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Tentative Ruling:

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2:25-17917 Cesar Barajas

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#1.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 21

Tentative Ruling:

The tentative ruling is to (x) continue this hearing to 12/16/25 at 10:00 a.m. to monitor Debtor's sale efforts, (y) set a **deadline of 12/3/25 for Movant** to serve a copy of the motion papers and notice of the continued hearing, and the deadlines in this tentative ruling, on co-borrower/co-owner Ariana Barajas and Debtor, and file a proof of service, and (z) set a **deadline of 12/11/25 at noon for any response by Ms. Baraja and for Debtor** to file a supplemental declaration from a broker or real estate agent describing all efforts that have been undertaken to market the property for sale. Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movant is directed to lodge a proposed interim order on the foregoing matter via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B) and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby incorporating it as this Court's actual ruling.

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Key documents reviewed (in addition to motion papers): Debtor's opposition (dkt. 23)

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Analysis

The tentative ruling is that Movant has established sufficient "cause" for relief under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) based on Debtor's failure to make post-petition mortgage payments and history of bankruptcy filings and, therefore, this Court "shall" grant some form of relief. But that relief need not be to terminate the automatic stay at this time, and instead appropriate relief is granted by mandating adequate protection in the form of a combination of (1) the equity cushion above Movant's lien, (2) Debtor's efforts to sell the property, and (3) continued hearing(s) to monitor those efforts. As for "in rem" relief under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(4), the tentative ruling is that Movant must provide supplemental service of the motion and notice of a continued hearing as set forth herein.

Relief notwithstanding future bankruptcy cases

As to the requested relief that will remain effective notwithstanding any future bankruptcy case, continue the motion to the date and time set forth at the start of this tentative ruling, for service on the persons who executed the documents through which the movant asserts its interest in the property (sometimes referred to in the mortgage context as the "original borrower"). Reasons: See LBR 4001-1(c)(1)(B). In addition, Judge Bason has due process concerns about granting such relief without service on the person(s) whose interests may be most directly affected. See *generally Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co.*, 339 U.S. 306 (1950) (due process generally). In this matter, such persons appear to include: Adriana Barajas. See dkt. 21, PDF p. 33.

Effective date of relief

Grant the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a)(4) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.). In other words, Movant is not stayed in doing any pre-foreclosure activities, such as sending notices related to foreclosure, but is barred from actually foreclosing so long as Debtor shows sufficient progress towards a consensual sale of the subject property (or a satisfactory alternative such as refinancing).

Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have

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any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so
the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Cesar Barajas

Represented By
Onyinye N Anyama

Movant(s):

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL

Represented By
Sean C Ferry

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-10324 Dennis Earl Rufus, Sr. and Liz Aase Rufus

Chapter 13

#2.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

FOOTHILL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 41

Tentative Ruling:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
 - (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
 - (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant
- (see Debtors' response, dkt. 47; Trustee's response, dkt. 44).

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dennis Earl Rufus Sr.

Represented By
Julie J Villalobos

Joint Debtor(s):

Liz Aase Rufus

Represented By
Julie J Villalobos

Movant(s):

Foothill Federal Credit Union

Represented By

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Shannon A Doyle
Michael R. Brooks

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:23-11247 Edmund Lincoln Anderson

Chapter 13

#3.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

HSBC BANK USA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 208

Tentative Ruling:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
 - (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
 - (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant
- (see Debtor's response, dkt. 219; Trustee's response, dkt. 210).

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Edmund Lincoln Anderson

Represented By
Stella A Havkin

Movant(s):

HSBC Bank USA National

Represented By
Theron S Covey
Sean C Ferry
David Coats
Sarah Arlene Dooley-Lewis

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Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

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2:24-17538 Henry Allen Pollard, Jr.

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#4.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

I.L.W.U. CREDIT UNION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 55

***** VACATED *** REASON: Resolved by stipulation (dkt. 63) and order thereon (dkt. 65).**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Henry Allen Pollard Jr.

Represented By
Matthew D. Resnik

Movant(s):

I.L.W.U. Credit Union

Represented By
Bruce P. Needleman

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-17967 Hiep Van Doan

Chapter 13

#5.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

GSR MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-1F, MORTGAGE PASS
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 29

Tentative Ruling:

Appearances required. The tentative ruling is that there is no automatic stay (under 11 U.S.C. 362(c)(3)), and that additionally and alternatively sufficient grounds have been shown to grant relief under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) and (4). But the parties are directed to appear to address whether they will agree to this Court's issuance of an order that provides "*in rem*" relief as to any *future* case, but with the expectation that Debtor will use the tools available within bankruptcy to obtain expeditiously the highest and best price for the subject property, for the benefit of Movant, all other creditors, Debtor, and the non-debtor spouse.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Key documents reviewed (in addition to motion papers): Debtor's Opposition (dkt. 31, 32).

The automatic stay does not apply

Grant the motion under 11 U.S.C. 362(c)(3) and (j): there is no automatic stay because (a) Debtor's prior case (#2:24-bk-13408-NB) was dismissed (on 12/16/24) within one year before this case was filed (on 9/10/25) (note: Debtor asserts that this was his wife's case, but the filed documents and records of this Court reflect that it was a joint case), (b) that dismissal was not under 11 U.S.C. 707(b), and (c) no finding of good faith

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was timely sought and obtained. The automatic stay has terminated both as to Debtor *in personam* and as to property of Debtor. See *In re Reswick*, 446 B.R. 362 (9th Cir. BAP 2011); *In re Hernandez*, case no. 2:11-bk-53730-NB, docket #40 (Memorandum Decision).

In the alternative and in addition, the tentative ruling is to grant relief from the automatic stay as follows.

