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#### Case Statistics

|        |     | Year to Date |     |
|--------|-----|--------------|-----|
| Ch. 7  | 52  | Ch. 7        | 52  |
| Ch. 11 | 0   | Ch. 11       | 0   |
| Ch. 12 | 0   | Ch. 12       | 0   |
| Ch. 13 | 156 | Ch. 13       | 156 |
| Ch. 9  | 0   | Ch. 9        | 0   |
| Ch. 15 | 0   | Ch. 15       | 0   |
| Total  | 208 | Total        | 208 |

## **CM/ECF and Internet Browsers**

The Helpdesk receives a lot of calls regarding certain features not working properly in CM/ECF. A great deal of the time, this is due to the internet browser the filer is using. Please note the below browsers that are supported and have been tested with CM/ECF.

Internet Explorer 11
Edge 84.0.522.40 - 85.0.564.51
Firefox 78.0.2 - 80.0.1
Chrome 84.0.4147.89 - 85.0.4183.102

**Note:** Safari is supported, but has not been tested.

Please be aware that there are some functions in CM/ECF that still may not work properly in Edge or Chrome. Court users find that Internet Explorer and Firefox seem to be the most compatible and have the fewest filing issues.

#### Sale Motions and Orders

Please note the below directives from the Judges with regard to sale motions and their corresponding orders.

(1)Buyer Protection Language. No buyer protection language should be included in any motion or order unless the movant has provided sufficient justification for the inclusion of that language. An example of the language that will not be approved is as follows: "The Buyers will not have any responsibility for any liabilities or obligations of the Debtor, whether in rem or in personam."

(2)Sales Free and Clear of Liens. Only the specific and enumerated liens, ether perfected or inchoate, should be included in any motion or order for the sale of assets free and clear of liens. The court will not enter an order that provides that the sale is free and clear of "all liens."

#### Reminder re: Order Requirements

A great deal of errors have been reported recently with regard to proposed orders. Please take some time to review the order requirements set out on the court's website by clicking the link below. Please ensure that you thoroughly proofread orders prior to uploading in order to avoid spelling or grammatical errors and improper formatting, especially with respect to the 3 inch margin. Also, since there have been Judge reassignments recently, please ensure that the captions of all orders reflect the correct Judge's initials.

https://www.nceb.uscourts.gov/order-requirements

### 341 Meetings

341 meetings are currently being scheduled via Zoom. Please be advised that 341s will revert back to in-person meetings on May 1, 2022, unless otherwise ordered by the court.

#### QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

- **Q.** When I file a motion, do I need to upload the notice, certificate of service and any exhibits as separate attachments?
- **A.** No. The court prefers that all pleadings be filed as one PDF document whenever possible. The only exception would be files that are too large to upload all at once.

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