

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
NORFOLK DIVISION
NEWPORT NEWS DIVISION**

AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE

New Scheduling Procedure Regarding Chapter 13 Confirmation Hearing Times

On March 21, 2022, the Court will transition to the Bankruptcy Next Generation CM/ECF platform (“NextGen”). NextGen does not permit more than one Section 341 meeting date to be associated with the same Chapter 13 confirmation hearing date and time. This affects how the Chapter 13 confirmation hearings for the Norfolk/Newport News Trustees will be scheduled.

The new scheduling procedure will apply to Chapter 13 confirmation hearings held on or after **April 8, 2022** with respect to both original and modified Chapter 13 plans for cases pending in the Newport News Division. The new scheduling procedure will apply to Chapter 13 confirmation hearings held on or after **May 3, 2022** with respect to both original and modified Chapter 13 plans for cases pending in the Norfolk Division. The scheduling times for other matters will not be affected.

For Chief Judge Santoro’s Newport News Division cases, the following schedule will apply for Chapter 13 confirmation hearings held on or after **April 8, 2022** with respect to both original and modified Chapter 13 plans:

10:05 a.m. – Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

10:15 a.m. - Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

When there is a need to place confirmation hearings assigned to Judge St. John on Chief Judge Santoro’s Newport News docket to comply with the statutory scheduling period, then the additional confirmation hearings where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 10:10 a.m. and the additional confirmation hearings where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 10:20 a.m.

For Judge St. John’s Newport News Division cases, the following schedule will apply for Chapter 13 confirmation hearings held on or after **April 8, 2022** with respect to both original and modified Chapter 13 plans:

10:05 a.m. – Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

10:15 a.m. - Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

When there is a need to place confirmation hearings assigned to Chief Judge Santoro on Judge St. John’s Newport News docket to comply with the statutory scheduling period,

then the additional confirmation hearings where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 10:10 a.m. and the additional confirmation hearings where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 10:20 a.m.

For Chief Judge Santoro's Norfolk Division cases, the following schedule will apply for Chapter 13 confirmation hearings held on or after **May 3, 2022** with respect to both original and modified Chapter 13 plans:

9:30 a.m. – Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

10:30 a.m. - Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

When there is a need to schedule confirmation hearings related to an additional, different 341 meeting date for each Trustee, then the confirmation hearings for the additional 341 meeting date where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 9:35 a.m. and the confirmation hearings for the additional 341 meeting date where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 10:35 a.m.

For Judge St. John's Norfolk Division cases, the following schedule will apply for Chapter 13 confirmation hearings held on or after **May 3, 2022** with respect to both original and modified Chapter 13 plans:

9:30 a.m. – Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

10:30 a.m. - Confirmation Hearings where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee.

When there is a need to schedule confirmation hearings related to an additional, different 341 meeting date for each Trustee, then the confirmation hearings for the additional 341 meeting date where Mr. Stackhouse is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 9:35 a.m. and the confirmation hearings for the additional 341 meeting date where Mr. Cotter is the Chapter 13 Trustee will be scheduled for 10:35 a.m.

Please note that the clock interface used for setting hearing times only sets time on the hour, half-hour or quarter-hour. Therefore, when setting hearing times which do not fall on the hour, half-hour or quarter-hour, the hearing time will need to be manually entered in the appropriate box. For example, a 10:05 a.m. confirmation hearing time must be manually entered.

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