

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA**

AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER 2020-1

**RESETTING §341 MEETINGS OF CREDITORS AND
EXTENDING CERTAIN DEADLINES**

Because of the developing issues with the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the national and state declarations of emergency by the President of the United States and the governor of Georgia, as well as directives of the United States Trustee to all trustees, § 341 meetings of creditors scheduled in all bankruptcy cases (chapters 7, 11, 12, 13, and subchapter V cases), including reset and continued meetings, pending in all divisions of the Southern District of Georgia, beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020, through Friday, April 10, 2020, are **RESET**. A notice of the reset § 341 meeting date, and in chapter 13 cases the associated confirmation hearing, will be issued by the Court. The Clerk of Court is directed to docket this order in each affected case and serve the reset notice on the debtor(s), debtor(s)' counsel, trustees, and all parties in interest.

It is hereby further **ORDERED** that for all such cases identified above where the § 341 meeting date has been reset, the following deadlines under the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") are extended in all cases where the § 341 meeting was not concluded prior to March 17, 2020:

1. The deadline set under Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 5009(b) for debtors in a chapter 7 case to file the statement required by Bankruptcy Rule 1007(b)(7) is hereby extended, such that the 60-day time period set therein shall begin on the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the meeting is subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, such period will begin on the last date to which such meeting is reset;
2. The deadline set under Bankruptcy Rule 1017(e) for the United States Trustee to file a motion to dismiss for abuse is hereby extended, such that the 60-day time period set therein shall begin on the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the meeting is subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, such period will begin on the last date to which such meeting is reset;
3. For all reset cases as described above, and for all cases filed on or after March 16, 2020, and before April 11, 2020, the deadline set under Bankruptcy Rule 2003(a) setting deadlines for holding § 341 meetings shall be extended as follows: in a chapter 7 liquidation or a chapter 11 reorganization case, the deadline for the initial § 341 meeting shall be extended from 40 days after the order for relief to 70 days after the order for relief. In a chapter 12 family farmer debt adjustment case,

the deadline for the initial § 341 meeting shall be extended from 35 days after the order for relief to 75 days after the order for relief. In a chapter 13 case, the deadline for the initial § 341 meeting shall be extended from 50 days after the order for relief to 80 days after the order for relief;

4. The deadline set under Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3(b) for the trustee or debtor-in-possession to file a financial report regarding each entity that is not a publicly-traded corporation or a debtor in a bankruptcy case and in which the estate holds a substantial and controlling interest is hereby extended, such that the report shall be filed seven days before the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the § 341 meeting is subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, and such report has not already been filed, it will be due seven days prior to the last date to which such meeting is reset;
5. The deadlines set under Bankruptcy Rules 4002(b)(3) and (4) for debtor to provide a copy of debtor's federal income tax return and/or other tax related documents (individually and collectively referred to herein as the "Tax Documents") to the trustee and a requesting creditor are hereby extended, such that the Tax Documents shall be provided to the trustee and a requesting creditor seven days before the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the § 341 meeting is subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, and such Tax Documents have not already been provided to the trustee, the aforementioned Tax Documents will be due seven days prior to the last date to which such meeting is reset; and consistent with General Order Number 2007-3, in all cases such Tax Documents shall not be filed with the Court;
6. The deadline set under Bankruptcy Rule 4004(a) for objections to the debtor's discharge is hereby extended, such that the 60-day time period set therein shall begin on the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the § 341 meeting is subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, such period will begin on the last date to which such meeting is reset;
7. The deadline set under Bankruptcy Rule 4007(c) for filing a complaint as to dischargeability of certain debts under 11 U.S.C. § 523(c) is hereby extended, such that the 60-day time period set therein shall begin on the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the § 341 meeting is subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, such period will begin on the last date to which such meeting is reset;
8. The deadline set under Bankruptcy Rule 4008(a) for filing a reaffirmation agreement is hereby extended, such that the 60-day time period set therein shall begin on the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the § 341 meeting is

subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, such period will begin on the last date to which such meeting is reset; and

9. The deadline under 11 U.S.C. § 1308(a) for filing tax returns is hereby extended, such that the deadline shall be the day before the reset date for the § 341 meeting, provided that if the meeting is subsequently reset pursuant to an order of this Court, such period will begin on the last date to which such meeting is reset.

SO ORDERED this 18th day of March 2020.



Edward J. Coleman, III,
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge