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Adv#: 1:24-01051 Jeremy W. Faith, Chapter 11 Plan Fiduciary v. Wayneston Harbeson, an

#1.00 Status conference re complaint

fr. 1/14/25; 2/18/25; 2/26/25; 4/16/25; 6/30/25; 9/11/25;
10/23/25; 12/11/25; 2/12/26; 3/26/26; 5/5/26

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Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for February 11, 2026

Tentative adopted as final ruling.

Tentative Ruling for February 11, 2026

Continued to 4/23/26 at 1:30 p.m., in order for Plaintiff to file and serve a motion for default judgment. **Appearances on 2/11/26 are excused.** Plaintiff must file and serve notice of the continued status conference.

Ruling for December 11, 2025

Tentative adopted as final ruling.

Tentative Ruling for December 11, 2025

Continued to 2/12/26 at 1:30 p.m. **Appearances on 12/10/25 are excused.** Plaintiff to file and serve notice of continued status conference.

Final Ruling for 10/23/2025:

Continued to 12/11/2025 at 1:30 p.m. **Appearances excused on 10/23/2025.** This hearing has been continued in accordance with the *Shutdown Plan*, which was adopted by the Court pursuant to Volume 13, Chapter 2, Section 230.50 of the *Guide to Judiciary Policy* and the Office of General Counsel's memorandum dated October 13, 2023, to address a lapse in appropriations for the Judiciary. This hearing may be continued further, from time to time, in accordance with the *Shutdown Plan*. Pursuant to the Anti-Deficiency Act, certain work may continue during a lapse of appropriations if it involves an

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"emergenc[y] involving the safety of human life or the protection of property."

If you believe that this matter constitutes such an emergency, you may file a written application to be heard by the Court sooner than the specified continuation date.

Ruling for 6/30/25:

Continued to September 11, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.
Plaintiff to give notice of continued status conference
Appearance waived on 6/30/25

Ruling for 4/16/25:

Continued to June 30, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.
Plaintiff to give notice of continued status conference
Appearance waived on 4/16/25

Ruling for February 26, 2025

Continued by stipulation of the parties to April 16, 2025 at 1:30p

Party Information

Debtor(s):

National Association of Television	Represented By Leslie A Cohen
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Defendant(s):

Wayneston Harbeson, an individual	Pro Se
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Plaintiff(s):

Jeremy W. Faith, Chapter 11 Plan	Represented By Meghann A Triplett Samuel Mushegh Boyamian
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Trustee(s):

John-Patrick McGinnis Fritz (TR)	Pro Se
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Adv#: 1:24-01052 Jeremy W. Faith, Chapter 11 Plan Fiduciary v. Pery Consulting Group, LLC

#2.00 Status conference re complaint

fr. 1/14/25; 4/16/25; 7/17/25; 10/23/25; 12/11/25; 2/12/26;
4/23/26; 5/5/26

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Tentative Ruling for February 11, 2026

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Ruling for December 11, 2025

Tentative adopted as final ruling.

Tentative Ruling for December 11, 2025

Continued to 2/12/26 at 1:30 p.m. **Appearances on 12/10/25 are excused.** Plaintiff to file and serve notice of continued status conference.

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Ruling for 7/17/25

Cont'd to October 23, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Ruling for 4/16/25:

Continued to July 17, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.
Plaintiff to give notice of continued status conference
Appearance waived on 4/16/25

Ruling for January 14, 2025

Status conference continued to 4/16/25 @ 1:30 p.m. Parties to file a brief status report by 4/9/25.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

National Association of Television	Represented By Leslie A Cohen
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Defendant(s):

Pery Consulting Group, LLC a	Pro Se
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Plaintiff(s):

Jeremy W. Faith, Chapter 11 Plan	Represented By Meghann A Triplett Samuel Mushegh Boyamian
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Trustee(s):

John-Patrick McGinnis Fritz (TR)	Pro Se
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1:22-11453 Livio Ernesto Gomez

Chapter 7

Adv#: 1:23-01002 Balint v. Gomez

#3.00 Status conference re: first amended complaint for determination of dischargeability and objection to Debtor's discharge pursuant to section 523(A)(6)

fr. 5/3/23; 6/14/23; 10/4/23; 11/8/23; 12/13/23; 3/20/24; 11/13/24; 12/12/24 (per ord. #41); 4/3/25; 8/14/25; 10/16/25; 12/18/25; 2/5/26; 2/24/26; 3/26/26; 5/5/26

Docket 5

Tentative Ruling:

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Livio Ernesto Gomez

Represented By
Jason Boyer

Defendant(s):

Livio Ernesto Gomez

Represented By
Jason Boyer

Plaintiff(s):

Jessica Balint

Represented By
Gabor Szabo

Trustee(s):

David Seror (TR)

Pro Se

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1:24-10231 Allen Michael Abraham

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Adv#: 1:24-01017 Getzoian v. Abraham

#4.00 Pre-trial conference re complaint

fr. 7/23/24; 9/13/24; 2/18/25; 2/26/25; 9/11/25(stip);
10/9/25; 4/23/26; 5/5/26

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entered at adv. dkt. 25.**

Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for February 26, 2025

Trial set for 10/15/25 @ 10:00.

Pretrial conference set for 9/11/25 @ 2:30 p.m. Plaintiff to prepare a scheduling order.

Ruling for September 13, 2024

The Court set the following deadlines:

1/13/25 - deadline to complete all discovery, including receipt of responses

1/13/25 - deadline to joint parties, amend pleadings

1/31/25 - deadline to file case-dispositive motions

2/11/25 - deadline to file an updated joint status report

2/18/25 @ 1:30 p.m. - cont'd status conference

Plaintiff to lodge a Rule 16 Scheduling Order.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Allen Michael Abraham

Represented By
Jeffrey J Hagen

Defendant(s):

Allen Michael Abraham

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Sosi Getzoian

Represented By

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Stella A Havkin

Trustee(s):

Amy L Goldman (TR)

Pro Se

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1:24-10231 Allen Michael Abraham

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Adv#: 1:24-01019 Othon et al v. Abraham

#5.00 Status conference re: complaint

fr. 7/23/24, 9/13/24; 2/18/25; 5/21/25; 7/17/25;
4/23/26; 5/5/26

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Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for May 21, 2025

Cont'd to 7/17/25, 1:30 p.m., to give the parties time to file a properly executed Rule 41 stipulation

Ruling for September 13, 2024

The Court set the following deadlines:

1/13/25 - deadline to complete all discovery, including receipt of responses

1/13/25 - deadline to joint parties, amend pleadings

1/31/25 - deadline to file case-dispositive motions

2/11/25 - deadline to file an updated joint status report

2/18/25 @ 1:30 p.m. - cont'd status conference

Plaintiff to lodge a Rule 16 Scheduling Order.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Allen Michael Abraham

Represented By
Jeffrey J Hagen

Defendant(s):

Allen Michael Abraham

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Patricia Othon

Represented By
Lior Katz

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Richard Othon

Represented By
Lior Katz

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Trustee(s):

Amy L Goldman (TR)

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1:24-10231 Allen Michael Abraham

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Adv#: 1:24-01020 Hannig et al v. Abraham

#6.00 Status conference re complaint

fr. 7/23/24; 9/13/24; 2/18/24; 5/21/25; 6/30/25;
8/14/25; 4/23/26; 5/5/26

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Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for June 30, 2025

Cont'd to August 14, 2025, 2:30 p.m.

Ruling for May 21, 2025

Cont'd to 6/30/25, 2:30 p.m.

