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#### Case Statistics

May, 2020		Year to Date	
Ch. 7	142	Ch. 7	764
Ch. 11	6	Ch. 11	19
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	1
Ch. 13	180	Ch. 13	1319
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	328	Total	2103

# Extension of General Order Temporarily Suspending Original Signatures

A general order was issued on May 29, 2020 by the Judges for the EDNC. This general order extends the previous order temporarily suspending the requirement to obtain original signatures from debtors for electronic filings. The order is now in effect through June 30, 2020. It may be viewed by clicking here.

## **Order for Loan Modification**

The order for loan modification management (LMM) has been revised to include additional paragraphs 16 and 17. The updated order is available on the court's website under local forms and may be viewed at the link below.

https://www.nceb.uscourts.gov/local-forms

#### **Court Hearings**

The court began holding live, in-person hearings at the Raleigh and Greenville courthouses on June 1, 2020. The court will continue to schedule telephonic and video hearings, at its discretion, and the manner and mode of hearings will be indicated on the calendars maintained on the court's website. Cases previously set for telephonic hearing in June will remain telephonic absent an order to the contrary. Parties may request that hearings be conducted by telephone or video. Parties appearing on video are required to wear courtroom attire.

The decision to return to live, in-person hearings may be impacted by the availability of court staff and facilities as well as any changes in COVID-19 case numbers, travel restrictions, or health warnings. In all cases, whether scheduled to be heard live or telephonic, any exhibits or other documentary evidence to be used at the hearing must be provided electronically to the court and parties in interest by 5:00 pm of the preceding business day.

Access to the courthouses will continue to be restricted to those persons not experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 and who have not been in recent contact with persons affected by the virus. Temporary removal of face coverings may be requested by the court to aid judicial business with assurance of safe social distancing. Any person requiring additional accommodations should contact the appropriate courtroom deputy for guidance.

Note: 341 meetings will continue to be conducted telephonically for the time being.

### QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

- **Q.** I filed a motion and received a deficiency notice regarding service. I am filing an amended Certificate of Service. Should it be docketed as a Supplement to Filing?
- **A.** No. The Certificate of Service event should be used. The Supplement to Filing event is only for use when a document was served with the motion, but was inadvertently omitted from the PDF when filing (ex. exhibit, creditor matrix).

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