

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

PUBLIC NOTICE

ENTRY OF STANDING ORDER NO. 21-6 – ADOPTION OF COVID-19 BANKRUPTCY  
RELIEF ACT OF 2021 AS TO CARES ACT-RELATED TERMINATION DATE CHANGES  
TO SMALL BUSINESS REORGANIZATION ACT INTERIM BANKRUPTCY RULE  
1020(a), AS INCORPORATED INTO EXHIBIT 12 FOLLOWING THE LOCAL  
BANKRUPTCY RULES

On March 27, 2021, the President signed into law the COVID-19 Bankruptcy Relief Extension Act (“Extension Act”) of 2021 (H.R. 1651, 117<sup>th</sup> Congress, First Session). The Extension Act amends the CARES Act (Pub. L. No. 116-131, 134 Stat.281) to extend the termination date for the definition of a small business from March 27, 2021, to March 27, 2022. Previously, the Court had entered Standing Order No. 20-16, which, in Small Business Reorganization Act (“SBRA”) Interim Bankruptcy Rule 1020(a), adopted amendments to that subdivision conforming to the CARES Act’s temporary one-year extension changing the definition of a small business debtor.

Standing Order No. 26-6, as entered by the Court, extends the temporary termination date set forth in Standing Order No. 20-16 from March 27, 2021, to March 27, 2022. In all other respects, Standing Order No. 20-2, adopting the SBRA Interim Bankruptcy Rules, remains in effect until further order of the Court. Standing Order No. 21-6 has been incorporated into Exhibit 12, Interim Amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, following the Court’s Local Bankruptcy Rules.

William C. Redden  
Clerk of Court

Date: March 31, 2021

Attachment

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**  
**for the**  
**EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

**STANDING ORDER NO. 21-6 – ADOPTION OF COVID-19  
BANKRUPTCY RELIEF ACT OF 2021 AS TO CARES ACT-  
RELATED TERMINATION DATE CHANGES TO SMALL  
BUSINESS REORGANIZATION ACT INTERIM BANKRUPTCY  
RULE 1020(a), AS INCORPORATED INTO EXHIBIT 12  
FOLLOWING THE LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULES**



**Effective: March 31, 2021**

**(Ver. 03/31/2021)**

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

In re )  
)  
Adoption of COVID-19 Bankruptcy ) Standing Order No. 21-6  
Relief Extension Act of 2021 as to )  
CARES Act-related Termination )  
Date Changes to Interim Bankruptcy )  
1020 )

**ORDER ADOPTING COVID-19 BANKRUPTCY RELIEF EXTENSION ACT OF 2021 AS  
TO CARES ACT-RELATED TERMINATION DATE CHANGES TO INTERIM  
BANKRUPTCY RULE 1020**

Standing Order No. 20-16, and its accompanying revision to Interim Bankruptcy Rule 1020(a), requires modification, as to an extension of its March 27, 2021, termination date, which was effected through the March 27, 2021, enactment into law of the COVID-19 Bankruptcy Relief Extension Act (“Extension Act”) of 2021. The Extension Act amends the CARES Act (Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281) to extend the termination date for the definition of a small business debtor, and for other purposes. The Court’s adoption of the temporary amendment to Interim Bankruptcy Rule 1020 assists in maintaining national uniformity in the administration of the Bankruptcy Code, as does this CARES Act termination date extension, through the Extension Act, and the latter’s application to subdivision (a) the aforesaid Rule.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The March 27, 2021, termination date set forth in Standing Order 20-16, and its accompanying Interim Bankruptcy Rule 2020 Committee Note, as to subdivision (a) of the Rule, be and the same hereby is extended to a March 27, 2022, termination date.
2. In all other respects, Standing Order No. 20-2, adopting the Interim Bankruptcy Rules, shall remain in effect until further order of the Court.

3. This Order shall be incorporated into Exhibit 12 following the Court's Local Bankruptcy Rules.

FOR THE COURT:

/s/ Frank J. Santoro  
FRANK J. SANTORO  
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

Date: March 31, 2021