

# **ECF Court Link**

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## Case Statistics

February, 2023 Year to Date

Ch. 7	82	Ch. 7	137
Ch. 11	9	Ch. 11	11
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	1
Ch. 13	243	Ch. 13	418
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	304	Total	567

March, 2023 Year to Date

Ch. 7	91	Ch. 7	228
Ch. 11	4	Ch. 11	15
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	1
Ch. 13	213	Ch. 13	661
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	338	Total	905

April, 2023 Year to Date

<i>Ch.</i> 7	67	<i>Ch.</i> 7	294
Ch. 11	3	Ch. 11	18
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	1
Ch. 13	202	Ch. 13	864
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	272	Total	1177

May, 2023 Year to Date

Ch. 7	92	Ch. 7	387
Ch. 11	2	Ch. 11	19
Ch. 12	1	Ch. 12	2
Ch. 13	239	Ch. 13	1103
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
Total	334	Total	1511

#### Courtroom Reminders

<u>Court Dates</u>: Chapter 13 confirmation hearings and motions days may be found on the court's website. For hearing dates on Motions to Extend Stay, Chapter 11 first day motions or expedited matters, contact the courtroom staff via email.

Motions to Continue: These should be filed by noon on the day before the hearing, should indicate that all parties consent and should provide a reason for the continuance. A courtesy copy should be emailed to the courtroom staff.

<u>Consent Orders</u>: These should be uploaded by noon on the day before the hearing and a courtesy copy should be emailed to the courtroom staff.

Please use the below emails to contact courtroom staff regarding hearings. Multiple people monitor these, and it's the best way to receive a prompt response.

Judge Warren:

NCEBml\_CourtroomStaff\_DMW@nceb.uscourts.gov

Judge Callaway:

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

Judge McAfee:

NCEBml\_CourtroomStaff\_PWM@nceb.uscourts.gov

Courtroom Appearances: You must be physically present in court if you wish to participate in hearings. You must be punctual. Please arrive early enough to confer with opposing counsel prior to the hearing. If additional time is needed, advise the Courtroom Deputy. Also, the courtroom staff should be notified if a matter will take more than 15 minutes to argue.

Judges and chambers staff spend a significant amount of time preparing for court. If you know that a matter will be resolved or will require a continuance, please advise the courtroom staff as early as possible.

## Motions to Reduce Response Time/Expedite Hearing

A Motion to Reduce Response Time should be filed as a separate motion, and a proposed order should be uploaded. If you are also including a Motion for Expedited Hearing, both events must be selected when filing. The underlying motion should be filed contemporaneously as a separate docket entry, and no notice should be provided. Courtroom staff will notify you once the order is entered allowing the motion. At that time, you may file the notice of motion containing the reduced response time and expedited hearing information, if applicable. A Certificate of Service should also be attached.

## **Case Administration Reminders:**

- Certificates of Service should be filed IN A TIMELY MANNER, especially when serving orders continuing a 341 meeting or confirmation hearing.
- Responses to motions should contain a more substantial reason other than "a hearing is requested".
- Motions to incur debt should contain as much specific information as possible (interest rate, payment, terms).
- On applications for compensation, please ensure the correct applicant is selected and the correct amounts requested are entered. Also, do not select the Application for Administrative Expenses event to request compensation.
- A motion to approve consent order requires that two orders be uploaded; one allowing the motion and the consent order itself.
- If a debtor passes away, the Notice of Death of Debtor event should be docketed.
- Requests for name changes for debtors are now required to be filed as motions.

#### **Proposed Orders**

Please take the time to review the order requirements posted on the court's website. Some important things to note:

Proposed orders should be properly formatted with a 3 inch margin at the top of the first page and "End of Document" centered on the page after the last line of text.

The correct case number and division should be contained in the caption, and the text of the order should be proofread to ensure there are no spelling or grammatical errors.

## **CHAP Mobile**

This is a reminder that there is a mobile calendar App available to you. Chap Mobile offers a central location for on-demand viewing of bankruptcy hearings and 341 Meetings. Using the App eliminates time-consuming searches on court websites. It offers attorneys, trustees and other partners of the bankruptcy court free and efficient tracking of upcoming hearings. You can save and track favorite cases and debtors, as well as view upcoming hearings. The App offers easy search tools and custom settings for a streamlined and consistent user experience. Chap Mobile is available for download for both iPhone users and Android Users.

## **Holiday Closures**

The court will be closed on Monday, June 19th in observance of Juneteenth.

The court will also be closed on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day. We will resume normal business hours on Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### 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?

WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESOR TRUSTEE TO CITIBANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-FF12

**A.** No. The court prefers that the creditor be entered into the database without servicers, successors, etc. The creditor should not be entered in all CAPS. Also, quotations should be omitted, as they create issues with the online Proof of Claim feature. In this case, entering the creditor as Wilmington Trust, National Association is sufficient.

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