Short joint S/R or stipulation re scheduling to be filed 7 days before

Ruling for September 13, 2024

The Court set the following deadlines:

1/13/25 - deadline to complete all discovery, including receipt of responses

1/13/25 - deadline to joint parties, amend pleadings

1/31/25 - deadline to file case-dispositive motions

2/11/25 - deadline to file an updated joint status report

2/18/25 @ 1:30 p.m. - cont'd status conference

Plaintiff to lodge a Rule 16 Scheduling Order.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Allen Michael Abraham

Represented By

Jeffrey J Hagen

Defendant(s):

Allen Michael Abraham

Pro Se

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Plaintiff(s):

David Hannig

Represented By
Lior Katz

Lisa Hannig

Represented By
Lior Katz

Trustee(s):

Amy L Goldman (TR)

Pro Se

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1:25-11455 HPC Vineburn, LLC

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Adv#: 1:26-01006 Joseph F. Farivar Investment Group Inc. et al v. HPC Vineburn, LLC

#7.00 Status conference re complaint

fr. 4/23/26; 5/5/26

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*** VACATED *** REASON: Continued by stipulation to 8/27/26 at 1:30 pm [Dkt. #13]

Tentative Ruling:

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

HPC Vineburn, LLC

Represented By
Michael B Reynolds
Andrew Still

Defendant(s):

HPC Vineburn, LLC

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Joseph F. Farivar Investment Group

Represented By
Brian L. Davidoff

Bordan Shoe Company Inc.

Represented By
Brian L. Davidoff

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1:25-10617 Hovhannes Nazaryan

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Adv#: 1:25-01058 United States Trustee (SV) v. Nazaryan

#7.01 Status conference re complaint

fr. 12/11/25; 2/23/26; 5/6/26

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Tentative Ruling:

Ruling on December 11, 2025

Continued to 2/23/26 at 1:30 p.m. Plaintiff to file and serve notice of continued status conference.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Hovhannes Nazaryan

Represented By
Anita Khachikyan

Defendant(s):

Hovhannes Nazaryan

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

United States Trustee (SV)

Pro Se

Trustee(s):

Nancy J Zamora (TR)

Pro Se

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1:20-11784 Valley Enterprises T.S. Inc

Chapter 7

Adv#: 1:22-01052 Golf View Lane L.P. v. Pasco et al

#8.00 Status conference re amended complaint

fr. 12/13/22; 4/11/23; 8/29/23; 12/5/23; 12/7/23;
3/12/24; 7/23/24; 8/13/24; 8/28/24; 9/24/24; 10/24/24;
12/20/24; 2/18/25; 2/26/25; 3/19/25; 5/21/25; 8/14/25;
9/29/25; 11/13/25; 1/9/26; 2/12/26; 4/23/26; 5/5/26

Docket 4

Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for February 11, 2026

Continued to 4/23/26 @ 2:30 p.m. Plaintiff may self-calendar its forthcoming motion for default judgment for hearing at that date and time.

Ruling on January 9, 2026

Continued to 2/12/26 at 1:30 p.m. Plaintiff to file and serve brief unilateral status report by 2/5/26.

Ruling for November 13, 2025

The status conference is cont'd to 1/9/26 @ 1:30 p.m.
The Court will issue an OSC to dismiss for failure to prosecute directed to the Plaintiff.

Ruling for September 29, 2025

Court will issue an OSC re terminating sanctions re: defendant Edward Pasco.
Cont'd to 11/13/25 @ 1:30 p.m.

Ruling for 5/21/2025

Continued to 8/14/25, 1:30 p.m., to allow parties to engage in mediation
- joint status report due 8/7/25, if no settlement

Ruling for 3/19/2025

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Continued to 5/21/25, 1:30 p.m.
- joint status report due 5/14/25

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Ruling for February 26, 2025

Cont'd to 3/19/25 @ 1:30 p.m.

Court will issue an OSC re dismissal for plaintiff Golf View Lane's failure to appear and prosecute.

Ruling for October 24, 2024

Cont'd to 12/20/24 @ 1:30 p.m. If the parties agree to a continuance of the status conference, they should file either a stipulation or lodge an agreed order.

Ruling for August 28, 2024

Continued to 9/24/24 @ 2:30 p.m. Discovery cut-off is extended to 12/31/24; case dispositive motions to be filed by 1/17/25. Plaintiff to lodge a new scheduling order.

Ruling for March 12, 2024

Continued to 7/23/24 @ 1:30 p.m. Updated status report to be filed by 7/16/24. The deadline to complete discovery / amend the pleadings / join parties is extended to 8/30/24.

The deadline to file case dispositive pre-trial motions to 9/27/24.

Trustee to lodge an order.

Ruling for December 7, 2023

Continued to 3/12/24 @ 1:30 p.m. The deadlines to complete discovery, amend pleadings, join parties and file case-dispositive motions are extended 120 days. Plaintiff to lodge a scheduling order.

Tentative Ruling for April 11, 2023

Continued to August 29, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. A brief joint status report to be filed by August 22, 2023. **No appearances required on April 11, 2023.** The Court notes that counsel for the defendants Jose Pasco, Jose Hoyos, Fidelina Pasco, Evelyn Arambula, and Top Hat Towing has moved to withdraw as counsel but has neither set his motion for hearing nor filed a declaration of non-opposition and lodged an order.

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Continued to 4/11/23 @ 1:30 p.m. Parties to file an updated joint status report (or separate statements) by 4/4/23.

The Court sets the following deadlines:

8/11/23 - discovery cut off

8/18/23 - last day to amend pleadings and join parties

8/29/23 - last day to file case-dispositive motions

The defendants represented by Mr. Lally to file something in writing indicating whether they consent to this court entering final orders.

Trustee to lodge an order.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Valley Enterprises T.S. Inc

Represented By
Thomas B Ure
Anthony N Ranieri

Defendant(s):

Jose Pasco	Pro Se
Top Hat Towing, Inc.	Pro Se
Edward Pasco	Pro Se
12812 Strathern Project E.D. LLC	Pro Se
South Cal Development Group, Inc.	Pro Se
Fidelina Pasco	Pro Se
Igya Demirci	Pro Se
JB Financial	Pro Se
Landan Zinati	Pro Se
Jasmin Tanaeim	Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Golf View Lane L.P.

Represented By
Joseph G McCarty

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Trustee(s):

Diane C Weil (TR)

Represented By
Jessica Wellington
Ashley M Teesdale
Steven T Gubner

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for May 8, 2026

For the reasons set forth below, the Court will grant chapter 11 plan fiduciary Jeremy W. Faith's motion for default judgment against Wayneston Harbeson.

I. BACKGROUND

A. The Bankruptcy Case

On October 11, 2022, National Association of Television Program Executives, Inc. (the "Debtor") filed a chapter 11 subchapter V petition. Case Dkt. 1.

Prepetition, defendant Wayneston Harbeson ("Defendant") was employed by the Debtor as Senior Vice President of Events and Operations. *See* Case Dkt. 16 at 11 (¶ 7 listing Defendant as "SVP").

On October 12, 2022, the Debtor and Defendant entered into a "Separation Agreement and Release" whereby the Debtor would pay Defendant severance pay in the amount of \$39,478.70 in one lump sum within 7 days after approval by the bankruptcy court. *See* Case Dkt. 16 at 11 (¶¶ 6-7). On October 14, 2022, the Debtor terminated all of its employees, effective as of the close of business. *See* Case Dkt. 16 at 11 (¶ 6).

During that same month, the Debtor made four transfers to Defendant in the aggregate amount of \$39,230.78 from funds held in its First Republic Bank account (collectively, the "Transfers"):

- (1) \$5,000 on October 11, 2022 (characterized as "Consulting Fees");

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(2) \$10,000 on October 12, 2022 (characterized as "Consulting Fees");

(3) \$4,384.62 on October 13, 2022 (characterized as "Wages/Payroll");
and

(4) \$18,846.16 on October 23, 2022 (characterized as "Wages/Payroll").