Note regarding mootness: As provided in the posted "Procedures of Judge Bason" (available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov), the tentative ruling is that a motion for relief from the automatic stay is not mooted even when the tentative ruling is that the stay no longer exists, for the following reasons:

- a. Multiple, alternative grounds for relief should all be reached.
When a motion seeks the same relief on multiple alternative grounds, all of those grounds usually should be ruled on because a tentative or final ruling on any one ground might be reversed or altered later on. For example, movants often seek a ruling that the automatic stay does not prevent them from pursuing their remedies both (i) because the stay does not apply (e.g., after dismissal of the bankruptcy case, per 11 U.S.C. §§ 349(b)(3), 362(c)) and alternatively (ii) because relief from the stay is appropriate (under 11 U.S.C. § 362(d)). If the first ground later turns out to be reversed or altered (e.g., if a dismissal is vacated), the movant would be prejudiced if this Court had refused to reach the movant's alternative argument that the stay should be lifted. See also, e.g., *In re Krueger*, 88 B.R. 238, 241-42 (9th Cir. BAP 1988) (notwithstanding dismissal, stay held to continue due to lack of proper notice re dismissal).
- b. Annulment, *in rem* relief, etc. Some matters always remain relevant, notwithstanding dismissal, closing of a case, or other grounds on which the stay might not currently exist. See *In re Aheong*, 276 B.R. 233 (9th Cir. BAP 2002).

For the foregoing reasons, the tentative ruling is that it is appropriate to address the following issues.

Analysis under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) and (d)(4)

The tentative ruling is that (i) the history of bankruptcy cases filed by

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Debtor and Debtor's spouse; (ii) the history of nonpayment (both pre- and postpetition); and (iii) the failure of Debtor immediately after filing this latest bankruptcy petition to file a motion for sale of the subject property, all provide *prima facie* evidence of both "cause" for relief from the automatic stay in this case (11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1)) and a "scheme" to "delay, hinder, or defraud" creditors that requires "*in rem*" relief as to future cases (11 U.S.C. 362(d)(4)), and that Debtor has not adequately rebutted that *prima facie* showing.

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) and (d)(4).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. See *In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

Relief notwithstanding future bankruptcy cases

Grant the following relief pursuant to 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(4) and the legal analysis in *In re Vazquez*, 580 B.R. 526 (Bankr. C.D. Cal. 2017), and/or *In re Choong* (case no. 2:14-bk-28378-NB, docket no. 31), as applicable:

If this order is duly recorded in compliance with applicable State laws governing notices of interests or liens in the property at issue, then no automatic stay shall apply to such property in any bankruptcy case purporting to affect such property and filed within two years after the date of entry of this order, unless otherwise ordered by the court presiding over that bankruptcy case.

For the avoidance of doubt, any acts by the movant to obtain exclusive possession of such property shall not be stayed, including any eviction actions, through and including any lockout or other enforcement by the Sheriff or other authorized legal authority.

Note: Per the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason (available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov) this Court's order will state that the Court "does not make" a finding that Debtor was involved in the "scheme" referenced in section 362(d)(4), unless there is sufficient evidence that Debtor was involved and Debtor is given clear notice that the movant seeks an express finding that Debtor was involved. The tentative ruling in this particular case is that there is sufficient evidence and notice.

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Grant the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a)
(4) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.).

Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have
any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so
the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Hiep Van Doan

Represented By
Onyinye N Anyama

Movant(s):

GSR Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-1F,

Represented By
Joseph C Delmotte

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-11372 Lillian Iraida Aguilar

Chapter 13

#6.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 47

Tentative Ruling:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
- (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant (see Trustee's response, dkt. 50).

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Lillian Iraida Aguilar

Represented By
David Lozano

Movant(s):

Planet Home Lending, LLC

Represented By
Jennifer C Wong

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

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2:24-19036 Mark Z May

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#7.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 61

Tentative Ruling:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
- (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant (see Debtor's response, dkt. 69; Trustee's response, dkt. 64).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Mark Z May

Represented By
Axel H Richter

Movant(s):

Federal Home Loan Mortgage

Represented By
Joseph C Delmotte

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-15661 Nicholas DeSean Hayden

Chapter 13

#8.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 28

Tentative Ruling:

Grant as set forth below.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

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

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

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. See *In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

Effective date of relief

Deny the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a)(4)

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(Fed. R. Bankr. P.) for lack of sufficient cause shown.

Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Nicholas DeSean Hayden

Represented By
Raymond Perez

Movant(s):

FREEDOM MORTGAGE

Represented By
Dane W Exnowski

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-10816 Pamela Scott

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#9.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 53

Tentative Ruling:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order

(see Debtor's response, dkt. 61).

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Pamela Scott

Represented By
Erika Luna

Movant(s):

FREEDOM MORTGAGE

Represented By
Fanny Zhang Wan

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-17717 Jose Humberto Benitez

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#10.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [PP]

WESTLAKE SERVICES, LLC dba WESTLAKE FINANCIAL SERVICES
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 10

Tentative Ruling:

Grant.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

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

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

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) and (d)(2).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. See *In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

Effective date of relief

Grant the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a)

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(4) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.).

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Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Jose Humberto Benitez

Represented By
Francis Guilardi

Movant(s):

Westlake Services, LLC dba

Represented By
Dane W Exnowski

Trustee(s):

Elissa Miller (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-16767 Zijian Zhang

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#11.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [PP]

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
vs
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Docket 11

Tentative Ruling:

Grant.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

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

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

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

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) and (d)(2).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. See *In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

Effective date of relief

Do not waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a)(4) (Fed. R.

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Bankr. P.) because no such relief was requested.

Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Zijian Zhang

Represented By
Neil R Hedtke

Movant(s):

U.S. Bank National Association

Represented By
Chad L Butler

Trustee(s):

John P Pringle (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-12691 David Courtland Sheffield and Billye Ann Sheffield

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#12.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [PP]

FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY, LLC
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Tentative Ruling:

Grant.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)) and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby incorporating it as this Court's actual ruling.

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

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

The automatic stay does not apply

This case has been dismissed, which terminates the automatic stay. See 11 U.S.C. 349(b)(3) & 362(c).

