

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Return to In-Person Court Appearances

Effective May 1, 2023, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri will resume in-person hearings for all cases heard in the St. Louis, Cape Girardeau, and Hannibal divisions, subject to the information found in this notice and further direction from the Court. Telephonic or virtual participation is **NOT** permitted except as noted below. Out-of-town attorneys must either retain local counsel or an appearance attorney to attend a hearing they are unable to attend inperson.

- Parties in <u>RESOLVED</u> matters may request to appear telephonically given they request
 permission from the Judge's Courtroom Deputy by 12:00 pm the day prior to the hearing.
 Matters involving an agreed continuance may be treated as <u>RESOLVED</u>, unless the number
 of continuances has been restricted by the Judge.
- Parties with conflicts in other courts may appear telephonically after contacting the Judge's Courtroom Deputy by 12:00 pm the day prior to the hearing and obtaining the Court's permission.
- In instances of personal emergencies, parties may appear telephonically after contacting the Judge's Courtroom Deputy and obtaining the Court's permission.
- Parties in Reaffirmation Agreement Hearings will continue to participate telephonically or virtually, subject to the Court's direction. The Court will cease posting dial-in information for dockets other than Reaffirmation Agreement Hearings.
- Only parties granted advance permission to appear telephonically will receive dial-in information and that information may not be transmitted to unauthorized parties.
- Evidence may not be presented telephonically or virtually unless the evidence is presented as part of a Reaffirmation Agreement Hearing or the telephonic or virtual presentation of evidence is otherwise allowed by order of the Court.

• Special procedures may be established for remote appearances in large Chapter 11 cases. Attorneys in such cases should contact the Clerk's Office at (314) 244-4500 to inquire further.

The information provided above is subject to the <u>Building Entry Order</u> entered in this District. At this time, face coverings are no longer required for persons seeking entry to any of the District's courthouses. Judges may establish rules and procedures regarding masking and distancing in their respective courtrooms.

Dana C. McWay Clerk of Court

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