Adv. Dkt. 35 at 26-38 (financial records), 22 (¶ 12 of Triplett decl. authenticating such records).

On November 9, 2022, the Debtor filed a motion seeking the Court's authorization to pay Defendant the severance pay, of which \$15,150 would be paid as a priority claim, and the remainder would be treated as a general unsecured claim (the "Wage Motion"). Case Dkt. 16. Creditor Fontainebleau Florida Hotel, LLC filed an opposition to the Wage Motion. Case Dkt. 24. On November 22, 2022, the Debtor voluntarily dismissed without prejudice the Wage Motion before it came before the Court for hearing. Case Dkt. 32.

On November 30, 2022, the Debtor filed its schedule E/F disclosing a claim in favor of Defendant in the scheduled amount of \$39,487.70, of which \$15,150 was scheduled as a priority unsecured debt for wages, salaries and commissions under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4). Case Dkt. 40 at 3 (¶ 2.6). The remaining \$24,337.70 was scheduled as a general unsecured claim. *Id.*

On September 17, 2024, the Court entered an order confirming the Debtor's second amended plan of liquidation. Case Dkt. 258. Pursuant to the confirmed plan, Jeremy W. Faith was appointed as the plan fiduciary of the Debtor's estate (the "Plan Fiduciary") and empowered to "investigate and pursue any and all claims...." *See id.* at 3-4 (§ D); *see also* Case Dkt. 251 at 23.

B. The Adversary Proceeding

On October 11, 2024, the Plan Fiduciary filed a complaint against Defendant for avoidance, recovery and preservation of the Transfers under 11 U.S.C. §§ 549, 550 and 551, and for disallowance of Defendant's scheduled claim under 11 U.S.C. § 502(d). Adv. Dkt. 1 (the "Complaint").

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1. Defendant is Served and Appears

On November 6, 2024, the Plan Fiduciary properly served the Complaint and a summons on Defendant via U.S. mail. Adv. Dkt. 7; *see* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(b)(1).

On December 2, 2024, Defendant, appearing on his own behalf, entered into a stipulation with the Plan Fiduciary to extend his deadline to respond to the Complaint by approximately one month, which stipulation the Court approved. Adv. Dkt. 8 (stipulation); Adv. Dkt. 10 (order).

On January 21, 2025, Defendant, this time appearing through his counsel Matthew I. Knepper, entered into a second stipulation with the Plan Fiduciary to further extend his deadline to respond to the Complaint by approximately one month, which stipulation the Court approved. Adv. Dkt. 15 (stipulation); Adv. Dkt. 16 (order).

On February 14, 2025, Defendant failed to timely file a responsive pleading to the Complaint. *See* Adv. Dkt. 16 (order setting Feb. 14, 2025 as deadline for Defendant to file a responsive pleading).

On September 5, 2025, Defendant, through his counsel Mr. Knepper, entered into a stipulation with the Plan Fiduciary to continue the status conference by approximately one month so that the parties could "continue to discuss settlement of this matter...." Adv. Dkt. 22 at 2:10-11. The Court approved that stipulation. Adv. Dkt. 24.

2. Clerk of Court Enters Default Against Defendant

On November 24, 2025, the Plan Fiduciary emailed Defendant's counsel, Mr. Knepper, regarding the Plan Fiduciary's intent to file a request for entry of default. *See* Adv. Dkt. 27 at 3 (¶ 7 of Triplett decl.). In the week following, the Plan Fiduciary did not receive a response from Defendant. *Id.*

On December 3, 2025, the Clerk of Court, on the Plan Fiduciary's request, entered default against Defendant. Adv. Dkt. 27 (Plan Fiduciary's request); Adv. Dkt. 28 (notice of default); *see* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7055 (incorporating Fed. R. Civ. P. 55); *see also* Local Bankr. R. 7055-1(a).

3. Plan Fiduciary's Motion for Default Judgment

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On April 10, 2026, the Plan Fiduciary filed this motion for default judgment against Defendant. Adv. Dkt. 35 (the "Motion"). The Plan Fiduciary properly served the Motion, notice of the Motion, the hearing on the Motion, and the continued adversary proceeding status conference on Defendant via U.S. mail and on Defendant's counsel via U.S. mail and email. Adv. Dkt. 35 at 49 (proof of service of Motion); Adv. Dkt. 38 (notice of Motion, hearing on Motion and continued adversary proceeding status conference); Adv. Dkt. 39 (supplemental notice of ZoomGov hearing).

The Plan Fiduciary's notice of the Motion specifically apprised Defendant that the Court may deem his failure to timely file a written response as consent to granting the Motion. Adv. Dkt. 38 at 2:6-11; *see* Local Bankr. R. 9013-1(h). Defendant's deadline to file a response to the Motion was April 24, 2026. *See* Local Bankr. R. 9013-1(f)(1). To date, Defendant has not filed a response to the Motion.

II. DISCUSSION

A. Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55(b)

Regarding entry of default judgment by the Court, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provide, in relevant part:

[T]he party must apply to the court for a default judgment. ... If the party against whom a default judgment is sought has appeared personally or by a representative, that party or its representative must be served with written notice of the application at least 7 days before the hearing. The court may conduct hearings or make referrals — preserving any federal statutory right to a jury trial — when, to enter or effectuate judgment, it needs to:

- (A) conduct an accounting;
- (B) determine the amount of damages;
- (C) establish the truth of any allegation by evidence; or
- (D) investigate any other matter.

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Fed. R. Civ. P. 55(b)(2); Fed R. Bankr. P. 7055 (incorporating Fed. R. Civ. P. 55).

"Our starting point is the general rule that default judgments are ordinarily disfavored." *Eitel v. McCool*, 782 F.2d 1470, 1472 (9th Cir. 1986). Notwithstanding, "[c]ourts have inherent equitable powers to dismiss actions or enter default judgments for failure to prosecute, contempt of court, or abusive litigation practices." *TeleVideo Systems, Inc. v. Heidenthal*, 826 F.2d 915, 916 (9th Cir. 1987). "The general rule of law is that upon default the factual allegations of the complaint, except those relating to the amount of damages, will be taken as true." *Id.* at 917-18.

"The bankruptcy court has broad discretion to grant a default judgment." *Cascho Fin. Servs., Inc. v. McGee*, 359 B.R. 764, 771 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 2006). "Entry of default does not entitle the nondefaulting party to a default judgment as a matter of right." *Quarré v. Saylor*, 178 B.R. 209, 212 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1995), *aff'd*, 108 F.3d 219 (9th Cir. 1997). "The trial court's 'broad discretion' over entry of default judgment includes the discretion to require the plaintiff to prove its case with competent, admissible evidence, to assess matters in accordance with substantial justice, and to make reasonable inferences against the plaintiff." *Id.* at 775.

[A] default establishes the *well-pleaded* allegations of a complaint unless they are contrary to facts judicially noticed or to uncontroverted material in the file. Facts that are not well pled include allegations that are made indefinite or erroneous by other allegations in the same complaint, allegations which are contrary to the facts of which the court will take judicial notice, or which are not susceptible to proof by legitimate evidence, or which are contrary to the uncontroverted material in the file of the case. It follows that a default judgment that is based solely on the pleadings may only be granted upon well-pled factual allegations, and only for relief for which a sufficient basis is asserted in a complaint.

Id. at 772 (emphasis in original; internal citations and quotations omitted).

B. Eitel Factors

The factors to be considered for entry of a default judgment include:

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- (1) the possibility of prejudice to the plaintiff,
- (2) the merits of the plaintiff's substantive claim,
- (3) the sufficiency of the complaint,
- (4) the sum of money at stake in the action,
- (5) the possibility of a dispute concerning material facts,
- (6) whether the default was due to excusable neglect, and
- (7) the strong policy underlying the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure favoring decisions on the merits.

