

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI**

In re: Business of the Court

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General Order No. 22-1

Order Reinstating Deadlines for Section 341(a) Meetings of Creditors

On March 23, 2020, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri entered General Order 20-3, which dispensed with the deadlines for which a Section 341(a) Meeting of Creditors must be held pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2003(a). This action was taken in response to the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Missouri having declared a public health emergency because of the spread of the COVID-19 virus, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other public health authorities having advised public and private entities to take precautions to reduce the spread of the virus. This action was also taken to allow the Office of the United States Trustee time to conduct the Section 341(a) Meetings of Creditors that had to be continued due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to provide them with the flexibility to determine how these meetings would be conducted moving forward. The Office of the United States Trustee in this district has been conducting Section 341(a) Meetings of Creditors telephonically since April 2020 and has not required more time for conducting these meetings than that allowed pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2003(a) since shortly after beginning telephonic meetings.

Therefore, effective immediately, General Order 20-3, dated March 23, 2020, is vacated and the deadlines for which a Section 341(a) Meeting of Creditors must be held pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2003(a) are reinstated in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri.

SO ORDERED



BONNIE L. CLAIR
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge



Barry S. Schermer
United States Bankruptcy Judge



KATHY A. SURRATT-STATES
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

Dated: July 22, 2022