to be frozen and then cancels out, please contact the court prior to trying to make the payment again. We can confirm whether or not the payment actually went through. If you process the payment again, there may be a duplicate payment made and a Motion for Refund required. The cause of this is being researched by the CM/ECF developers.*

## **Written Opinions Report**

*Please be aware that you may opt to receive a scheduled report via email for all Written Opinions that are filed in cases before the court. This weekly report includes all Written Opinions entered during the prior week. Please contact Kelly Shum-Drake or Donna Skinner by email if you would like to be added to the list of recipients for this report.*

## **From the Local Rules Committee**

*The new Local Rules Committee has begun work, and welcomes any suggestions you may have. If you wish to contact someone on the committee, please see the list [here](#).*

*Additionally, updates to the Local Rules will only be released on December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year versus periodically throughout the year, in order to coincide with the Federal Rules Update.*

## QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

**Q.** I am filing a Notice of Appearance in a case on behalf of the following creditor. Is it necessary for me to enter the full name when adding the creditor to the case?

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Servicer for Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Wachovia Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.")

**A.** No. The court prefers that the creditor be entered into the database without servicers, successors, etc. Also, quotations should be omitted, as they create issues with the online Proof of Claim feature. In this case, entering the creditor as Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is sufficient.

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