Saylor, 178 B.R. at 213 (citing *Eitel v. McCool*, 782 F.2d 1470, 1471–72 (9th Cir. 1986)). However, "Rule 55 gives the court considerable leeway as to what it may require as a prerequisite to the entry of a default judgment." *TeleVideo Systems, Inc.*, 826 F.2d at 917.

1. Possibility of Prejudice to Plaintiff

The first *Eitel* factor considers whether the plaintiff will "suffer[] lengthy and costly delays or be[] left without other recourse for recovery or the means to prevent ongoing harm." *Sharma v. Salcido (In re Sharma)*, B.A.P. No. CC-12-1302, 2013 WL 1987351, at *9 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. May 14, 2013), *aff'd*, 607 F. App'x 713 (9th Cir. 2015).

Given that Defendant has not responded despite the Plan Fiduciary having properly served him and Defendant having appeared, the Debtor will be prejudiced if a default judgment is not entered. Accordingly, this factor weighs in favor of entering a default judgment against Defendant.

2. Substantive Merits and Sufficiency of the Complaint

"The second and third [*Eitel*] factors, taken together, require that [a plaintiff] assert a claim upon which [it] may recover." *Sharma*, 2013 WL 1987351, at *10 (citing *IO Group, Inc. v. Jordon*, 708 F. Supp. 2d 989, 997 (N.D. Cal. 2010)). "For default

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judgment based solely on the complaint, without the benefit of a prove-up hearing, the facts in the complaint must go beyond being well-pled; they must support the ultimate determination of liability." *Id.*

a) Avoidance of Postpetition Transfers

A debtor-in-possession "may avoid a transfer of property of the estate ... that occurs after the commencement of the case ... and ... is not authorized under [the Bankruptcy Code] or by the court." 11 U.S.C. § 549(a); *see also* 11 U.S.C. § 1184 (providing that subchapter V debtor-in-possession has the rights, powers, functions and duties of a trustee under the Bankruptcy Code). Here, the Plan Fiduciary credibly alleges that the Transfers occurred postpetition and were made without the Court's authorization. Therefore, pursuant to § 549(a), the Plan Fiduciary is entitled to avoid them.

b) Recovery and Preservation of Avoided Transfers

The Bankruptcy Code provides that, "to the extent that a transfer is avoided under section ... 549..., the [debtor-in-possession] may recover, for the benefit of the estate, the property transferred or, if the court so orders, the value of such property." 11 U.S.C. § 550(a). "Any transfer avoided under section ... 549 ... is preserved for the benefit of the estate but only with respect to property of the estate." 11 U.S.C. § 551. Because Defendant is the initial transferee of the Transfers from the Debtor, the Plan Fiduciary can recover the value of the Transfers from Defendant. *See* 11 U.S.C. § 550(a)(1).

c) Disallowance of Claims

Regarding disallowance of claims against the estate, the Bankruptcy Code provides:

The court shall disallow any claim of any entity from which property is recoverable under section ... 550 ... or that is a transferee of a transfer avoidable under section ... 549..., unless such entity or transferee has paid the amount, or turned over any such property, for which such entity or transferee is liable under section ... 550....

11 U.S.C. § 502(d).

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As discussed above, Defendant is the transferee of the Transfers, which are avoidable under section 549 and recoverable under section 550, and has not paid the amount for which he is liable under section 550. Thus, any claim he may have against the Debtor's estate must be disallowed pursuant to section 502(d).

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Based on the foregoing analysis, the record before the Court "supports the ultimate determination of liability" for the Plan Fiduciary's claims in the Complaint. *See Sharma*, 2013 WL 1987351, at *10. Accordingly, the second and third *Eitel* factors weigh in favor of entering a default judgment against Defendant.

3. Amount at Stake

Under the fourth *Eitel* factor, "the court must consider the amount of money at stake in relation to the seriousness of [d]efendant's conduct." *PepsiCo, Inc. v. Cal. Sec. Cans*, 238 F. Supp. 2d 1172, 1176 (C.D. Cal. 2002). "If the sum of money at issue is reasonably proportionate to the harm caused by the defendant's actions, then default judgment is warranted." *Walters v. Statewide Concrete Barrier, Inc.*, No. C-04-2559, 2006 WL 2527776, at *4 (N.D. Cal. Aug. 30, 2006).

Here, the Debtor's requested damages consist of: (a) the aggregate value of the Transfers, i.e., \$39,230.78; (b) prejudgment interest at the legal rate from the date of each transfer until the date of this Court's judgment; and (c) reasonable fees and costs that the Plan Fiduciary incurred in prosecuting this adversary proceeding. Adv. Dkt. 35 at 20 (¶¶ 3, 7 and 8 of the Motion's prayer for relief). Because these requested damages are reasonably proportionate to the harm the Transfers caused to the Debtor's estate, this factor weighs in favor of entering a default judgment against Defendant.

4. Possibility of Dispute

The fifth *Eitel* factor considers the possibility that material facts may be in dispute. *Pepsico*, 238 F. Supp. 2d at 1177; *see also Eitel*, 782 F.2d at 1471-72. This Court's local rules provide that "if the amount claimed in a motion for judgment by default is unliquidated, the movant must submit evidence of the amount of damages by declarations in lieu of live testimony. Notice must be given to the defaulting party of

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the amount requested." Local Bankr. R. 7055-1(b)(2).

Here, the Plan Fiduciary gave notice to Defendant of the claimed amount of damages by serving a copy of the Motion on him. *See* Adv. Dkt. 35 at 49 (proof of service of Motion). The claimed principal amount of damages is supported by sufficient documentary evidence that the aggregate value of the Transfers was \$39,230.78. *See* Adv. Dkt. 35 at 26-38 (financial records), 22 (¶ 12 of Triplett decl. authenticating such records). Because the liquidation of the Debtor's principal amount of damages is not possibly the subject of dispute based on the uncontroverted record before the Court, the prejudgment interest thereon and the Plan Fiduciary's attorneys' fees and costs are also able to be liquidated without the possibility of dispute.

a) Prejudgment Interest

"[T]he award of prejudgment interest in a case under federal law is a matter left to the sound discretion of the trial court. Awards of prejudgment interest are governed by considerations of fairness and are awarded when it is necessary to make the wronged party whole." *Acquecia, Inc. v. Clinton (In re Acequia, Inc.)*, 34 F.3d 800, 818 (9th Cir. 1994) (quoting *Purcell v. United States*, 1 F.3d 932, 942-43 (9th Cir. 1993)).

"The federal prejudgment interest rate applies to actions brought under federal statute, such as bankruptcy proceedings, unless the equities of the case require a different rate." *Banks v. Gill Distrib. Ctrs., Inc.*, 263 F.3d 862, 871 (9th Cir. 2001). "Under federal law the rate of prejudgment interest is the Treasury Bill rate as defined in 28 U.S.C. § 1961 unless the district court finds on substantial evidence that a different prejudgment interest rate is appropriate." *United States v. Gordon*, 393 F.3d 1044, 1063 n.12 (9th Cir. 2004). Interest is calculated "at a rate equal to the weekly average 1-year constant maturity Treasury yield, as published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, for the calendar week preceding." 28 U.S.C. § 1961(a). Interest is computed daily. 28 U.S.C. § 1961(b).

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961 and the calculations set forth in Table 1 below, the Court fixes the aggregate amount of prejudgment interest on the Transfers as **\$5,738.92**.

