### INTERIM AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE<sup>1</sup>

1	Rule 1007. Lists, Schedules, Statements, and Other
2	Documents; Time Limits
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4	(b) SCHEDULES, STATEMENTS, AND OTHER
5	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED.
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7	(5) An individual debtor in a chapter 11 case
8	(unless under subchapter V) shall file a statement of
9	current monthly income, prepared as prescribed by
10	the appropriate Official Form.
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These interim bankruptcy rules (the Interim Rules) have been prepared by the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules and approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States to be adopted as local rules by the Bankruptcy Courts to implement the procedural and substantive changes to the Bankruptcy Code made by the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019. The Interim Rules will be withdrawn after similar amendments can made to the Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure under the normal Rules Enabling Act process. New material is underlined in red; matter to be omitted is lined through.

(h) INTERESTS ACQUIRED OR ARISING 12 AFTER PETITION. If, as provided by § 541(a)(5) of the 13 Code, the debtor acquires or becomes entitled to acquire any 14 15 interest in property, the debtor shall within 14 days after the information comes to the debtor's knowledge or within such 16 further time the court may allow, file a supplemental 17 schedule in the chapter 7 liquidation case, chapter 11 18 reorganization case, chapter 12 family farmer's debt 19 20 adjustment case, or chapter 13 individual debt adjustment 21 case. If any of the property required to be reported under 22 this subdivision is claimed by the debtor as exempt, the debtor shall claim the exemptions in the supplemental 23 schedule. The This duty to file a supplemental schedule-in 24 accordance with this subdivision continues even after the 25 case is closed, except for property acquired after an order is 26 27 entered: notwithstanding the closing of the case, except that

28 the schedule need not be filed in a chapter 11, chapter 12, or

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29	chapter 13 case with respect to property acquired after entry
30	of the order
31	(1) confirming a chapter 11 plan (other than one
32	confirmed under § 1191(b)); or
33	(2) discharging the debtor in a chapter 12 case, or a
34	chapter 13 case, or a case under subchapter V of
35	chapter 11 in which the plan is confirmed under
36	<u>§ 1191(b)</u> .
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The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. As amended, subdivision (b)(5) of the rule includes an exception for subchapter V cases. Because Code § 1129(a)(15) is inapplicable to such cases, there is no need for an individual debtor in a subchapter V case to file a statement of current monthly income.

Subdivision (h) is amended to provide that the duty to file a supplemental schedule under the rule terminates upon confirmation of the plan in a subchapter V case, unless the plan is confirmed under § 1191(b), in which case it terminates upon discharge as provided in § 1192.

### 1 Rule 1020. Small Business Chapter 11 Reorganization

#### 2 Case for Small Business Debtors

SMALL BUSINESS DEBTOR 3 (a) DESIGNATION. In a voluntary chapter 11 case, the debtor 4 shall state in the petition whether the debtor is a small 5 business debtor and, if so, whether the debtor elects to have 6 7 subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. In an involuntary chapter 8 11 case, the debtor shall file within 14 days after entry of the 9 order for relief a statement as to whether the debtor is a small business debtor and, if so, whether the debtor elects to have 10 subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. Except as provided in 11 subdivision (c), the The status of the case as a small business 12 case or a case under subchapter V of chapter 11 shall be in 13 accordance with the debtor's statement under this 14 subdivision, unless and until the court enters an order finding 15 that the debtor's statement is incorrect. 16 (b) OBJECTING TO DESIGNATION. Except as 17

18 provided in subdivision (c), the <u>The</u> United States trustee or

19	a party in interest may file an objection to the debtor's
20	statement under subdivision (a) no later than 30 days after
21	the conclusion of the meeting of creditors held under
22	§ 341(a) of the Code, or within 30 days after any amendment
23	to the statement, whichever is later.

(c) APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF 24 UNSECURED CREDITORS. If a committee of unsecured 25 26 creditors has been appointed under § 1102(a)(1), the case 27 shall proceed as a small business case only if, and from the time when, the court enters an order determining that the 28 committee has not been sufficiently active and 29 30 representative to provide effective oversight of the debtor and that the debtor satisfies all the other requirements for 31 32 being a small business. A request for a determination under 33 this subdivision may be filed by the United States trustee or 34 a party in interest only within a reasonable time after the failure of the committee to be sufficiently active and 35 representative. The debtor may file a request for a 36

37	determination at any time as to whether the committee has
38	been sufficiently active and representative.
39	(dc) PROCEDURE FOR OBJECTION OR
40	DETERMINATION. Any objection or request for a
41	determination under this rule shall be governed by Rule 9014
42	and served on: the debtor; the debtor's attorney; the United
43	States trustee; the trustee; the creditors included on the list
44	filed under Rule 1007(d) or, if any a committee has been
45	appointed under § 1102(a)(3), the committee or its
46	authorized agent, or, if no committee of unsecured creditors
47	has been appointed under § 1102, the creditors included on
48	the list filed under Rule 1007(d); and any other entity as the
49	court directs.

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019 ("SBRA"), Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. The title and subdivision (a) of the rule are amended to include that option and to require a small business debtor to state in its voluntary petition, or in a statement filed within 14 days after the order for relief is

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entered in an involuntary case, whether it elects to proceed under subchapter V. The rule does not address whether the court, on a case-by-case basis, may allow a debtor to make an election to proceed under subchapter V after the times specified in subdivision (a) or, if it can, under what conditions.

Former subdivision (c) of the rule is deleted because the existence or level of activity of a creditors' committee is no longer a criterion for small-business-debtor status. The SBRA eliminated that portion of the definition of "small business debtor" in § 101(51D) of the Code.

Former subdivision (d) is redesignated as subdivision (c), and the list of entities to be served is revised to reflect that in most small business and subchapter V cases there will not be a committee of creditors.

#### 1 Rule 2009. Trustees for Estates When Joint 2 **Administration Ordered**

ELECTION OF SINGLE TRUSTEE FOR 3 (a) ESTATES BEING JOINTLY ADMINISTERED. If the 4 court orders a joint administration of two or more estates 5 under Rule 1015(b), creditors may elect a single trustee for 6 7 the estates being jointly administered, unless the case is 8 under subchapter V of chapter 7 or subchapter V of chapter 9 11 of the Code.

RIGHT OF CREDITORS TO ELECT 10 (b) SEPARATE TRUSTEE. Notwithstanding entry of an order 11 for joint administration under Rule 1015(b), the creditors of 12 any debtor may elect a separate trustee for the estate of the 13 debtor as provided in § 702 of the Code, unless the case is 14 under subchapter V of chapter 7 or subchapter V of chapter 15 16 11. APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES FOR

17 (c) ESTATES BEING JOINTLY ADMINISTERED. 18

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20	(2) Chapter 11 Reorganization Cases. If the
21	appointment of a trustee is ordered or is required by
22	the Code, the United States trustee may appoint one
23	or more trustees for estates being jointly
24	administered in chapter 11 cases.
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The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. In a case under that subchapter, § 1183 of the Code requires the United States trustee to appoint a trustee, so there will be no election. Accordingly, subdivisions (a) and (b) of the rule are amended to except cases under subchapter V from their coverage. Subdivision (c)(2), which addresses the appointment of trustees in jointly administered chapter 11 cases, is amended to make it applicable to cases under subchapter V.

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#### 1 Rule 2012. Substitution of Trustee or Successor

#### 2 Trustee; Accounting

3 (a) TRUSTEE. If a trustee is appointed in a chapter

4 11 case (other than under subchapter V), or the debtor is

5 removed as debtor in possession in a chapter 12 case or in a

6 case under subchapter V of chapter 11, the trustee is

7 substituted automatically for the debtor in possession as a

8 party in any pending action, proceeding, or matter.

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#### **Committee Note**

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. Subdivision (a) of the rule is amended to include any case under that subchapter in which the debtor is removed as debtor in possession under § 1185 of the Code.

1	Rule 2015. Duty to Keep Records, Make Reports, and
2	Give Notice of Case or Change of Status
3	(a) TRUSTEE OR DEBTOR IN POSSESSION. A
4	trustee or debtor in possession shall:
5	(1) in a chapter 7 liquidation case and, if the
6	court directs, in a chapter 11 reorganization case
7	(other than under subchapter V), file and transmit to
8	the United States trustee a complete inventory of the
9	property of the debtor within 30 days after qualifying
10	as a trustee or debtor in possession, unless such an
11	inventory has already been filed;
12	(2) keep a record of receipts and the
13	disposition of money and property received;
14	(3) file the reports and summaries required by
15	§ 704(a)(8) of the Code, which shall include a
16	statement, if payments are made to employees, of the
17	amounts of deductions for all taxes required to be

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18	withheld or paid for and in behalf of employees and
19 t	the place where these amounts are deposited;
20	(4) as soon as possible after the
21	commencement of the case, give notice of the case to
22	every entity known to be holding money or property
23	subject to withdrawal or order of the debtor,
24	including every bank, savings or building and loan
25	association, public utility company, and landlord
26	with whom the debtor has a deposit, and to every
27	insurance company which has issued a policy having
28	a cash surrender value payable to the debtor, except
29	that notice need not be given to any entity who has
30	knowledge or has previously been notified of the
31	case;
32	(5) in a chapter 11 reorganization case (other
33	than under subchapter V), on or before the last day
34	of the month after each calendar quarter during
35	which there is a duty to pay fees under 28 U.S.C.

36	§ 1930(a)(6), file and transmit to the United States
37	trustee a statement of any disbursements made
38	during that quarter and of any fees payable under 28
39	U.S.C. § 1930(a)(6) for that quarter; and
40	(6) in a chapter 11 small business case, unless
41	the court, for cause, sets another reporting interval,
42	file and transmit to the United States trustee for each
43	calendar month after the order for relief, on the
44	appropriate Official Form, the report required by
45	§ 308. If the order for relief is within the first 15 days
46	of a calendar month, a report shall be filed for the
47	portion of the month that follows the order for relief.
48	If the order for relief is after the 15th day of a
49	calendar month, the period for the remainder of the
50	month shall be included in the report for the next
51	calendar month. Each report shall be filed no later
52	than 21 days after the last day of the calendar month
53	following the month covered by the report. The

54	obligation to file reports under this subparagraph
55	terminates on the effective date of the plan, or
56	conversion or dismissal of the case.
57	(b) TRUSTEE, DEBTOR IN POSSESSION, AND
58	DEBTOR IN A CASE UNDER SUBCHAPTER V OF
59	CHAPTER 11. In a case under subchapter V of chapter 11,
60	the debtor in possession shall perform the duties prescribed
61	in (a)(2)-(4) and, if the court directs, shall file and transmit
62	to the United States trustee a complete inventory of the
63	debtor's property within the time fixed by the court. If the
64	debtor is removed as debtor in possession, the trustee shall
65	perform the duties of the debtor in possession prescribed in
66	this subdivision (b). The debtor shall perform the duties
67	prescribed in (a)(6).
68	(bc) CHAPTER 12 TRUSTEE AND DEBTOR IN
69	POSSESSION. In a chapter 12 family farmer's debt
70	adjustment case, the debtor in possession shall perform the
71	duties prescribed in clauses (2)–(4) of subdivision (a) of this

72	rule and, if the court directs, shall file and transmit to the
73	United States trustee a complete inventory of the property of
74	the debtor within the time fixed by the court. If the debtor is
75	removed as debtor in possession, the trustee shall perform
76	the duties of the debtor in possession prescribed in this
77	<del>paragraph</del> subdivision (c).
78	(ed) CHAPTER 13 TRUSTEE AND
79	DEBTOR.
80	(1) Business Cases. In a chapter 13
81	individual's debt adjustment case, when the debtor is
82	engaged in business, the debtor shall perform the
83	duties prescribed by clauses (2)-(4) of subdivision
84	(a) of this rule and, if the court directs, shall file and
85	transmit to the United States trustee a complete
86	inventory of the property of the debtor within the
87	time fixed by the court.
88	(2) Nonbusiness Cases. In a chapter 13
89	individual's debt adjustment case, when the debtor is

90	not engaged in business, the trustee shall perform the
91	duties prescribed by clause (2) of subdivision (a) of
92	this rule.

93 (de) FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE. In a case in
94 which the court has granted recognition of a foreign
95 proceeding under chapter 15, the foreign representative shall
96 file any notice required under § 1518 of the Code within 14
97 days after the date when the representative becomes aware
98 of the subsequent information.

(ef) TRANSMISSION OF REPORTS. In a chapter 99 11 case the court may direct that copies or summaries of 100 annual reports and copies or summaries of other reports shall 101 be mailed to the creditors, equity security holders, and 102 103 indenture trustees. The court may also direct the publication of summaries of any such reports. A copy of every report or 104 summary mailed or published pursuant to this subdivision 105 106 shall be transmitted to the United States trustee.