In the alternative and in addition, the tentative ruling is to grant relief from the automatic stay as follows.

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Note regarding mootness: As provided in the posted "Procedures of Judge Bason" (available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov), the tentative ruling is that a motion for relief from the automatic stay is not mooted even when the tentative ruling is that the stay no longer exists, for the following reasons:

a. Multiple, alternative grounds for relief should all be reached.

When a motion seeks the same relief on multiple alternative grounds, all of those grounds usually should be ruled on because a tentative or final ruling on any one ground might be reversed or altered later on. For example, movants often seek a ruling that the automatic stay does not prevent them from pursuing their remedies both (i) because the stay does not apply (e.g., after dismissal of the bankruptcy case, per 11 U.S.C. §§ 349(b)(3), 362(c)) and alternatively (ii) because relief from the stay is appropriate (under 11 U.S.C. § 362(d)). If the first ground later turns out to be reversed or altered (e.g., if a dismissal is vacated), the movant would be prejudiced if this Court had refused to reach the movant's alternative argument that the stay should be lifted. *See also, e.g., In re Krueger*, 88 B.R. 238, 241-42 (9th Cir. BAP 1988) (notwithstanding dismissal, stay held to continue due to lack of proper notice re dismissal).

b. Annulment, in rem relief, etc. Some matters always remain relevant, notwithstanding dismissal, closing of a case, or other grounds on which the stay might not currently exist. *See In re Aheong*, 276 B.R. 233 (9th Cir. BAP 2002).

For the foregoing reasons, the tentative ruling is that it is appropriate to address the following issues.

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. *See In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

Effective date of relief

Grant the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a)

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Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

David Courtland Sheffield

Represented By
Kevin T Simon

Joint Debtor(s):

Billye Ann Sheffield

Represented By
Kevin T Simon

Movant(s):

Ford Motor Credit Company LLC

Represented By
Jennifer C Wong

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-17538 Henry Allen Pollard, Jr.

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#13.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [PP]

I.L.W.U. CREDIT UNION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 56

***** VACATED *** REASON: Resolved by stipulation (dkt. 70) and order
thereon (dkt. 72)**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Henry Allen Pollard Jr.

Represented By
Matthew D. Resnik

Movant(s):

I.L.W.U. Credit Union

Represented By
Bruce P. Needleman

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-12764 Mario Navarro and Yomayra Navarro

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#14.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [PP]

TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORPORATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 37

***** VACATED *** REASON: APO**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Mario Navarro

Represented By
Jaime A Cuevas Jr.

Joint Debtor(s):

Yomayra Navarro

Represented By
Jaime A Cuevas Jr.

Movant(s):

Toyota Motor Credit Corporation

Represented By
Kirsten Martinez

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-16665 Michele Lynn Cuillerier

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#15.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [PP]

WESTLAKE SERVICES, LLC D/B/A WESTLAKE FINANCIAL SERVICES
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 21

Tentative Ruling:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order

(see Debtor's response, dkt. 27).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Michele Lynn Cuillerier

Represented By
Steven A Alpert

Movant(s):

Westlake Services, LLC d/b/a

Represented By
Dane W Exnowski

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-19161 Keri Ann Schroeder

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#16.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [UD]

SHIQUAN ZHOA
vs
DEBTOR

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Tentative Ruling:

Grant in part and deny in part as set forth below.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)) and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby incorporating it as this Court's actual ruling.

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

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

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

The automatic stay applies

Deny the request for an order confirming that no stay is in effect. Movant has not established an exception to the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(b) or (c) because, although the motion references 11 U.S.C. 362(b)(22) and (23), the elements of those sections have not been established (e.g., a prepetition judgment for possession).

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In the alternative and in addition, the tentative ruling is to grant relief from the automatic stay as follows.

Note regarding mootness: As provided in the posted "Procedures of Judge Bason" (available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov), the tentative ruling is that a motion for relief from the automatic stay is not mooted even when the tentative ruling is that the stay no longer exists, for the following reasons:

a. Multiple, alternative grounds for relief should all be reached.

When a motion seeks the same relief on multiple alternative grounds, all of those grounds usually should be ruled on because a tentative or final ruling on any one ground might be reversed or altered later on. For example, movants often seek a ruling that the automatic stay does not prevent them from pursuing their remedies both (i) because the stay does not apply (*e.g.*, after dismissal of the bankruptcy case, per 11 U.S.C. §§ 349(b)(3), 362(c)) and alternatively (ii) because relief from the stay is appropriate (under 11 U.S.C. § 362(d)). If the first ground later turns out to be reversed or altered (*e.g.*, if a dismissal is vacated), the movant would be prejudiced if this Court had refused to reach the movant's alternative argument that the stay should be lifted. *See also, e.g., In re Krueger*, 88 B.R. 238, 241-42 (9th Cir. BAP 1988) (notwithstanding dismissal, stay held to continue due to lack of proper notice re dismissal).

b. Annulment, *in rem* relief, etc. Some matters always remain relevant, notwithstanding dismissal, closing of a case, or other grounds on which the stay might not currently exist. *See In re Aheong*, 276 B.R. 233 (9th Cir. BAP 2002).

For the foregoing reasons, the tentative ruling is that it is appropriate to address the following issues.

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) and (d)(2).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. *See In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

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Relief notwithstanding *future* bankruptcy cases

Grant the following relief pursuant to the legal analysis in *In re Vazquez*, 580 B.R. 526 (Bankr. C.D. Cal. 2017), and/or *In re Choong* (case no. 2:14-bk-28378-NB, docket no. 31), as applicable:

If this order is duly recorded in compliance with applicable State laws governing notices of interests or liens in the property at issue, then no automatic stay shall apply to such property in any bankruptcy case purporting to affect such property and filed within two years after the date of entry of this order, unless otherwise ordered by the court presiding over that bankruptcy case.