Table 1. Prejudgment Interest Calculations

A. Date of Transfer	10/11/2022	10/12/2022	10/13/2022	10/23/2022
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B. Amount of Transfer (Principal)	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$4,384.62	\$18,846.16
C. Applicable Rate ¹	4.07%	4.07%	4.07%	4.38%
D. Daily Interest [D = (B × C) ÷ 365.25]	\$0.56	\$1.11	\$0.49	\$2.26
E. Number of Days Between Date of Transfer and Hearing on Motion [E = 5/8/2026 – A]	1,305	1,304	1,303	1,293
F. Amount of Prejudgment Interest [F = D × E, rounded to the nearest hundredth]	\$727.08	\$1,453.05	\$636.62	\$2,922.17

¹See *Selected Interest Rates Instruments, Yields in percent per annum: Weekly*, Fed. Rsrv. Bank of St. Louis, <https://fred.stlouisfed.org/release/tables?rid=18&eid=290&od=2022-10-11> (select "U.S. government securities," then "Treasury constant maturities," then "Nominal," then "1-year," then view column "Preceding Period") (last visited May 5, 2026).

b) Attorneys' Fees and Costs

The Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure provide that "costs ... should be allowed to the prevailing party." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7054(d)(1). They further contemplate that a plaintiff may claim "attorney's fees and related nontaxable expenses" by motion. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7054(d)(2)(A) (incorporating Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(d)(2)(A)–(C)). In the Motion, the Plan Fiduciary claims attorney's fees and costs as part of the Debtor's damages. See Adv. Dkt. 35 at 20 (¶ 8 of prayer for relief).

The Debtor's confirmed plan provides that for any recovery from prosecution of estate claims or work to reduce the value of the estate's claims and administrative expenses, the Plan Fiduciary and his attorneys are entitled to a contingent fee in the amount of 35% of the "gross amount of any recovery ... before deduction of any unreimbursed or unpaid costs ... and including any award of attorney's fees." Case Dkt. 251 at 22-23. The Debtor's confirmed plan further provides that "[t]he Plan Fiduciary's fees and expenses will be paid only from funds he collects through the prosecution of

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estate claims against third-parties to be filed postconfirmation...." Case Dkt. 258 at 2:18-19.

In this adversary proceeding, the amount of the Debtor's damages exclusive of fees and costs is \$44,969.70 (i.e., principal of \$39,230.78 plus prejudgment interest of \$5,738.92). Pursuant to the Debtor's confirmed plan, the Plan Fiduciary is entitled to a contingent fee thereon in the amount of \$15,739.40 (i.e., \$44,969.70 × 35%). *See id.*

This Court's local rules establish "procedures to resolve fee-related issues without extensive evidentiary hearings." *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7054(b)(2)(B) (authorizing court to establish such procedures by local rule); Local Bankr. R. 7055-1(b)(4). In relevant part, this Court's local rules provide:

- (A) ... Subject to subsection (b)(4)(B), the reasonableness of the attorneys' fee will be calculated based upon the amount of the judgment, exclusive of costs, according to the following schedule:

<u>Amount of Judgment</u>	<u>Attorneys' Fees Award</u>
\$0.01 - \$1,000	30% with a minimum of \$250
\$1,000.01 - \$10,000	\$300 plus 10% of the amount over \$1,000
\$10,000.01 - \$50,000	\$1,200 plus 6% of the amount over \$10,000
\$50,000.01 - \$100,000	\$3,600 plus 4% of the amount over \$50,000
Over \$100,000	\$5,600 plus 2% of the amount over \$100,000

- (B) An attorney seeking fees in excess of the schedule may request in the motion for default judgment to have a reasonable attorneys' fee fixed by the court. The court will hear the request and render judgment for such fee as the court may deem reasonable.

Local Bankr. R. 7055-1(b)(4).

Pursuant to the schedule in Local Bankruptcy Rule 7055-1(b)(4)(A), the Plan Fiduciary's presumptively reasonable fees in this adversary proceeding are \$3,298.18.

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See Local Bankr. R. 7055-1(b)(4)(A) (i.e., \$1,200 + (\$34,969.70 × 4%)).

Nevertheless, on the Plan Fiduciary's request in the Motion for fees in excess of the schedule pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 7055-1(b)(4)(B), *see* Adv. Dkt. 35 at 20 (¶ 8), the Court fixes the Plan Fiduciary's reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in prosecuting this adversary proceeding as \$15,739.40, i.e., 35% of the Debtor's damages exclusive of fees and costs.

Taken together, the total amount of the Debtor's claimed damages are **\$60,709.10**. Because the liquidation of the Debtor's damages is not possibly the subject of dispute based on the uncontroverted record before the Court, the fifth *Eitel* factor weighs in favor of entering a default judgment against Defendant.

5. Possibility of Excusable Neglect

The sixth *Eitel* factor considers whether the defendant's default may have been the product of excusable neglect. *See Pepsico*, 238 F.Supp.2d at 1177; *see also Eitel*, 782 F.2d at 1471–72. "Due process requires that all interested parties be given notice reasonably calculated to apprise them of the pendency of the action and be afforded an opportunity to present their objections before a final judgment is rendered." *Elektra Ent. Grp., Inc. v. Bryant*, No. 03–6381, 2004 WL 783123, at *5 (C.D. Cal. Feb. 13, 2004) (citing *Mullane v. Cent. Hanover Tr. Co.*, 339 U.S. 306, 314 (1950)). Here, the Plan Fiduciary properly served Defendant with the Complaint and a summons, and subsequently served him and his counsel with the Motion. Although Defendant appeared in this adversary on his own behalf and later through his counsel, he never filed a written response. Accordingly, this factor weighs in favor of entering a default judgment against Defendant.

6. Policy for Deciding Cases on the Merits

"Cases should be decided upon their merits whenever reasonably possible." *Eitel*, 782 F.2d at 1472 (citing *Pena v. Seguros La Comercial, S.A.*, 770 F.2d 811, 814 (9th Cir. 1985)). Because Defendant did not respond to the Complaint or the Motion, this factor does not preclude entry of a default judgment against Defendant.

III. CONCLUSION

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Because all *Eitel* factors weigh in favor of entry of default judgment, the Court will grant the Motion and enter default judgment in favor of the Plan Fiduciary and against Defendant in the amount of **\$60,709.10**. The Court will disallow Defendant's scheduled claim against Debtor in its entirety. Assuming the default judgment is entered on or before Monday, May 18, 2026, postjudgment interest will accrue at a rate of 3.72%. See 28 U.S.C. § 1961; *Selected Interest Rates Instruments, Yields in percent per annum: Weekly*, Fed. Rsrv. Bank of St. Louis, <https://fred.stlouisfed.org/release/tables?rid=18&eid=290&od=2026-05-01> (select "U.S. government securities," then "Treasury constant maturities," then "Nominal," then "1-year," then view column "Value") (last visited May 5, 2026).

No later than Friday, May 15, 2026, the Plan Fiduciary must lodge: (1) a proposed order granting the Motion, and (2) a default judgment using the Court's mandatory form [F 7055.1.2.DEFAULT.JMT](#).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

National Association of Television	Represented By Leslie A Cohen
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Defendant(s):

Wayneston Harbeson, an individual	Pro Se
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Plaintiff(s):

Jeremy W. Faith, Chapter 11 Plan	Represented By Meghann A Triplett Samuel Mushegh Boyamian
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Trustee(s):

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10/23/25; 12/11/25; 2/12/26; 3/26/26; 5/5/26

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Tentative Ruling:

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The Court will continue the adversary proceeding status conference to 6/25/26 @ 1:30 p.m. The continued status conference will come off calendar, assuming the default judgment is entered before then. *See* Cal. No. 9.

Ruling for February 11, 2026

Tentative adopted as final ruling.