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. Subdivision (b) is amended to prescribe the duties of a debtor in possession, trustee, and debtor in a subchapter V case. Those cases are excepted from subdivision (a) because, unlike other chapter 11 cases, there will generally be both a trustee and a debtor in possession. Subdivision (b) also reflects that § 1187 of the Code prescribes reporting duties for the debtor in a subchapter V case.

Former subdivisions (b), (c), (d), and (e) are redesignated (c), (d), (e), and (f) respectively.

1	Rule 3010. Small Dividends and Payments in Cases
2	<u>Under Chapter 7 Liquidation, Subchapter V of Chapter</u>
3	11, Chapter 12 Family Farmer's Debt Adjustment, and
4	Chapter 13 Individual's Debt Adjustment Cases
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6	(b) <u>CASES UNDER SUBCHAPTER V OF</u>
7	CHAPTER 11, CHAPTER 12, AND CHAPTER 13
8	CASES. In a case under subchapter V of chapter 11, chapter
9	12, or chapter 13, case no payment in an amount less than
10	\$15 shall be distributed by the trustee to any creditor unless
11	authorized by local rule or order of the court. Funds not
12	distributed because of this subdivision shall accumulate and
13	shall be paid whenever the accumulation aggregates \$15.
14	Any funds remaining shall be distributed with the final
15	payment.

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. To avoid the undue cost and inconvenience of distributing small payments, the title and subdivision (b) are amended to include subchapter V cases.

1	Rule 3011. Unclaimed Funds in <u>Cases Under</u> Chapter 7
2	Liquidation, Subchapter V of Chapter 11, Chapter 12
3	Family Farmer's Debt Adjustment, and Chapter 13
4	Individual's Debt Adjustment Cases
5	The trustee shall file a list of all known names and
6	addresses of the entities and the amounts which they are
7	entitled to be paid from remaining property of the estate that
8	is paid into court pursuant to § 347(a) of the Code.

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. The rule is amended to include such cases because § 347(a) of the Code applies to them.

Rule 3014. Election Under § 1111(b) by Secured
 Creditor in Chapter 9 Municipality or Chapter 11
 Reorganization Case

An election of application of § 1111(b)(2) of the 4 Code by a class of secured creditors in a chapter 9 or 11 case 5 may be made at any time prior to the conclusion of the 6 7 hearing on the disclosure statement or within such later time as the court may fix. If the disclosure statement is 8 conditionally approved pursuant to Rule 3017.1, and a final 9 hearing on the disclosure statement is not held, the election 10 of application of § 1111(b)(2) may be made not later than the 11 date fixed pursuant to Rule 3017.1(a)(2) or another date the 12 court may fix. In a case under subchapter V of chapter 11 in 13 which § 1125 of the Code does not apply, the election may 14 be made not later than a date the court may fix. The election 15 shall be in writing and signed unless made at the hearing on 16 the disclosure statement. The election, if made by the 17

- 18 majorities required by § 1111(b)(1)(A)(i), shall be binding
- 19 on all members of the class with respect to the plan.

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. Because there generally will not be a disclosure statement in a subchapter V case, *see* § 1181(b) of the Code, the rule is amended to provide a deadline for making an election under § 1111(b) in such cases that is set by the court. Rule 3016. Filing of Plan and Disclosure Statement in a
 Chapter 9 Municipality or Chapter 11 Reorganization
 Case

4 (a) IDENTIFICATION OF PLAN. Every proposed
5 plan and any modification thereof shall be dated and, in a
6 chapter 11 case, identified with the name of the entity or
7 entities submitting or filing it.

(b) DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. In a chapter 9 or 8 11 case, a disclosure statement, if required under § 1125 of 9 the Code, or evidence showing compliance with § 1126(b) 10 shall be filed with the plan or within a time fixed by the 11 court, unless the plan is intended to provide adequate 12 information under  $\S$  1125(f)(1). If the plan is intended to 13 provide adequate information under § 1125(f)(1), it shall be 14 so designated, and Rule 3017.1 shall apply as if the plan is a 15 disclosure statement. 16

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18	(d) STANDARD FORM SMALL BUSINESS
19	DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND PLAN. In a small
20	business case or a case under subchapter V of chapter 11, the
21	court may approve a disclosure statement and may confirm
22	a plan that conform substantially to the appropriate Official
23	Forms or other standard forms approved by the court.

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. Subdivision (b) of the rule is amended to reflect that under § 1181(b) of the Code, § 1125 does not apply to subchapter V cases (and thus a disclosure statement is not required) unless the court for cause orders otherwise. Subdivision (d) is amended to include subchapter V cases as ones in which Official Forms are available for a reorganization plan and, when required, a disclosure statement.

