

# ECF Court Link

#### DECEMBER 2, 2021

Eastern District

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## **Case Statistics**

November, 2021		Year to Date	
<i>Ch.</i> 7	62	<i>Ch.</i> 7	1089
Ch. 11	1	Ch. 11	35
Ch. 12	2	Ch. 12	7
Ch. 13	155	Ch. 13	1523
<i>Ch.</i> 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	220	Total	2654

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# <u>Extension of General Order Temporarily Suspending</u> <u>Original Signatures</u>

A general order was issued on December 1, 2021 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 applies nunc pro tunc to documents filed between September 1, 2021 and the order date. The wet signature requirement will be reinstated on January 1, 2022.

#### Local Rules Amendments

The Local Rules for the Eastern District of North Carolina have been updated effective December 1, 2021. A copy of the amendments may be viewed by clicking the below link.

https://www.nceb.uscourts.gov/sites/nceb/files/2021\_amendments.pdf

#### Amendments to Federal Rules of Practice and Procedure

Congress has taken no action on the proposed amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate and Bankruptcy Procedure adopted by the Supreme Court and transmitted to Congress on April 14, 2021. Under the Rules Enabling Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2071-75, the following took effect on December 1, 2021:

<u>Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure</u> Rule 3 Appeal as of Right—How Taken Rule 6 Appeal in a Bankruptcy Case Form 1A Notice of Appeal to a Court of Appeals From a Judgment of a District Court Form 1B Notice of Appeal to a Court of Appeals From an Appealable Order of a District Court Form 2 Notice of Appeal to a Court of Appeals From a Decision of the United States Tax Court

<u>Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure</u> Rule 2005 Apprehension and Removal of Debtor to Compel Attendance for Examination Rule 3007 Objections to Claims Rule 7007.1 Corporate Ownership Statement Rule 9036 Notice and Service by Electronic Transmission

Under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2074(a) and 2075, and the Supreme Court orders dated April 14, 2021, the amendments govern all proceedings commenced on or after December 1, 2021, and all proceedings then pending "insofar as just and practicable." The text of the amended rules, and the accompanying committee notes—along with extensive supporting documentation related to their adoption—are posted on the "Current Rules" page of the Judiciary's website at: <u>https://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/current-rules-practiceprocedure</u>.

In addition, one amended official bankruptcy form became effective on December 1, 2021. As approved by the Judicial Conference, amendments to official bankruptcy forms govern all proceedings in bankruptcy cases thereafter commenced and, insofar as just and practicable, all proceedings then pending. The form is posted on the website at: <u>https://www.uscourts.gov/forms/bankruptcy-forms</u>.

<u>Official Bankruptcy Form</u> Official Form 122B Chapter 11 Statement of Current Monthly Income

### **Holiday Office Closures**

The clerk's office for the Eastern District of North Carolina will be closed beginning on Thursday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and will remain closed through Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup> for the Christmas holiday. We will reopen for business on Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup>.

Additionally, the clerk's office will be closed beginning on Thursday, December 30<sup>th</sup> and will remain closed through Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> for the New Year's holiday. We will reopen for business on Monday, January 3<sup>rd.</sup>

#### **2022 Court Holidays**

Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> - New Year's Day Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> - Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> – President's Day Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> – Juneteenth Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> – Independence Day Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup> - Labor Day Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> – Columbus Day Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Veteran's Day Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Day Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day

#### **Attorney Scheduled Leave**

Please inform the courtroom staff of your secured leave for 2022 as soon as possible to help avoid any potential scheduling conflicts. Contact information is as follows:

Judge Warren: <u>NCEBml\_CourtroomStaff\_DMW@nceb.uscourts.gov</u>

Judge Callaway: <u>NCEBml\_CourtroomStaff\_JNC@nceb.uscourts.gov</u>

Important: The proper way to contact courtroom staff is with the above email addresses. Please do not directly email an individual, in case that person is out of the office.

# **Updated Case Assignments**

Our case assignments changed effective December 1, 2021. Please review the updated list for Case Administrators and Operations Analysts below. If you have any questions relating to a specific case, please contact the appropriate person based on the last two digits of the case number.

Ending with:	Contact Person:	Email Address:	Phone:
00-02	Dawn Wright	Dawn_Wright@nceb.uscourts.gov	(919)334-3807
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21-33	Ahronda Crossman	Ahronda_Crossman@nceb.uscourts.gov	(919)334-3842
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66-80	Amy Bissette	Amy_Bissette@nceb.uscourts.gov	(919)334-3849
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97-99	Aileen Gibson	Aileen_Gibson@nceb.uscourts.gov	(919)334-3808

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### **<u>Reminder: ID Required</u>**

This should serve as a reminder that parties are required to present their ID's to the Court Security Officers in order to gain access to the courthouse. Attorneys should ensure that their clients are aware of the necessity of an ID when coming to court.

#### On a Personal Note

Congratulations to Wendy Parker, Case Analyst in the Raleigh office, and Cathy Barnes, Judicial Assistant to Judge Humrickhouse, who are both retiring effective December 31, 2021! Please join us in thanking Wendy and Cathy for their years of service to the court and wishing them both a wonderful retirement!

Roxanne Parker, Case Administrator for the Raleigh office, gave birth to a baby boy on November 27<sup>th..</sup> Congratulations to Roxanne and her family on their new addition!

#### CM/ECF Contacts:

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Christy Gurgone Telephone Number: (919)334-3848 E-Mail Address: <u>Christy Gurgone@nceb.uscourts.gov</u>

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