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Continued to 4/23/26 at 1:30 p.m., in order for Plaintiff to file and serve a motion for default judgment. **Appearances on 2/11/26 are excused.** Plaintiff must file and serve notice of the continued status conference.

Ruling for December 11, 2025

Tentative adopted as final ruling.

Tentative Ruling for December 11, 2025

Continued to 2/12/26 at 1:30 p.m. **Appearances on 12/10/25 are excused.** Plaintiff to file and serve notice of continued status conference.

Final Ruling for 10/23/2025:

Continued to 12/11/2025 at 1:30 p.m. **Appearances excused on 10/23/2025.** This hearing has been continued in accordance with the *Shutdown Plan*, which was adopted by the Court pursuant to Volume 13, Chapter 2, Section 230.50 of the *Guide to Judiciary Policy* and the Office of General Counsel's memorandum dated October

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13, 2023, to address a lapse in appropriations for the Judiciary. This hearing may be continued further, from time to time, in accordance with the *Shutdown Plan*. Pursuant to the Anti-Deficiency Act, certain work may continue during a lapse of appropriations if it involves an "emergenc[y] involving the safety of human life or the protection of property." If you believe that this matter constitutes such an emergency, you may file a written application to be heard by the Court sooner than the specified continuation date.

Ruling for 6/30/25:

Continued to September 11, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.
Plaintiff to give notice of continued status conference
Appearance waived on 6/30/25

Ruling for 4/16/25:

Continued to June 30, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.
Plaintiff to give notice of continued status conference
Appearance waived on 4/16/25

Ruling for February 26, 2025

Continued by stipulation of the parties to April 16, 2025 at 1:30p

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Defendant(s):

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#9.02 Status conference re complaint

fr. 1/14/25; 4/16/25; 7/17/25; 10/23/25; 12/11/25; 2/12/26;
4/23/26; 5/5/26

Docket 1

*** VACATED *** REASON: On the Court's own motion, continued to
5/27/26 @ 2:30 p.m.

Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for February 11, 2026

Tentative adopted as final ruling.

Tentative Ruling for February 11, 2026

Continued to 4/23/26 at 1:30 p.m., in order for Plaintiff to file and serve a motion for leave to amend the complaint. **Appearances on 2/11/26 are excused.** Plaintiff must file and serve notice of the continued status conference.

Ruling for December 11, 2025

Tentative adopted as final ruling.

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Continued to 2/12/26 at 1:30 p.m. **Appearances on 12/10/25 are excused.** Plaintiff to file and serve notice of continued status conference.

Final Ruling for 10/23/2025:

Continued to 12/11/2025 at 1:30 p.m. **Appearances excused on 10/23/2025.**

This hearing has been continued in accordance with the *Shutdown Plan*, which was adopted by the Court pursuant to Volume 13, Chapter 2, Section 230.50 of the *Guide to Judiciary Policy* and the Office of General Counsel's memorandum dated October 13, 2023, to address a lapse in appropriations for the Judiciary. This hearing may be continued further, from time to time, in

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Ruling for 7/17/25

Cont'd to October 23, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Ruling for 4/16/25:

Continued to July 17, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.
Plaintiff to give notice of continued status conference
Appearance waived on 4/16/25

Ruling for January 14, 2025

Status conference continued to 4/16/25 @ 1:30 p.m. Parties to file a brief status report by 4/9/25.

Party Information

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Defendant(s):

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Plaintiff(s):

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#10.00 Motion for Order: (1) Recognizing Peter Law Groups Suspended Status; (2) Setting a Defined Grace Period to Obtain Revivor; (3) Staying Peter Law Groups Participation Pending Revivor (Corporate Defendant Only); and (4) If PLG Does Not File Proof of Revivor Within the Designated Grace Period, Deeming PLG's Filings During the Suspension Period Stricken and Disregarded

fr. 5/6/26; 5/5/26

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for May 8, 2026

For the reasons set forth below, the Court will grant chapter 11 plan fiduciary Jeremy W. Faith's motion to temporarily stay the participation of the suspended corporate defendant Arnold P. Peter, a professional corporation doing business as Peter Law Group ("PLG").

I. BACKGROUND

A. The Bankruptcy Case

On October 11, 2022, National Association of Television Program Executives, Inc. (the "Debtor" or "NATPE") filed a chapter 11 subchapter V petition. Case Dkt. 1. The Debtor's statement of financial affairs disclosed that in the 1-year prepetition period, the Debtor paid \$41,009 to PLG, with whom the Debtor "consulted about debt consolidation or restructuring, seeking bankruptcy relief, or filing a bankruptcy case." Case Dkt. 27 at 132. Additionally, in the 90-day prepetition period, the Debtor paid PLG \$195,300.90 for "Legal Fees." *Id.* at 129, 142.

On March 16, 2023, the Debtor filed an application to employ PLG as its special litigation counsel and to provide general nonbankruptcy counsel services. Case Dkt. 97. At a hearing on May 9, 2023, the Court granted the application, subject to certain

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modifications by the United States Trustee, which were agreed to by PLG and the Debtor. Case Dkts. 112, 101 (stipulation). The Court subsequently approved applications filed by PLG for payment of its interim fees. Case Dkts. 167, 188, 255.

On September 17, 2024, the Court entered an order confirming the Debtor's second amended plan of liquidation. Case Dkt. 251 (the "Plan"); Case Dkt. 258 (order). Pursuant to the confirmed Plan, Jeremy W. Faith was appointed as the plan fiduciary of the Debtor's estate (the "Plan Fiduciary"). Case Dkt. 358 at 3-4 (§ D). The confirmation order provides in relevant part that:

[T]he Plan Fiduciary succeed[s] to any and all claims, defenses, powers and interests held by the Debtor..., and the Plan expressly reserves all such claims, defenses, powers and interests to the Plan Fiduciary, including, without limitation, rights to object to the allowance of claims, request the subordination of claims, avoid transfers of property or interests in property of the Debtor, and seek recovery of property, damages, or equitable relief.

Id. at 6-7 (§ K).

Specifically, the Plan stated that the Plan Fiduciary "may investigate and pursue any and all claims, subject only to the following limitations:"

- Recovery on claims against directors and officers relating to the breach of their duties as directors and officers shall be limited to the D&O insurance policy. This limitation shall not apply to claims related to any funds paid by NATPE to directors and/or officers. ...
- No claims shall be brought against JP Bommel relating to the value of services performed by him; provided, however, that claims may be brought against him related to the avoidance of deferred compensation, severance, and preferential payments.
- No claims shall be brought against Arnold Peter or Peter Law Group relating to the value of services performed by them prepetition[; and]

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- Arnold P. Peter, Peter Law Group, JP Bommel, and [the Debtor]'s directors & officers and the D&O insurance carrier reserve all defenses and counterclaims (to be used as offsets only) to any claims alleged or brought by the Plan Fiduciary[.]

Case Dkt. 251 at 23.

B. The Adversary Proceeding

On March 6, 2026, the Plan Fiduciary filed a first amended complaint against: Jean Pierre Bommel, an individual ("Bommel"); Arnold P. Peter, an individual ("Peter"); PLG; and Does 1-50. Adv. Dkt. 67 (the "Complaint"). The Court previously granted, over PLG's objection, the Plan Fiduciary's motion for leave to amend its original complaint to name PLG as a defendant. Adv. Dkt. 68.