1	Rule 3017.1. Court Consideration of Disclosure
2	Statement in a Small Business Case <u>or in a Case Under</u>
3	Subchapter V of Chapter 11
4	(a) CONDITIONAL APPROVAL OF
5	DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. In a small business case or
6	in a case under subchapter V of chapter 11 in which the court
7	has ordered that § 1125 applies, the court may, on
8	application of the plan proponent or on its own initiative,
9	conditionally approve a disclosure statement filed in
10	accordance with Rule 3016. On or before conditional
11	approval of the disclosure statement, the court shall:
12	(1) fix a time within which the holders of claims and
13	interests may accept or reject the plan;
14	(2) fix a time for filing objections to the disclosure
15	statement;
16	(3) fix a date for the hearing on final approval of the
17	disclosure statement to be held if a timely objection
18	is filed; and

(4) fix a date for the hearing on confirmation.

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#### **Committee Note**

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. The title and subdivision (a) of the rule are amended to cover such cases when the court orders that  $\S$  1125 of the Code applies.

1	Rule 3017.2. Fixing of Dates by the Court in Subchapter
2	V Cases in Which There Is No Disclosure Statement
3	In a case under subchapter V of chapter 11 in which
4	§ 1125 does not apply, the court shall:
5	(a) fix a time within which the holders of claims
6	and interests may accept or reject the plan;
7	(b) fix a date on which an equity security holder
8	or creditor whose claim is based on a security must
9	be the holder of record of the security in order to be
10	eligible to accept or reject the plan;
11	(c) fix a date for the hearing on confirmation; and
12	(d) fix a date for transmission of the plan, notice
13	of the time within which the holders of claims and
14	interests may accept or reject the plan, and notice of
15	the date for the hearing on confirmation.

The rule is added in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter

V of chapter 11. Because there generally will not be a disclosure statement in a subchapter V case, *see* § 1181(b) of the Code, the rule is added to authorize the court in such a case to act at a time other than when a disclosure statement is approved to set certain times and dates.

1	Rule 3018. Acceptance or Rejection of Plan in a Chapter
2	9 Municipality or a Chapter 11 Reorganization Case
3	(a) ENTITIES ENTITLED TO ACCEPT OR
4	REJECT PLAN; TIME FOR ACCEPTANCE OR
5	REJECTION. A plan may be accepted or rejected in
6	accordance with § 1126 of the Code within the time fixed by
7	the court pursuant to Rule 3017, 3017.1, or 3017.2. Subject
8	to subdivision (b) of this rule, an equity security holder or
9	creditor whose claim is based on a security of record shall
10	not be entitled to accept or reject a plan unless the equity
11	security holder or creditor is the holder of record of the
12	security on the date the order approving the disclosure
13	statement is entered or on another date fixed by the court
14	under Rule 3017.2, or fixed for cause, after notice and a
15	hearing. For cause shown, the court after notice and hearing
16	may permit a creditor or equity security holder to change or
17	withdraw an acceptance or rejection. Notwithstanding
18	objection to a claim or interest, the court after notice and

hearing may temporarily allow the claim or interest in an
amount which the court deems proper for the purpose of
accepting or rejecting a plan.
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### **Committee Note**

Subdivision (a) of the rule is amended to take account of the court's authority to set times under Rules 3017.1 and 3017.2 in small business cases and cases under subchapter V of chapter 11.

1	Rule 3019. Modification of Accepted Plan in a Chapter
2	9 Municipality or a Chapter 11 Reorganization Case
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4	(b) MODIFICATION OF PLAN AFTER
5	CONFIRMATION IN INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR CASE. If
6	the debtor is an individual, a request to modify the plan under
7	§ 1127(e) of the Code is governed by Rule 9014. The request
8	shall identify the proponent and shall be filed together with
9	the proposed modification. The clerk, or some other person
10	as the court may direct, shall give the debtor, the trustee, and
11	all creditors not less than 21 days' notice by mail of the time
12	fixed to file objections and, if an objection is filed, the
13	hearing to consider the proposed modification, unless the
14	court orders otherwise with respect to creditors who are not
15	affected by the proposed modification. A copy of the notice
16	shall be transmitted to the United States trustee, together
17	with a copy of the proposed modification. Any objection to
18	the proposed modification shall be filed and served on the

19	debtor, the proponent of the modification, the trustee, and
20	any other entity designated by the court, and shall be
21	transmitted to the United States trustee.
22	(c) MODIFICATION OF PLAN AFTER
23	CONFIRMATION IN A SUBCHAPTER V CASE. In a
24	case under subchapter V of chapter 11, a request to modify
25	the plan under § 1193(b) or (c) of the Code is governed by
26	Rule 9014, and the provisions of this Rule 3019(b) apply.

The rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-54, 133 Stat. 1079. That law gives a small business debtor the option of electing to be a debtor under subchapter V of chapter 11. Subdivision (c) is added to the rule to govern requests to modify a plan after confirmation in such cases under § 1193(b) or (c) of the Code.

# RULE 1019-1 CONVERSION OF CHAPTER 11, CHAPTER 12, OR CHAPTER 13 CASE TO CHAPTER 7 LIQUIDATION [Amended\_\_\_\_]

(a) Content of Final Report and Account. With the exception of subchapter V cases under Chapter 11, t<sup>T</sup>he final report and account required by Fed. R. Bankr. P.1019(5) shall include, in addition to the information specified in Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1019(5): (1) a statement of the total funds which passed through the chapter 11, 12, or 13 estate; (2) a statement that all United States trustee operating reports are available upon request; (3) an itemization of all disbursements since the last United States trustee operating report; and (4) a statement of the balance on hand at the time of conversion. If the debtor operated a business, the report shall also include a statement listing all assets in the debtor's possession at the time of conversion, including but not limited to, inventory, fixtures, leases and executory contracts, and accounts receivable.

(b) Deadline for Chapter 13 Trustee to File Final Report and Account. The final report and account required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1019(5)(B)(ii) shall be filed not later than sixty (60) days after conversion of the case.

(c) Schedule of Unpaid Debts. The schedule of unpaid debts required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1019(5) shall include the names and addresses of all post-petition creditors and shall be accompanied by a supplemental creditor mailing list conforming to the requirements set forth in <u>R.I. LBR 1002-1(c)</u>.

# RULE 2003-1 MEETING OF CREDITORS OR EQUITY SECURITY HOLDERS [Amended \_\_\_\_\_]

Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2003(b)(1), unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the following persons shall preside at a meeting of creditors:

(a) Chapter 7 Cases. In a chapter 7 case, the interim trustee or trustee appointed by the United States trustee, unless an alternative trustee is elected pursuant to  $\frac{8}{702}$  of the Code and there is no dispute with regard to said election, then such alternate trustee shall preside. If the United States trustee has determined there is a dispute with regard to such an election, the interim trustee shall preside at the initial meeting, and shall continue the meeting to a date reasonably calculated to be sufficient for the Court to determine such dispute.

(b) Chapter 11 Cases. In chapter 11 cases, the United States trustee or his/her designee, unless:

A trustee has been appointed by the Court pursuant to <u>§ 1104 or § 1185</u> then such chapter 11 trustee shall preside; or

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# RULE 2015-3 DUTY OF TRUSTEE AND DEBTOR IN POSSESSION TO FILE INVENTORY RECORDS IN CHAPTERS 7 AND 11 [Amended \_\_\_\_\_]

(a) An inventory under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2015(a)(1) shall be required in all chapter 7 and 11<u>cases (except in subchapter V cases under Chapter 11)</u>, cases and shall separately detail each asset of the debtor, including listing all accounts receivable, as of the date of filing, and shall be served on the local office of the United States trustee (and not filed with the Court) within thirty days after the Court approves the trustee's appointment or within thirty days of the commencement of the case, whichever is later, unless such detailed inventory has already been filed with the court or is included in the bankruptcy schedules.

# RULE 2016-1 COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES [Amended \_\_\_\_\_]

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(c) Applications by Trustees Exceeding \$7,500. If an application for compensation and reimbursement <u>is filed</u> by a chapter 7, 11, or 12 trustee, <u>(excluding trustees in subchapter V cases under Chapter 11) that</u> exceeds \$7,500.00 the trustee shall state:

(1) The total amount received in the estate;

(2) The amount of money disbursed and to be disbursed by the trustee to parties in interest (excluding the debtor) and a calculation of the maximum fee allowable under 11 U.S.C. § 326;

(3) A brief narrative description of services performed;

(4) If the payment sought is interim compensation, why the payment of interim compensation is reasonable and appropriate;

(5) The dividend, expressed as a percentage of funds to be distributed to creditors, if the requested compensation and other requested administrative expenses are allowed in the amounts requested. If a trustee has served both as a chapter 7 and a chapter 11 trustee, separate itemizations must be provided for each period. The amount of compensation shall be stated as a dollar amount, regardless of the calculation of the maximum compensation allowable under <u>11 U.S.C. § 326(a)</u>.

