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Case Statistics

January, 2021		Year to Date	
Ch. 7	84	Ch. 7	84
Ch. 11	2	Ch. 11	2
Ch. 12	2	Ch. 12	2
Ch. 13	116	Ch. 13	116
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	204	Total	204

Quarterly Fee Schedule

The Bankruptcy Administration Improvement Act of 2020, Pub. L. No. 116-325, enacted on January 12, 2021, temporarily amended the calculation of chapter 11 quarterly fees for calendar quarters beginning April 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025. Under this amendment, the quarterly fee payable for a calendar quarter shall be the greater of: (1) 0.4% of disbursements or \$250 for each quarter in which disbursements total less than \$1,000,000, and (2) 0.8% of disbursements but not more than \$250,000 for each quarter in which disbursements total at least \$1,000,000. The following table displays the disbursement ranges and quarterly fees under the amended quarterly fee schedule for calendar quarters beginning April 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025.

TOTAL QUARTERLY DISBURSEMENTS	QUARTERLY FEE
\$0 to \$62,624	\$250
\$62,625 to \$999,999	0.4% of quarterly disbursements
\$1,000,000 to \$31,249,937	0.8% of quarterly disbursements
\$31,249,938 or more	\$250,000

The amended fee schedule applies to ALL PENDING CHAPTER 11 CASES except those filed under 11 U.S.C. §§1181 et. seq.

General Order

A General Order was entered on February 9, 2020 regarding procedures for the filing, service and management of highly sensitive documents. A copy of the order may be viewed by clicking [here](#).

Installment Payments

When an order is entered in a case allowing payment of the filing fee in installments, it is the preference of the court that the attorney for debtor pay the fees to the court using the applicable “Pay Fee – Installments” event in CM/ECF, rather than debtors sending payments directly to the court. The form orders regarding installments have been modified accordingly.

Calendar News: Changes, Changes, Changes!

You may have noticed that the internet calendars look a little different these days. That’s because the court is implementing a new web-based calendar program, CHAP, which closely integrates with CM/ECF! One important feature is that hearing dates and times assigned by the court staff on various motions can be selected from a drop-down box when e-filing.

Following normal procedure, obtain a hearing date from the appropriate courtroom staff. Then file the underlying Motion and related Application to Reduce Response Time. Once an order is entered reducing response time, the Notice of Motion may be filed. When arriving at the hearing information screen, a drop-down box will be provided so that the appropriate hearing information may be selected. After verifying the information, the hearing information is populated with a simple click!

With motions that do not require a reduced notice, obtain the hearing information from the courtroom staff prior to filing the motion as usual. As indicated above, a drop-down box in the event will allow the hearing information to populate with one click.

We are excited to implement CHAP and hope you will like it as well.

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

Q. I am filing a motion to refinance a mortgage with a creditor. What motion event in CM/ECF should I use?

A. If the debtor is participating in the Loan Modification Management Program (LMM), the *Authorize Loan Modification* event should be used. In all other cases, the *Refinance or Modify Mortgage/Loan* event should be used.

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