In the Complaint, the Plan Fiduciary alleges that PLG is a professional corporation organized under California law and that Peter is PLG's president and sole shareholder. Adv. Dkt. 67 at ¶ 7. The California Franchise Tax Board allegedly suspended or forfeited PLG's corporate powers effective June 1, 2017, and PLG has remained delinquent in its corporate filings through at least February 26, 2026. *Id.* at ¶¶ 253-255. Despite PLG's suspension, pre- and postpetition, PLG allegedly provided legal services to the Debtor and continued to accept payment for those services from the Debtor and the Debtor's estate. *Id.* at ¶¶ 7, 204-205, 226-229, 230(d), 258-259. PLG and its principal, Peter, allegedly failed to disclose PLG's suspended status to the Debtor or in PLG's application to be employed as special counsel to the Debtor's estate, which this Court subsequently approved. *Id.* at ¶¶ 151, 260-262.

The Plan Fiduciary further alleges that PLG was negligent, breached its fiduciary duties and applicable standards of care to the Debtor, and committed legal malpractice. Specifically, the Plan Fiduciary alleges that PLG, among other things:

- (a) failed to give competent legal advice concerning certain insider compensation and severance decisions made while the Debtor was insolvent and instead facilitated the insiders' raiding of the Debtor, *id.* at ¶¶ 43-121, 129-130, 198-208, 230(c), 232, 233(d), 233(g)-(j), 234;

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- (b) participated itself in raiding the Debtor, *id.* at ¶¶ 149-152, 233(c);
- (c) failed to give competent legal advice concerning the Debtor's prepetition decision to cancel a major transaction with creditor Fontainebleau Florida Hotel, LLC dba Fontainebleau Miami Beach, *id.* at ¶¶ 32-40, 230(b), 233(e)-(f), 238-240;
- (d) after Fontainebleau filed an arbitration claim in an amount exceeding \$3,000,000 regarding that cancellation, failed to timely notify and seek coverage from the carrier of the Debtor's directors and officers insurance policy, resulting in denial of coverage and loss of up to \$1,000,000 in potential insurance proceeds, *id.* at ¶¶ 156-161, 230(a); and
- (e) failed to disclose concurrent conflicts of interest between the Debtor, the Debtor's insiders, Peter and PLG, *id.* at ¶¶ 173-177, 179-184, 200, 203, 233(b)-(c).

On April 6, 2026, Peter and PLG filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint. Adv. Dkt. 78. Pursuant to the parties' stipulation, Peter and PLG's motion to dismiss will be heard on July 9, 2026 at 2:30 p.m. Adv. Dkt. 102 (stipulation); Adv. Dkt. 103 (order approving stipulation).

C. The Motion

On March 25, 2026, the Plan Fiduciary filed a "Motion for Order: (1) Recognizing Peter Law Group's Suspended Status; (2) Setting a Defined Grace Period to Obtain Revivor; (3) Staying Peter Law Group's Participation Pending Revivor (Corporate Defendant Only); and (4) If PLG Does Not File Proof of Revivor Within the Designated Grace Period, Deeming PLG's Filings During the Suspension Period Stricken and Disregarded." Adv. Dkt. 70 (the "Motion"). In the Motion, the Plan Fiduciary argues that because PLG is suspended by the California Franchise Tax Board, PLG lacks capacity to participate in this adversary proceeding until and unless the suspension is lifted.

On April 21, 2026, PLG¹ filed an opposition to the Motion. Adv. Dkt. 101 (the "Opposition"). On May 5, 2026, the Plan Fiduciary filed a reply to the Opposition.

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Adv. Dkt. 105 (the "Reply").²

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II. DISCUSSION

A. Judicial Notice of PLG's Suspension

The Federal Rules of Evidence provide that, "at any stage of the proceeding," the court may take judicial notice of "a fact that is not subject to reasonable dispute because it ... can be accurately and readily determined from sources whose accuracy cannot reasonably be questioned." Fed. R. Evid. 201(b)(2), (d).

Attached to the Motion is a request for judicial notice of certain authenticated public records from California state agencies. *Id.* at 11. Specifically, the Plan Fiduciary offers:

- (1) a certificate from the California Secretary of State indicating that PLG's "powers rights and privileges are suspended" as of February 26, 2026, *id.* at 13;
- (2) an "Entity Status Letter" from the California Franchise Tax Board dated March 16, 2026, which states that PLG "is **not** in good standing with the Franchise Tax Board," *id.* at 15; and
- (3) a print-out of the California Secretary of State's business entity search website dated March 24, 2026, which lists PLG's status as "Suspended – FTB," *id.* at 17.

The Court's own search of the California Secretary of State's website confirms that PLG is suspended. *See Business Search for "2726257"*, Cal. Sec'y of State, <https://bizfileonline.sos.ca.gov/search/business> (last visited May 7, 2026).

Moreover, in August of 2025, PLG acknowledged its suspended status in papers filed with this Court. Case Dkt. 353 at 4-5 ("the suspension was due to an administrative error caused by certain tax returns not being properly recorded. Those tax returns are currently being resubmitted, and a petition for revivor will be filed forthwith.").

Because the Court can accurately and readily determine PLG's suspended status, and the Plan Fiduciary's authenticated public records from California state agencies

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cannot reasonably be questioned, the Court takes judicial notice of the fact that PLG is a suspended corporation.

B. Capacity to Defend a Suit

The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provide that a corporation's "capacity to sue or be sued is determined ... by the law under which it was organized...." Fed. R. Civ. P. 17(b)(2); Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7017 (incorporating Fed. R. Civ. P. 17). As PLG acknowledges in the Opposition, it is a professional corporation organized under California law. Adv. Dkt. 101 at 6:4-5, 17:3-5.

California law provides that a corporation's "powers, rights, and privileges ... may be suspended" by the Franchise Tax Board if the corporation fails to pay any tax, penalty, or interest. Cal. Rev. & Tax. Code § 23301; *see Gar-Lo, Inc. v. Prudential Sav. & Loan Ass'n*, 116 Cal. Rptr. 389 (Cal. Ct. App. 1974) (discussing suspended corporation's right to litigate under section 23301). "The purpose of the suspension is to induce the payment of taxes." *Gough v. Titus (In re Christian & Porter Aluminum Co.)*, 584 F.2d 326, 332 (9th Cir. 1978).

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has consistently upheld the inability of a suspended California corporation to "sue or defend a lawsuit while its taxes remain unpaid." *See, e.g., Bozzio v. EMI Grp. Ltd.*, 811 F.3d 1144, 1149 (9th Cir. 2016) (quoting *Kaufman & Broad Cmtys., Inc. v. Performance Plastering, Inc.*, 39 Cal. Rptr. 3d 33, 36 (Cal. Ct. App. 2006)); *Cnty. Elec. Serv. of Los Angeles, Inc. v. Nat'l Elec. Contractors Ass'n, Inc.*, 869 F.2d 1235, 1239 (9th Cir. 1989), abrogated in part on other grounds by *Townsend v. Holman Consulting Corp.*, 914 F.2d 1136 (9th Cir. 1990). A corporation may retroactively obtain the capacity to defend itself by paying its taxes and obtaining a certificate of revivor from the Franchise Tax Board. *See* Cal. Rev. & Tax. Code §§ 23305, 23305a, 23305b.

Because PLG is suspended and has not obtained a certificate of revivor, it currently has no capacity to defend itself in this adversary proceeding.

C. Remedy for Suspended Defendant

The Court has inherent authority to control its own docket and ensure the prompt resolution of lawsuits. *See, e.g., Chambers v. NASCO, Inc.*, 501 U.S. 32, 55 (1991).

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The Bankruptcy Code further provides that "[t]he court may issue any order, process, or judgment that its necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this title." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a).

Generally, when a corporate defendant is suspended, the appropriate remedy is to grant a short continuance in order for the corporation to revive itself. *See United States v. 2.61 Acres of Land, More or Less, Situated in Mariposa Cnty.*, 791 F.2d 666 (9th Cir. 1985); *Timberline, Inc. v. Jaisinghani*, 64 Cal. Rptr. 2d 4, 6 (Cal. Ct. App. 1997) ("if the corporation's [suspended] status ... comes to light during litigation, the normal practice is for the trial court to permit a short continuance to enable the suspended corporation to effect reinstatement (by paying back taxes, interest and penalties) to defend itself in court.").

In the Motion, the Plan Fiduciary requests that PLG's participation in this adversary proceeding be temporarily stayed for 30 days in order for PLG to revive itself. That request is appropriate, not as a sanction against PLG, but rather for (a) the Court to determine whether PLG intends to be revived such that it can defend itself in this adversary proceeding, and (b) the Plan Fiduciary to efficiently prosecute this adversary proceeding on behalf of the Debtor's estate.

III. CONCLUSION

The Court will temporarily stay PLG's participation in this adversary proceeding through **Friday, June 12, 2026**. During the stay, PLG may not take any actions to defend itself, including by filing pleadings or motions, propounding or responding to discovery, seeking affirmative relief, or pursuing appellate relief, unless and until PLG is revived. PLG may seek to have the stay terminated by filing and serving an authenticated certificate of revivor issued by the Franchise Tax Board. If PLG has not filed and served proof of revivor by the expiration of the stay, the Court may, among other actions, strike PLG's motion to dismiss the Complaint. *See Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(f); Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7012(b)* (incorporating Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)-(i)).

No later than Friday, May 15, 2026, the Plan Fiduciary shall lodge a proposed order granting the Motion.

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¹ The Opposition is captioned as "Defendant's" opposition and was signed and e-filed by Peter himself, appearing as attorney for Peter and PLG. Adv. Dkt. 101 at 1, 18. The Opposition never defines the term "Defendant" as it is used therein. However, PLG is the only signatory named in the signature block of the Opposition. *Id.* at 18:4.

² On May 6, 2026, PLG filed an application to strike the Opposition as untimely. Adv. Dkt. 106; *see* Local Bankr. R. 9013-1(g) (providing that the Reply was due by May 1, 2026 "[u]nless the court finds good cause"). From April 30 to May 4, 2026, CM/ECF and other Court systems were unavailable for essential security upgrades. *See* Court's Public Notice No. 26-005, <https://www.cacb.uscourts.gov/sites/cacb/files/documents/news/PN-26-005.pdf> (Apr. 6, 2026). The Court thus finds that, in accordance with Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(g), good cause exists to consider the Reply; PLG's application to strike the Reply is **DENIED**.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

National Association of Television	Represented By Leslie A Cohen
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Defendant(s):

Jean Pierre Bommel, an individual	Represented By Melissa Davis Lowe
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Arnold P. Peter, an individual	Represented By Arnold P Peter
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Plaintiff(s):

Jeremy W. Faith, Chapter 11 Plan	Represented By Meghann A Triplett Samuel Mushegh Boyamian
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Trustee(s):

John-Patrick McGinnis Fritz (TR)	Pro Se
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#11.00 Defendant Jean Pierre Bommels Motion to Dismiss
First Amended Complaint Pursuant to FRCP 12(B)6

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***** VACATED *** REASON: Continued by stipulation to 7/9/26 at 2:30
pm [Dkt. #103]**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

National Association of Television	Represented By Leslie A Cohen
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Defendant(s):

Jean Pierre Bommel, an individual	Represented By Melissa Davis Lowe
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#12.00 Defendant Arnold P. Peter's Motion
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pm [Dkt. #103]**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

National Association of Television	Represented By Leslie A Cohen
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Defendant(s):

Jean Pierre Bommel, an individual	Represented By Melissa Davis Lowe
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Movant(s):

Arnold P. Peter, an individual	Represented By Arnold P Peter Arnold P Peter
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Plaintiff(s):

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#13.00 Status conference re first amended complaint

fr. 1/14/25; 2/18/25; 4/16/25; 7/17/25; 9/29/25; 10/23/25;
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pm [Dkt. #103]

Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for February 23, 2026

Continued to 5/6/26 @ 1:30 p.m. An updated joint status report is due by 4/29/26.

Final Ruling for October 23, 2025

Continued to **12/11/2025 at 1:30 p.m.** Appearances excused on 10/23/2025. This hearing has been continued in accordance with the *Shutdown Plan*, which was adopted by the Court pursuant to Volume 13, Chapter 2, Section 230.50 of the *Guide to Judiciary Policy* and the Office of General Counsel's memorandum dated October 13, 2023, to address a lapse in appropriations for the Judiciary. This hearing may be continued further, from time to time, in accordance with the *Shutdown Plan*. Pursuant to the Anti-Deficiency Act, certain work may continue during a lapse of appropriations if it involves an "emergenc[y] involving the safety of human life or the protection of property." If you believe that this matter constitutes such an emergency, you may file a written application to be heard by the Court sooner than the specified continuation date.

Ruling for 7/17/25

Cont'd to September 29, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. No new status report is required.

Ruling for 4/16/25:

Continued to July 17, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.
Plaintiff to give notice of continued status conference
Appearance waived on 4/16/25

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Defendant(s):

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Plaintiff(s):

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#14.00 Status conference re:
Motion to Disallow Debtor's Claim of
Homestead Exemption Under 11 U.S.C. 522(q)

fr. 6/17/25; 8/14/25;8/29/25; 10/23/25; 12/11/25; 1/30/26;
3/12/26; 4/27/26

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Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for March 12, 2026

This matter is **continued** to 4/27/26 at 1:30 pm; trailing status conference in adversary Jones v. Libman.

Ruling for January 30, 2026

Continued to 3/12/26 @ 1:30 p.m.

Ruling for December 11, 2025

Continued to 1/30/26 @ 1:30 p.m.

Final Ruling for 10/23/2025:

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written application to be heard by the Court sooner than the specified continuation date.

Ruling for June 17, 2025

Continued to 8/14/25 @ 1:30 p.m. so that the common issues with the pending adversary, 1:25-01031-MB, can be tried together.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

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Represented By
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Trustee(s):

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#15.00 Status conference re:
Motion to Avoid Judicial Lien with Antwon Jones

fr. 6/17/25; 8/14/25; 8/29/25; 10/23/25; 12/11/25; 1/30/26;
3/12/26; 4/27/26

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Tentative Ruling:

Ruling for March 12, 2026

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Ruling for January 30, 2026

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Ruling for December 11, 2025

Continued to 1/30/26 @ 1:30 p.m.

Final Ruling for 10/23/2025:

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Ruling for August 29, 2025

Continued as a status conference on the Motion to 10/23/25 @ 1:30 p.m.

Ruling for June 17, 2025

Continued to 8/14/25 @ 1:30 p.m. so that the common issues with the pending adversary, 1:25-01031-MB, can be tried together.

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Answer to First Amended Complaint

fr. 5/6/26

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Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Michael Jacob Libman

Represented By
Eric Bensamochan

Defendant(s):

Michael Jacob Libman

Represented By
Robert A Kashfian

Plaintiff(s):

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Paul P Young

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#17.00 Status conference re first amended complaint

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3/12/26; 4/27/26

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Status conference is **continued** to 4/27/26 at 1:30 pm. An updated joint status report must be filed no later than 4/20/26.

Ruling for January 30, 2026

Continued to 3/12/26 @ 1:30 p.m.

Ruling for December 11, 2025

Debtor to file his answer to the FAC no later than 1/12/26.

A continued status conference will be held on 1/30/26 @ 1:30 p.m.

A joint status report to be filed by 1/22/26.

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San Fernando Valley
Martin R. Barash, Presiding
Courtroom 303 Calendar**

Friday, May 8, 2026

Hearing Room 303

3:30 PM

1:26-10969 BKR LLC

Chapter 11

#18.00 Emergency Motion to Use Cash Collateral on an Interim Basis

Docket 3

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

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