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### RULE 3016-1 CHAPTER 11 – PLAN [Amended \_\_\_\_\_]

**Report of Chapter 11 Trustee.** A chapter 11 trustee shall file a report, within sixty (60) days of appointment, or such other date as the Court may otherwise direct, addressing:

(a) Whether a plan can reasonably be formulated, and if not, the reasons why the trustee believes a plan cannot be formulated; or

(b) A recommendation that the case be converted to another chapter or dismissed.

(a) **Subchapter V Cases**. For subchapter V cases, the debtor may use Official Form 425A - *Plan of Reorganization for Small Business Under Chapter 11*, which may be altered to fit the circumstances of the case.

(b) Small Business Cases. For small business cases other than under subchapter V of Chapter 11, aA sample combined Small Business Plan of Reorganization and Disclosure Statement for Small Business Debtor local form is included as R.I. Local Form 3020-1.3, which may be used and altered to fit the circumstances of the case.

# RULE 3017-1 CHAPTER 9 AND 11 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT APPROVAL [Amended ]

(a) **Transmission of Notices Regarding Disclosure Statement.** After approval of the disclosure statement, <u>as applicable</u>, the proponent of the plan under chapters 9 or 11 shall transmit all notices and documents required by <u>Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3017</u>. The proponent shall obtain the appropriate notice(s) as required by <u>Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3017</u> from the Clerk of Court, and transmit the same, with any other documents required to be sent in accordance

with said Bankruptcy Rule, to all creditors and equity security holders entitled to vote on the plan, and to all other parties as required by said Bankruptcy Rule.

(b) Small Business Cases. A sample combined Small Business Plan of Reorganization and Disclosure Statement for Small Business Debtor, included as <u>R.I. Local Form 3020-1.3</u>, may be used and altered to fit the circumstances of the case.

# RULE 3018-1 BALLOTS VOTING ON CHAPTER 9 AND 11 PLANS [Amended \_\_\_\_\_]

(a) **Ballot Form.** Official Form 314, *Class [] Ballot for Accepting or Rejecting Plan of Reorganization*, shall be used by the proponent of the plan for voting purposes.

(b) Certification of Ballots. At least seven (7) days prior to the hearing on confirmation, the proponent of the plan shall certify the number of allowed claims in each class accepting or rejecting the plan and the amount of allowed interests in each class accepting or rejecting the plan. Such certification shall be in the form provided as R.I. Local Form 3018-1.1. The original certification shall be filed with the Clerk, and <u>a copyies shall be provided to the local office of the United States trustee</u>, all creditors holding secured claims. counsel for the official unsecured creditors committee, and any other committees appointed and serving in the case under <u>11-U.S.C. § 1102</u>. R.I. Local Form 3018-1.2 is a sample ballot that may be used by the proponent of the plan for voting purposes.

## RULE 3020-1 CHAPTER 9 AND 11 CONFIRMATION [Amended \_\_\_\_\_]

(a) **Documents Required Seven Days Prior to Confirmation Hearing Except in Subchapter V Cases.** Not less than seven (7) days prior to the hearing on confirmation, the plan proponent shall provide the following to the Court, the local office of the United States trustee, and any other party specified by the Court:

(1) A report on ballots in substantially the same form as <u>R.I. Local Form 3018-1.1;</u>

- (1) (2) A proposed order of distribution in substantially the same form as <u>R.I. Local Form 3020-1.1</u>, shall be filed with the Court and copies served on the local office of the United States trustee, any committee appointed and serving in the case under <u>11 U.S.C. § 1102</u> and on the Debtor and counsel (if not the plan proponent). Additionally, the plan proponent shall either serve a copy of the proposed order of distribution (<u>R.I. Local Form 3020-1.1</u>), or a "Notice of Filing of Proposed Order of Distribution" in substantially the same form as <u>R.I. Local Form 3020-1.2</u> on all creditors, at least fourteen (14) days before the hearing on confirmation. A certificate of service evidencing compliance with this LBR shall be filed with the Clerk;
- (2) (3) A fully completed chapter 9 or 11 confirmation worksheet and certification in substantially the same form as R.I. Local Form 3020-1.3;
- (3) (4) A certification that: the approved disclosure statement, the latest amended plan, the order approving disclosure statement, and ballots for acceptances or rejections were mailed to all creditors at least twenty-eight (28) days prior to the date set for the hearing on confirmation, or the date set by the Court;
- (4) (5) A proposed order including proposed findings of fact regarding confirmation of the plan in substantially the same form as <u>R.I. Local Form 3020-1.4</u>;

