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2:24-18315 Richard Lemont Gocha

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#1.00 Hrg re: Motion under Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1 (n) and (w) to modify plan or suspend plan payments

Docket 39

Tentative Ruling:

<u>Appearances required</u>, absent either (1) an agreement with the Chapter 13 Trustee's office to further continue this matter or (2) withdrawal of the motion. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address the issues raised by the Chapter 13 Trustee (dkt. 40).

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Richard Lemont Gocha Represented By

Devin Sawdayi

Movant(s):

Richard Lemont Gocha Represented By

Devin Sawdayi

Trustee(s):

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2:24-11601 Bertha Tease

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#2.00 Hrg re: Motion under Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1 (n) and (w) to modify plan or suspend plan payments

Docket 50

*** VACATED *** REASON: Order granting motion issued 9/8/25 (dkt.

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Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Bertha Tease Represented By

Devin Sawdayi

Movant(s):

Bertha Tease Represented By

Devin Sawdayi

Trustee(s):

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2:23-12397 Angelo Basurto

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#3.00 Hrg re: Debtor's Motion to Modify Plan

Docket 50

Tentative Ruling:

<u>Appearances required</u>, absent either (1) an agreement with the Chapter 13 Trustee's office to further continue this matter or (2) withdrawal of the motion. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address the issues raised by the Chapter 13 Trustee (dkt. 49/52) in response to Debtor's motion and (apparently) duplicate motion (dkt. 48/50).

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Angelo Basurto Represented By

Raymond Perez

Movant(s):

Angelo Basurto Represented By

Raymond Perez

Trustee(s):

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2:25-17041 Gary Edward Smith

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#4.00 Hrg re: Order Directing Gary Edward Smith to Appear And Show Cause Why (1) This Case Should Not Be Dismissed And (2) Why This Court Should Not Impose Concurrent 180-Day And Permanent Bars Against Being A Debtor In Any Future Bankruptcy Case.

Docket 12

Tentative Ruling:

Dismiss the case, with concurrent 180-day and permanent bars against being a debtor in other bankruptcy cases, but retain jurisdiction to adjudicate the R/S Motion (dkt. 16) filed by Bank of New York Mellon (and any other proper requests for post-dismissal relief), for the reasons set forth in the Order to Show Cause (dkt. 12). Appearances required.

<u>Proposed order(s):</u> After the hearing date <u>this Court will prepare an</u> order dismissing the case.

<u>Key documents reviewed</u>: Application to set status conference in lieu of immediate dismissal filed by United States Trustee ("UST") (dkt. 10); Order to show cause re: dismissal (dkt. 12, the "OSC"); Proof of service of OSC (dkt. 14); No response to OSC on file

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Gary Edward Smith Pro Se

Trustee(s):

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2:25-18177 Mary Magdaline Sandoval

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#5.00

Hrg re: Motion in Individual Case for Order Imposing a Stay or Continuing the Automatic Stay as the Court Deems Appropriate

Docket 9

Tentative Ruling:

Grant, subject to the following conditions. <u>Appearances are not required</u>. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at <u>www.cacb.uscourts.gov</u>, then search for "tentative rulings.").

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<u>Key documents reviewed</u> (in addition to motion papers): N/A (no opposition on file as of the preparation of this tentative ruling)

The tentative ruling is that a presumption of lack of good faith arises under 11 U.S.C. 362(c)(3)(C)(i)(II)(cc) (failure to perform terms of confirmed plan in prior case no. 2:24-bk-13825-NB, dkt. 64). However, the tentative ruling is that Debtor has presented sufficient evidence of a substantial change in her personal or financial affairs – she testifies that her domestic partner, who will be contributing to the Plan, has made changes to his business to increase earnings. Sandoval Decl. (dkt. 9, PDF pp. 13–14) p. 2:4–10. True, it would have been better had Debtor's declaration included more precise details regarding her domestic partner's ability to contribute to her Plan. Nonetheless, the tentative ruling is that Debtor's declaration, combined with her bankruptcy Schedules I and J providing additional information regarding her income, add up to clear and convincing evidence.

To the extent this Court maintains this tentative ruling, this Court will

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<u>prepare an order</u> continuing the automatic stay including the following language (Judge Bason's standard terms and conditions):

The stay of 11 U.S.C. 362(a) applies subject to the following modifications and conditions:

- (1) <u>Service and reconsideration</u>. Any party in interest who was not timely served in accordance with FRBP 7004 (incorporated by FRBP 9014(b)) is hereby granted through 14 days after proper service to seek reconsideration, including retroactive relief (under FRBP 9023 and/or 9024). Any such person (a) may set a hearing on 14 days' notice, (b) may appear by telephone (if arrangements are made per Judge Bason's posted procedures), and (c) may present all arguments orally at the hearing (*i.e.*, no written argument is required). If written arguments appear necessary then this court will set a briefing schedule at the hearing.
- (2) Reasons. (a) It appears appropriate to continue/impose the automatic stay, and to continue/impose it as to all persons rather than just as to selected persons, because one purpose of the automatic stay is preventing a "race to collect" that could unfairly advantage some creditors at the expense of others. (b) To prevent possible abuse, this Court provides the foregoing simple process for reconsideration.
- (3) <u>Very limited ruling</u>. This Court's tentative ruling to grant the foregoing relief is solely for purposes of this motion, and is not intended to have any binding effect with respect to any future assertions by any party in interest regarding the existence or lack of existence of good faith in any <u>other</u> context.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Mary Magdaline Sandoval Represented By

Onyinye N Anyama

Movant(s):

Mary Magdaline Sandoval Represented By

Onyinye N Anyama

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2:25-15514 Marian Kirk Jackson

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#6.00

Hrg re: Debtor's request to modify secured creditor's secured claim and lien and value the collateral; Chapter 13 Plan - 3rd Amended as motion to value

Docket 40

*** VACATED *** REASON: Resolved by stipulation (dkt. 46) and order thereon (dkt. 48).

Tentative Ruling:

Party Information		
Debtor(s):		
Marian Kirk Jackson	Pro Se	
Movant(s):		
Marian Kirk Jackson	Pro Se	
Trustee(s):		
Kathy A Dockery (TR)	Pro Se	

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#1.00 Cont'd hrg re: Putative Partner Alexander Sabadash's motion for fees and damages, under 11 U.S.C. section 303(I) and sanctions under FRBP 9011 and the courts inherent power fr. 8/5/25, 8/19/25, 9/9/25

Docket 91

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 10/9/25:

Please see the tentative ruling for Cal. No. 3 (10/9/25 at 2:00 p.m.).

Tentative Ruling for 9/9/25:

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Itkin & Sabadash Pro Se

Movant(s):

Alexander Sabadash Represented By

Michael Zorkin

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2:25-11235 Itkin & Sabadash

Chapter 7

#2.00 Cont'd hrg re: Putative Partner Alexander Sabadash's motion for fees and damages, under 11 U.S.C. section 303(I)

fr. 8/5/25, 8/19/25, 9/9/25

Docket 90

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 10/9/25:

Please see the tentative ruling for Cal. No. 3 (10/9/25 at 2:00 p.m.).

Tentative Ruling for 9/9/25:

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Itkin & Sabadash Pro Se

Movant(s):

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Michael Zorkin

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#3.00 Cont'd Status conference re: Chapter 7 Involuntary Petition fr. 4/22/25, 6/3/25, 6/17/25, 8/19/25, 9/9/25

Docket 1

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 10/9/25:

<u>Appearances required</u>. There is no tentative ruling, but without disclosing confidential settlement communications, the parties should be prepared to discuss the status of the mediation.

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Itkin & Sabadash

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