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PUBLIC NOTICE Bankruptcy Rule and Form Changes Effective December 1, 2017

On April 27, 2017, the U.S. Supreme Court adopted changes to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, which are scheduled to take effect on December 1, 2017.

• Bankruptcy Rules 1001, 1006, 1015, 2002, 3002, 3007, 3012, 3015, 4003, 5009, 7001 and 9009 have been amended. Rule 3015.1, which governs requirements for local form plans in Chapter 13 cases, has been added. You may access the rule changes and accompanying committee notes at: http://www.gasb.uscourts.gov/sites/gasb/files/FedRulesBankruptcyProcedure.pdf

On September 12, 2017, the Judicial Conference approved several amendments to Official Forms that will go into effect on December 1, 2017.

- Forms 101, 309F, 309G, 309H, 309I, 425A, 425B, 425C, and 426 have been amended. Official Form 113 (Chapter 13 Plan) has been added; however, this court is using a local plan form, pursuant to Rule 3015.1, in lieu of the national form. To access the form changes, go to: <u>http://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/pending-rules-andforms-amendments/pending-changes-bankruptcy-forms</u>
- Amended Rule 9009 will require use of the Official Forms "without alteration, except as otherwise provided in these rules, in a particular Official Form, or in the national instructions for a particular Official Form." At its September 2017 meeting, the Judicial Conference's Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules approved national instructions permitting certain alterations to Official Forms. These national instructions are scheduled to take effect on December 1, 2017. For more information, go to: http://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/about-rulemaking-process/permitted-changes-official-bankruptcy-forms

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