- (5) (6) A certification of compliance with the requirements of <u>11 U.S.C. § 1129</u>, or in the alternative, evidence of such compliance at the hearing; and
- (6) (7) Any other documents necessary forto plan confirmation.

(b) Documents Required Seven Days Prior to Confirmation Hearing in Subchapter V Cases. Not less than seven (7) days prior to the hearing on confirmation, the debtor shall provide the following to the Court, the local office of the United States trustee, and any other party specified by the Court:

- (1) A proposed order of confirmation of the plan in substantially the same form as R.I. Local Form 3020-<u>1.5;</u>
- (2) A certification of compliance with the requirements of 11 U.S.C. § 1191, or in the alternative, evidence of such compliance at the hearing; and
- (3) Any other documents necessary for plan confirmation.

(c) **Proof of Deposit Due Seven Days Prior to Confirmation Hearing, <u>if Applicable</u>. Proof of deposit shall be filed with the Clerk of <u>C</u>eourt at least seven (7) days prior to the hearing on confirmation, <u>if applicable</u>. A copy of the bank statement showing the amount on deposit in accordance with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3020(a) is required. The amount of the deposit must be equal to the initial distribution for all classes on the effective date of the plan. Any party waiving payment from funds on deposit must file a written waiver within the time indicated herein.** 

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# RULE 3022-1 FINAL REPORT/DECREE; NOT APPLICABLE TO SUBCHAPTER V CASES UNDER CHAPTER 11 [Amended \_\_\_\_\_]

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# **RULE 6005-1 APPRAISERS AND AUCTIONEERS - PUBLIC AUCTIONS**

(a) **Court Authorization.** The estate representative may, with prior Court approval, sell estate property at public auction. Subsequent confirmation by the Court of the auction is not required unless such confirmation is a condition of the initial approval. The notice of intended public sale shall be substantially similar to <u>R.I. Local</u> Form 6005-1.1. The estate representative shall file a motion to sell the estate assets, and state why a public, rather than a private sale is requested. Any auction advertisement placed by an auctioneer or estate representative shall conspicuously state the bankruptcy case name and number.

(b) Estate Representative. For the purposes of this LBR, the term estate representative shall include a chapter 7 trustee, chapter 11 trustee <u>appointed under § 1104 or where a debtor in possession has been removed under § 1185</u>, chapter 11 debtor in possession, chapter 12 trustee, and chapter 13 debtor.

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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND In re: Debtor(s)

<u>BK No:</u>

Chapter 11

### **ORDER CONFIRMING CHAPTER 11 PLAN IN SUBCHAPTER V CASE**

The Debtor's Plan under Chapter 11, Subchapter V, of Title 11, United States Code, filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_, [or, if applicable, as modified by a modification filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_,]

(the "Plan"), having been transmitted to its creditors, and it having been determined after notice and a hearing that:

- 1. The Plan complies with the requirements of 11 U.S.C. §§ 1190(1) and 1190(2); and
- 2. The requirements for confirmation set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 1191(a) [or § 1191(b)] have been satisfied;

## It is ORDERED that:

- A. The Plan (of copy of which is attached) is confirmed;
- B. The Plan may be modified only in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1193(b) or § 1193(c), as applicable;
- C. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1194(a), the trustee shall distribute any payment received from the Debtor prior to the entry of this Order in accordance with the Plan; and
- D. [If Plan confirmed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1191(a)] The Debtor shall file and serve on all interested parties a notice of substantial consummation of the Plan within 14 days of the date of substantial consummation, which date is estimated by the Debtor to be \_\_\_\_\_\_.

[or]

[If Plan confirmed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1191(b)] The Debtor shall file and serve on all interested parties a status report within 14 days of the date of completion by the Debtor of all payments due under the Plan, which date is estimated by the Debtor to be \_\_\_\_\_.

ORDER:

ENTER:

Deputy Clerk Entered on Docket:

Diane Finkle U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Date: