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## Case Statistics

### August, 2023

August, 2023		Year to Date	
Ch. 7	108	Ch. 7	654
Ch. 11	2	Ch. 11	30
Ch. 12	0	Ch. 12	2
Ch. 13	275	Ch. 13	1845
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2531</b>

### September, 2023

September, 2023		Year to Date	
Ch. 7	58	Ch. 7	712
Ch. 11	4	Ch. 11	34
Ch. 12	3	Ch. 12	5
Ch. 13	240	Ch. 13	2085
Ch. 9	0	Ch. 9	0
Ch. 15	0	Ch. 15	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2836</b>

## On a Personal Note

*Congratulations to Lisa Payne, Courtroom Deputy for Judge Callaway, who is retiring. Her last day in the office will be November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please join us in thanking Lisa for her years of service to the court and wishing her a wonderful retirement!*

*Please join the court in welcoming Morgan Mumford, who began serving as law clerk to Judge Callaway on September 11<sup>th</sup>.*

*Also, please join us in welcoming Yorlibeth Martinez, who began serving as law clerk to Judge McAfee on September 11<sup>th</sup>.*

### **Adjustments to Miscellaneous Fees**

*At its March 2023 and September 2023 sessions, the Judicial Conference approved inflationary adjustments to fees on the appellate, district, and bankruptcy court miscellaneous fee schedules, as well as on the Court of Federal Claims and the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation miscellaneous fee schedules. The below changes will become effective on **December 1, 2023.***

<i><b>Item</b></i>	<i><b>Current Fee</b></i>	<i><b>New Fee</b></i>
<i>For reproducing and transmitting in any manner a copy of an electronic record stored outside of the court's electronic case management system</i>	\$31	\$33
<i>Certification</i>	\$11	\$12
<i>Exemplification</i>	\$23	\$24
<i>Audio Recording</i>	\$32	\$34
<i>Amended Schedules</i>	\$32	\$34
<i>Record Search</i>	\$32	\$34
<i>Miscellaneous Proceeding</i>	\$49	\$52
<i>For retrieval of one box from a Federal Records Center, National Archives or other storage location removed from the place of business of the court</i>	\$64	\$70
<i>For retrievals involving multiple boxes</i>	\$39	\$43
<i>For electronic retrievals</i>	\$10	\$11
<i>Additional fee upon notice from the court of appeals that a direct appeal or direct cross-appeal has been authorized</i>	\$207	\$307
<i>Motion for Relief from Stay</i>	\$188	\$199
<i>Motion to Abandon</i>	\$188	\$199
<i>Motion to Withdraw Reference</i>	\$188	\$199
<i>Motion to Sell Free &amp; Clear</i>	\$188	\$199
<i>Claims Transfer</i>	\$26	\$28
<i>Motion to Redact</i>	\$26	\$28

## **Cases Closing Without Discharge**

*So far this year, there have been **45** Chapter 13 cases closed without entry of a discharge for failure to file the Certification Regarding Discharges in Prior Cases and Payment of Domestic Support Obligations. When the trustee files the notice that the plan is nearing completion, the certification should be served on the debtor(s) and the completed document signed and filed as soon as possible. If the certification has still not been filed upon expiration of the response deadline on the Trustee's Final Report, the case will be closed without entry of the discharge. **Please be advised that the clerk's office will not contact attorneys to remind them of this deadline.** Once the case has been closed, in order for the debtor(s) to receive a discharge, a Motion to Reopen will need to be filed and the associated fee paid.*

### **QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:**

**Q.** I received a deficiency notice for service and need to file an amended certificate of service. Do I refer that back to the deficiency notice?

**A.** No. A certificate of service should always refer back to the document being served.

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