

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re:

**Administrative Order 20-00001**

**Order Regarding Certain  
Deadlines And Notices**

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On March 13, 2020, the President declared a national state of emergency as a result of the introduction of the COVID-19 virus into the general population. In response to that emergency, on March 16, 2020, The Office of the United States Trustee issued a notice (the "UST Notice"), rescheduling all in-person section 341 meetings scheduled through April 10, 2020 in chapter 7, 12 and 13 cases. The Office of the United States Trustee has advised that for chapter 7 and 13 cases for which 341(a) meetings of creditors were noticed but not conducted on the scheduled date, the trustees intend to reschedule such meetings to future dates (the "Rescheduled First Meeting Date") by filing on the docket in each case a notice of the Rescheduled First Meeting Date, and intend to conduct such meetings telephonically.

Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 105, in order to carry out the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and to implement appropriately certain deadlines in the Bankruptcy Code and in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") during this time of national emergency, it is hereby

**ORDERED**, as follows:

1. The deadlines set under Bankruptcy Rules 1007(b)(7), 1017(e)(1), 2002(h), and 4008(a), and under 11 U.S.C. §1308(a) shall be calculated from the Rescheduled First Meeting Date.
2. "[T]he date on which the meeting of creditors is first scheduled to be held" pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1308(a) shall be the Rescheduled First Meeting Date for all chapter 13 § 341 meetings continued by the Rescheduled First Meeting Date notice.
3. The deadlines under Bankruptcy Rule 2003(a) for holding § 341 meetings are extended to the extent necessary to accommodate the postponement of the § 341 meetings by the Office of the United States Trustee or order of this Court.

4. This is a temporary order and will expire as set forth in further order of the Court. Direction as to how to proceed upon expiration of this Order will be posted in the docket of each affected case and on the website of the United States Trustee for Region 2.

**SO ORDERED** in the Western District of New York, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2020.



HONORABLE CARL L. BUCKI  
CHIEF UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