For the avoidance of doubt, any acts by the movant to obtain exclusive possession of such property shall not be stayed, including any eviction actions, through and including any lockout or other enforcement by the Sheriff or other authorized legal authority.

Note: Per the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason (available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov) this Court's order will state that the Court "does not make" a finding that Debtor was involved in the "scheme" referenced in section 362(d)(4), unless there is sufficient evidence that Debtor was involved and Debtor is given clear notice that the movant seeks an express finding that Debtor was involved. The tentative ruling in this particular case is that there is sufficient evidence and notice.

Effective date of relief

Grant the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a) (4) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.).

Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Keri Ann Schroeder

Pro Se

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Movant(s):

Shiquan Zhou

Represented By
Bruce R Menke

Trustee(s):

Brad D Krasnoff (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-19299 Jose Alfredo Ruiz

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#17.00 Hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [UD]

MEIYU CHEN
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 16

Tentative Ruling:

Grant in part and continue to 12/16/25 at 10:00 a.m. as set forth below.
Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

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

The automatic stay does not apply

The movant obtained a prepetition eviction judgment and writ of possession. See R/S Motion (dkt. 16) Ex. 5, at PDF pp. 33-35, *and see In re Perl*, 811 F.3d 1120, 1127-28 (9th Cir. 2016) ("We conclude that under California law, entry of judgment and a writ of possession following unlawful detainer proceedings extinguishes all other legal and equitable possessory interests in the real property at issue.").

In addition, by the time of this hearing Debtor's bankruptcy case might be dismissed because, as of the preparation of this tentative ruling, Debtor has just filed a request for voluntary dismissal of this case (dkt. 21). Dismissal terminates the automatic stay. See 11 U.S.C. 349(b)(3) & 362(c).

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In the alternative and in addition, the tentative ruling is to grant relief from the automatic stay as follows.

Note regarding mootness: As provided in the posted "Procedures of Judge Bason" (available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov), the tentative ruling is that a motion for relief from the automatic stay is not mooted even when the tentative ruling is that the stay no longer exists, for the following reasons:

a. Multiple, alternative grounds for relief should all be reached.

When a motion seeks the same relief on multiple alternative grounds, all of those grounds usually should be ruled on because a tentative or final ruling on any one ground might be reversed or altered later on. For example, movants often seek a ruling that the automatic stay does not prevent them from pursuing their remedies both (i) because the stay does not apply (e.g., after dismissal of the bankruptcy case, per 11 U.S.C. §§ 349(b)(3), 362(c)) and alternatively (ii) because relief from the stay is appropriate (under 11 U.S.C. § 362(d)). If the first ground later turns out to be reversed or altered (e.g., if a dismissal is vacated), the movant would be prejudiced if this Court had refused to reach the movant's alternative argument that the stay should be lifted. *See also, e.g., In re Krueger*, 88 B.R. 238, 241-42 (9th Cir. BAP 1988) (notwithstanding dismissal, stay held to continue due to lack of proper notice re dismissal).

b. Annulment, *in rem* relief, etc. Some matters always remain relevant, notwithstanding dismissal, closing of a case, or other grounds on which the stay might not currently exist. *See In re Aheong*, 276 B.R. 233 (9th Cir. BAP 2002).

For the foregoing reasons, the tentative ruling is that it is appropriate to address the following issues.

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1) and (d)(2).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. *See In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

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Relief notwithstanding *future* bankruptcy cases

As to the requested relief that will remain effective notwithstanding any future bankruptcy case, continue the motion to the date and time set forth at the start of this tentative ruling, for

- (i) service on the persons who executed the documents through which the movant asserts its interest in the property (sometimes referred to in the mortgage context as the "original borrower") (see R/S Motion (dkt. 16), Ex. 1 at PDF pp. 11-16 (TDUS) (this Court will *sua sponte* deny such "*in rem*" relief without such service) and
- (ii) optional service on the additional persons named in the unlawful detainer judgment and writ of possession who purported to have a ownership and/or possessory interest in the subject property (on the present record this Court cannot conclude that there would be any due process concerns about not serving such persons, who appear to be strangers to the documents through which Movant claims their interest in the subject property, and therefore this Court will not, *sua sponte*, deny *in rem* relief if these additional persons are not served; but Movant may wish to serve as many people as possible to avoid potential future challenges to any order this Court may issue).

Reasons: See LBR 4001-1(c)(1)(B). In addition, Judge Bason has due process concerns about granting *in rem* relief without service on the person(s) whose interests may be most directly affected. See *generally Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co.*, 339 U.S. 306 (1950) (due process generally).

In this matter, the persons described above appear to include: (i) Raquel Ruiz, and (ii) Antonio Benavides and Maria Gracia Ruiz.

Option for shortened time: This Court has selected a continued hearing date that contemplates shortened notice (per Rule 9006) but that date is conditioned on the movant (i) serving, on the day after the current hearing date, the motion papers and notice of the continued hearing date, and (ii) filing that notice and a proof of service no later than the next day. Alternatively, the movant may self-calendar a continued hearing on *regular* notice.

Option for interim/partial order: Movant may elect to lodge a proposed order granting the *partial* relief provided in this tentative

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ruling, but any such order must recite that a continued hearing has been set to consider additional relief (or, alternatively, that the movant no longer seeks additional relief and the Clerk's office is requested and directed to take the continued hearing off calendar).

Effective date of relief

Grant the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by Rule 4001(a) (4) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.).

Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Jose Alfredo Ruiz

Pro Se

Movant(s):

CHEN, MEIYU

Represented By
Larry Rothman

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-19934 Gabriel Anthony Bear Bustillos

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

Docket 8

Tentative Ruling:

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

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

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

After the hearing date this Court will prepare an order and the tentative ruling is to include the following language in that order:

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

(1) Service and reconsideration. 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.

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(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 to 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. *See generally In re Rodriguez*, case no. 2:25-bk-16676-NB, docket #25.

(3) Very limited ruling. 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 other context.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Gabriel Anthony Bear Bustillos

Represented By
Michael E Clark

Movant(s):

Gabriel Anthony Bear Bustillos

Represented By
Michael E Clark
Michael E Clark
Michael E Clark
Michael E Clark
Michael E Clark

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-20180 Gregory Langadinos

Chapter 13

#19.00 Hrg: Order Temporarily Granting in part, Denying in part Order Re: setting expedited hearing on automatic stay, unlawful detainer matter, and whether this bankruptcy case has been filed in good faith

Docket 9

Tentative Ruling:

Dismiss this bankruptcy case, with a 180-day bar against being a debtor in any future bankruptcy case, because it appears to have been filed solely to delay an unlawful detainer action filed by Landlord (as defined in the order setting this hearing, dkt. 9, p. 2:8) and because, as of the preparation of this tentative ruling, Debtor has not filed a proposed chapter 13 plan (which was due 11/28/25) (see dkt. 1) or bankruptcy Schedules (same), nor has Debtor shown how he can make any legitimate use of the bankruptcy system. See 11 U.S.C. 109(g)(1) & Order (dkt. 9 pp. 1:22-3:13). Appearances required.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

Key documents reviewed (in addition to motion papers): Debtor's motion for a continuance (dkt. 13-15) and order denying same (dkt. 16).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Gregory Langadinos

Pro Se

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-14496 Chris H Moon and Myung S Park

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#20.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 8/5/25

NEWREZ, LLC
vs
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Docket 21

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 8/5/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Tentative Ruling for 8/5/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address their position with respect to the responses of Debtors (dkt. 27) and the Chapter 7 Trustee (dkt. 28).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

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Chapter 7

Debtor(s):

Chris H Moon

Represented By
Young K Chang

Joint Debtor(s):

Myung S Park

Represented By
Young K Chang

Movant(s):

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint

Represented By
Shannon A Doyle

Trustee(s):

Wesley H Avery (TR)

Represented By
Joseph E Caceres

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2:23-16770 Alfredo Neri Villegas

Chapter 13

#21.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 8/5/25, 10/7/25

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 60

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 10/7/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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Tentative Ruling for 10/7/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 8/5/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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CONT... Alfredo Neri Villegas

Chapter 13

Tentative Ruling for 8/5/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address their position with respect to (x) Debtor's response (dkt. 66), and (y) the motion of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to modify Debtor's confirmed plan to make Trustee the disbursing agent with respect to all payments pertaining to the mortgage obligation on Debtor's primary residence (see Trustee's response (dkt. 62) and Trustee's motion to modify plan (dkt. 63)).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Alfredo Neri Villegas

Represented By
Jaime A Cuevas Jr.

Movant(s):

Wilmington Savings Fund Society,

Represented By
Theron S Covey
Kelli M Brown
Sarah Arlene Dooley-Lewis

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-20574 Alita P Bautista

Chapter 13

#22.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 10/21/25

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 45

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 10/21/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. This Court is aware of the stipulation between Debtor and Trustee, but not Movant, to cure the postpetition mortgage payment delinquency through a modified plan (dkt. 52) (approved dkt. 54). Although this Court expects that the stipulation might provide sufficient adequate protection to Movant and thereby moot this motion, Movant has not filed any voluntary dismissal/withdrawal of the motion, nor does the docket reflect Movant's consent to the stipulation, as of the preparation of this tentative ruling.

There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Tentative Ruling for 10/21/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

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Alita P Bautista

Chapter 13

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
- (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant (see Trustee's response (dkt. 47) and Debtor's response (dkt. 51)).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Alita P Bautista

Represented By
Axel H Richter

Movant(s):

U.S. Bank National Association

Represented By
David Coats
Sarah Arlene Dooley-Lewis

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:23-16782 Cesar Augusto Archila and Blanca E. Archila

Chapter 13

#23.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 10/21/25

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
VS
DEBTOR

Docket 53

***** VACATED *** REASON: APO**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Cesar Augusto Archila

Represented By
D Justin Harelik

Joint Debtor(s):

Blanca E. Archila

Represented By
D Justin Harelik

Movant(s):

The Bank Of New York Mellon Fka

Represented By
Kirsten Martinez
Mukta Suri
Jennifer C Wong

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:23-16782 Cesar Augusto Archila and Blanca E. Archila

Chapter 13

#24.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 11/4/25

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 55

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 11/4/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today and directed Debtor to give notice to Movant by 11/6/25. As of the preparation of this tentative ruling, Debtor has not complied. Why not?

There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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Tentative Ruling for 11/4/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
- (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant (see Trustee's response (dkt. 58) and Debtor's response (dkt. 60)).

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CONT... Cesar Augusto Archila and Blanca E. Archila Chapter 13

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Cesar Augusto Archila

Represented By
D Justin Harelik

Joint Debtor(s):

Blanca E. Archila

Represented By
D Justin Harelik

Movant(s):

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

Represented By
Christina J Khil

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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10:00 AM

2:25-14657 Christian Rene Carranza

Chapter 13

#25.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 10/21/25

TH MSR HOLDINGS LLC
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 22

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 10/21/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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Tentative Ruling for 10/21/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
- (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant (see Trustee's response (dkt. 26) and Debtor's response (dkt. 36)).

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ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the
posted tentative rulings.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Christian Rene Carranza

Represented By
H. Jasmine Papian

Movant(s):

TH MSR Holdings LLC

Represented By
Daniel I Singer

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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10:00 AM

2:21-16840 Edward Roland Hayes, Jr

Chapter 13

#26.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 1/7/25, 2/25/25, 4/8/25, 5/20/25, 7/8/25,
08/19/25, 10/07/25

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY
VS
DEBTOR

Docket 114

***** VACATED *** REASON: Cont'd to 1/20/2026 at 10:00 a.m.**

Tentative Ruling:

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Edward Roland Hayes Jr

Represented By
Stella A Havkin

Movant(s):

Deutsche Bank National Trust

Represented By
Chad L Butler
Theron S Covey
Sean C Ferry

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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10:00 AM

2:24-18114 Genesis Maritza Junkermeier

Chapter 13

#27.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 8/5/25, 10/7/25, 11/4/25

SERVBANK, SB
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 35

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 11/4/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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Tentative Ruling for 11/4/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 10/7/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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CONT... Genesis Maritza Junkermeier

Chapter 13

Tentative Ruling for 10/7/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 8/5/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Tentative Ruling for 8/5/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address their position with respect to (x) Debtor's response (dkt. 43) and (y) the motion of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to modify Debtor's confirmed plan to make Trustee the disbursing agent with respect to all payments pertaining to the mortgage obligation on Debtor's primary residence (see Trustee's response (dkt. 38) and Trustee's motion to modify plan (dkt. 37)).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Genesis Maritza Junkermeier

Represented By
Onyinye N Anyama

Movant(s):

Servbank, SB

Represented By
Paul W Cervenka

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CONT... Genesis Maritza Junkermeier

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Kirsten Martinez

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-18309 Gregory Deon Randolph

Chapter 13

#28.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 6/17/25, 8/5/25, 10/7/25

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 37

***** VACATED *** REASON: Resolved by stipulation (dkt. 53) and order
thereon (dkt. 57)**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Gregory Deon Randolph

Represented By
Barry E Borowitz

Movant(s):

Wilmington Savings Fund Society,

Represented By
Kelli M Brown
Sean C Ferry
Sarah Arlene Dooley-Lewis

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-15688 Jacqueline Nacole Merriman

Chapter 13

#29.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 8/5/25, 10/7/25

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOC
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 56

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 10/7/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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Tentative Ruling for 10/7/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 8/5/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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Chapter 13

Tentative Ruling for 8/5/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address their position with respect to the motion of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to modify Debtor's confirmed plan to make Trustee the disbursing agent with respect to all payments pertaining to the mortgage obligation on Debtor's primary residence (see Trustee's response (dkt. 59) and Trustee's motion to modify plan (dkt. 58)).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Jacqueline Nacole Merriman

Represented By
Devin Sawdayi

Movant(s):

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL

Represented By
David Coats
Sean C Ferry
Sarah Arlene Dooley-Lewis

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-14102 Lorne G Grant

Chapter 13

#30.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 10/7/25

SELENE FINANCE, L.P.
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 40

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 10/7/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

Tentative Ruling for 10/7/25:

Appearances required. There is no tentative ruling, but the parties should be prepared to address:

- (a) whether the alleged arrears have been brought current
- (b) whether they will agree to the terms of an adequate protection order
- (c) the request of the Chapter 13 Trustee ("Trustee") to make Trustee the disbursing agent for payments to Movant (see Trustee's response, dkt. 43, and Debtor's response, dkt. 46).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Lorne G Grant

Represented By
Thomas B Ure

Movant(s):

U.S. Bank Trust National

Represented By
Sarah Arlene Dooley-Lewis
Sean C Ferry

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-17946 Rosa Cristina Mendoza

Chapter 13

#31.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 9/9/25, 10/21/25

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 39

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 10/21/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today and set a deadline of 10/23/25 for Movant to give notice to Debtor. As of the preparation of this tentative ruling, no proof of service is on file. Why not?

There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

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Tentative Ruling for 10/21/25:

Appearances required.

At the hearing on 9/9/25 this Court was persuaded to continue this matter to today. There is no tentative ruling but the parties should be prepared to address the current status of this matter, and whether this Court should set any briefing schedules, any hearings, or any other procedures.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for

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CONT... Rosa Cristina Mendoza

Chapter 13

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Tentative Ruling for 9/9/25:

Grant as set forth below.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

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

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

Termination

Terminate the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(d)(1).

To the extent, if any, that the motion seeks to terminate the automatic stay in *other* past or pending bankruptcy cases, such relief is denied on the present record. See *In re Ervin* (Case No. 14-bk-18204-NB, docket no. 311).

Effective date of relief

Deny the request to waive the 14-day stay provided by FRBP 4001(a) (3) for lack of sufficient cause shown.

Co-debtor stay

Any co-debtor stay (11 U.S.C. 1301(c)) has not been shown to have any basis for any different treatment from the stay under 11 U.S.C. 362(a), so the tentative ruling is to grant the identical relief regarding any co-debtor stay.

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CONT... Rosa Cristina Mendoza

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Rosa Cristina Mendoza

Represented By
Tyson Takeuchi

Movant(s):

U.S. Bank National Association

Represented By
Sean C Ferry
Dane W Exnowski
Sarah Arlene Dooley-Lewis

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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10:00 AM

2:24-20515 Sylvia Baptista

Chapter 13

#32.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 8/5/25, 9/23/25, 10/7/25

NEWREZ, LLC
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 51

***** VACATED *** REASON: APO**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Sylvia Baptista

Represented By
Onyinye N Anyama

Movant(s):

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint

Represented By
Jacqueline D Serrao

Trustee(s):

Kathy A Dockery (TR)

Pro Se

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11:00 AM

2:24-20067 Arnold Arias and Violet Arias

Chapter 7

#1.00 Hrg re: Trustee's final report and account:
Application for fees and expenses
[David M. Goodrich, Chapter 7 Trustee]

Docket 25

Tentative Ruling:

Approve the Trustee's final report and allow \$1,308.40 in fees and \$23.73 in expenses, for a total award of \$1,332.13, and authorize and direct payment of the full amounts allowed. Appearances are not required. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Applicant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

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

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Arnold Arias

Represented By
Raj T Wadhvani

Joint Debtor(s):

Violet Arias

Represented By
Raj T Wadhvani

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Trustee(s):

David M Goodrich (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-14287 William Timothy Martinez and Jessica Michelle Martinez

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#2.00 Hrg re: Trustee's final report and account:
Application for fees and expenses
[David M. Goodrich, Chapter 7 Trustee]

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Tentative Ruling:

Approve the Trustee's final report and allow \$2,802.08 in fees and \$438.00 in expenses, for a total award of \$3,240.08, and authorize and direct payment of the full amounts allowed. Appearances are not required. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Applicant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

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

Party Information

Debtor(s):

William Timothy Martinez

Represented By
Julie J Villalobos

Joint Debtor(s):

Jessica Michelle Martinez

Represented By
Julie J Villalobos

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Trustee(s):

David M Goodrich (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-14287 William Timothy Martinez and Jessica Michelle Martinez

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#3.00 Hrg re: First & Final Fee Application
[Hahn Fife & Company, LLP, Accountant]

Docket 87

Tentative Ruling:

Allow \$2,597.00 in fees and \$413.60 in expenses, on a final basis, for a total award of \$3,010.60, and authorize and direct payment of the full amounts allowed.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Applicant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

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

Party Information

Debtor(s):

William Timothy Martinez

Represented By
Julie J Villalobos

Joint Debtor(s):

Jessica Michelle Martinez

Represented By
Julie J Villalobos

Movant(s):

Hahn Fife & Company, LLP

Pro Se

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Trustee(s):

David M Goodrich (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-14898 Rolan Seymour Feld Bolan

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#4.00 Hrg re: Objection to Claim #4

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Tentative Ruling:

Deny without prejudice.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Claimant is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)) and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby incorporating it as this Court's actual ruling.

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

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Key documents reviewed (in addition to motion papers): Proof of Claim 4-1 ("POC 4-1"); Opposition of David A. Erikson dba Erikson Law Group ("Claimant") (dkt. 74).

Analysis:

Debtor's counsel of record, Cynthia Enciso, Esq., is not on this Court's automatic "notice of electronic filing" system ("NEF"), and perhaps for that reason the proof of service of Claimant's response does not show service on her. The tentative ruling is that this makes no difference because (a) any diligent counsel should be checking the docket for any response anyway, especially if they are not on NEF, and (b) the claim objection was calendared by Ms. Enciso and therefore she should be checking this tentative ruling, which will alert her to Claimant's response even if she was not previously

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aware of it.

Turning to the merits, the tentative ruling is to deny the claim objection for several alternative grounds.

(a) Debtor lacks standing

First, neither party has addressed whether Debtor has standing to object to Claim 4, but the tentative ruling is that standing is a jurisdictional issue that this Court can and must raise *sua sponte*. *In re Menk*, 241 B.R. 896, 903 (9th Cir. BAP 1999).

A chapter 7 debtor lacks standing to object to proofs of claim unless the debtor demonstrates (x) that there is a sufficient possibility of a surplus to give the debtor a pecuniary interest, or (y) that the claim involved will not be discharged. *See In re Shoemaker*, 2020 Bankr. LEXIS 3280, at *14 (9th Cir. BAP Nov. 20, 2020). Debtor has failed to demonstrate that either circumstance is present in this case to give him a pecuniary interest in the matter, so the tentative ruling is that he lacks standing to object to Claim 4.

(b) Failure to comply with applicable Local Bankruptcy Rules ("LBRs")

Additionally and alternatively, the tentative ruling is to deny the claim objection based on Debtor's failure to (x) file a motion that sets forth applicable legal standard(s) with citation to supporting case law; and (y) comply with LBR 3007-1(c)(2) (requiring a copy of the proof of claim to be attached to the objection).

(c) Deny the claim objection on the merits

Additionally and alternatively, the tentative ruling is to deny the claim objection on the merits because, even if this Court were to find that Debtor's vague declaration stating that his books and records do not match the dollar amount asserted by Claimant and that he "dispute[s] owing [Claimant] the amount listed on his proof of claim" (dkt. 70, p. 4) were sufficient to rebut the prima facie validity of the claim (the tentative ruling is that it is not), Claimant has responded with evidence establishing the validity of its claim by a preponderance of the evidence.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Rolan Seymour Feld Bolan

Represented By

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Cynthia Enciso

Trustee(s):

John J Menchaca (TR)

Represented By

John N Tedford IV

Levene Neale Bender Yoo & Golubchik LLP

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1:12-10986 Allana Baroni

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Adv#: 2:25-01326 Baroni et al v. Seror et al

#5.00 Hrg re: Motion Pursuant To FRBP 9024, FRCP 60(b)(6), and 28 U.S.C. § 455 [FRBP 5004] For Relief From The February 10, 2023 Order On David Serors Motion For A Protective Order And For Monetary Sanctions [Main Case Doc. 1751]; and Relief From The October 23, 2025, Order Granting Defendants Motion For Monetary Sanctions [Adv. Proc. Doc. 223]; Request For Reassignment; And For A Stay Of Enforcement Pending Disposition Of This Motion Pursuant To Fed. R. Civ. P. 62(b), Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7062 and 9014(c)

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***** VACATED *** REASON: Denied. See adv. dkt. 287.**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Allana Baroni

Represented By
Michael S Riley
Richard L Antognini
Matthew D. Resnik
M. Jonathan Hayes
Kathleen P March

Defendant(s):

David Seror

Represented By
Jason B Komorsky
Jessica L Bagdanov

Brutzkus Gubner

Represented By
Jason B Komorsky
Jessica L Bagdanov

BG LAW LLP

Represented By
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Jessica L Bagdanov

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LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE

Represented By
Jason B Komorsky
Jessica L Bagdanov

WELLS FARGO BANK N.A

Represented By
Justin D Balser

United States Fire Insurance

Represented By
Jason B Komorsky
Jessica L Bagdanov

Severson & Werson, PC

Represented By
Adam N Barasch

Movant(s):

Allana Baroni

Represented By
Richard L Antognini
Anthony R Mordente

Plaintiff(s):

Allana Baroni

Represented By
Richard L Antognini
Anthony R Mordente

James Baroni

Represented By
Richard L Antognini

Trustee(s):

David Seror (TR)

Represented By
Susan K Sefflin
Jessica L Bagdanov
Ryan Coy
Jason B Komorsky
Steven T Gubner

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2:24-17786 Marisela Montejo

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Adv#: 2:25-01362 Leslie, Chapter 7 Trustee v. Montejo, Jr.

#6.00 Status Conference re: Trustee's complaint for: (1) Declaratory Relief;
(2) Authority for Sell Entirety of Real Property Under 11 U.S.C. Section
363(h) and (3) Turnover

Docket 1

Tentative Ruling:

Continue as set forth below in view of this Court's review of the parties' latest joint status report (adv. dkt. 12). Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed the parties joint status report (adv. dkt. 12) and the other documents and records filed in this adversary proceeding and has no issues to address *sua sponte* at this time.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

The tentative ruling is that there are no outstanding matters of (a) venue, (b) jurisdiction, (c) this Bankruptcy Court's authority to enter final orders or judgment(s) in this proceeding and, if consent is required, the

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parties have already expressly or impliedly consented. *See generally Stern v. Marshall*, 131 S.Ct. 2594, 2608 (2011) (if litigant "believed that the Bankruptcy Court lacked the authority to decide his claim...then he should have said so – and said so promptly."); *Wellness Int'l Network, Ltd. v. Sharif*, 135 S.Ct. 1932 (2015) (consent must be knowing and voluntary but need not be express); *In re Bellingham Ins. Agency, Inc.*, 702 F.3d 553 (9th Cir. 2012) (implied consent), *aff'd on other grounds*, 134 S. Ct. 2165 (2014); *In re Pringle*, 495 B.R. 447 (9th Cir. BAP 2013) (rebuttable presumption that failure to challenge authority to issue final order is intentional and indicates consent); *In re Deitz*, 760 F.3d 1038 (9th Cir. 2014) (authority to adjudicate nondischargeability encompasses authority to liquidate debt and enter final judgment). *See generally In re AWTR Liquidation, Inc.*, 548 B.R. 300 (Bankr. C.D. Cal. 2016).

(b) Mediation

The tentative ruling is to order the parties to mediation before one of the volunteer mediators (*not* a Bankruptcy Judge), and meanwhile set the deadlines set forth below. The tentative ruling is to set a **deadline of 12/16/25** for the parties to lodge a proposed mediation order (the parties are directed to use the time between now and that deadline to find a mutually agreeable mediator whose schedule can accommodate the needs of this matter; and if the parties cannot even agree on a mediator they may lodge separate orders and Judge Bason will choose among them, or issue his own order).

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 9/25/25.

Pursuant to LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B), plaintiff is directed to lodge a proposed order via LOU within 7 days after the status conference, attaching a copy of this tentative ruling or otherwise memorializing the following.

Joinder of parties/amendment of pleadings-deadline: 2/17/26

Discovery cutoff (for completion of discovery): 3/3/26

Expert(s) - deadline for reports: 3/17/26 if any expert testimony will be presented.

Expert(s) - discovery cutoff (if different from above): 3/31/26 if any expert testimony will be presented.

Dispositive motions to be heard no later than: 5/12/26

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Joint Status Report: 3/10/26

Continued status conference: 3/24/26 at 11:00 a.m.

Lodge Joint Proposed Pretrial Order: TBD

Pretrial conference: TBD

Deliver trial exhibits to other parties and chambers, including direct testimony by declaration unless excused: TBD

Trial commencement: TBD

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Marisela Montejo

Represented By
Eric Bensamochan

Defendant(s):

Ricardo M. Montejo Jr.

Represented By
Leonard Pena

Plaintiff(s):

Sam S. Leslie, Chapter 7 Trustee

Represented By
Eric P Israel

Trustee(s):

Sam S Leslie (TR)

Represented By
Eric P Israel
John N Tedford IV

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2:25-13048 RD William Whittington

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Adv#: 2:25-01319 Porsche Financial Services, Inc. dba Lamborghini F v. Whittington

#7.00 Cont'd status conference re: Complaint to determine non-dischargeability of debt pursuant to 11 usc 523(a)(2)(A), (a)(2)(B), and (a)(6) fr. 9/23/25, 10/21/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue as set forth below in view of this Court's review of the parties' latest joint status report (adv. dkt. 15). Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed the parties' joint status report (adv. dkt. 15) and the other documents and records filed in this adversary proceeding and has no issues to raise *sua sponte* at this time.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

Matters of venue, jurisdiction, and authority have been determined and/or waived or forfeited (adv. dkt. 11, p. 4, para. f).

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(b) Mediation

This Court has ordered the parties to mediate this dispute. Adv. dkt. 12, p. 2.

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 7/21/25. The scheduled deadlines and/or hearing/trial date(s) have been memorialized in this Court's written order (adv. dkt. 12), except as modified/supplemented below.

Joint Status Report: 1/27/26

Continued status conference: 2/10/26 at 11:00 a.m.

Tentative Ruling for 10/21/25:

Set deadlines and continue this status conference as set forth below. Appearances are not required on 10/21/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed the parties' joint status report (adv. dkt. 11) and the other filed documents and records in this adversary proceeding.

(a) Discovery

Defendant/Debtor asserts that he will not be ready for trial until July of 2026 due to "[v]olume of discovery" (Stat. Rpt., adv. dkt. 11, p. 2, parts B.1 & B.2), but the only discovery listed by either party is a deposition of Defendant/Debtor (*id.* part B.3 & B.4). The tentative ruling is that Defendant/Debtor has not shown adequate reasons for the proposed delay in completing discovery, and accordingly the deadlines set forth below (in part "(2)(c)" of this tentative ruling) are closer to the dates proposed by

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Plaintiff/Creditor than those proposed by Defendant/Debtor.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

The tentative ruling is that in this nondischargeability matter there are no outstanding matters of (a) venue, (b) jurisdiction, or (c) this Bankruptcy Court's authority to enter final orders or judgment(s) in this proceeding. See *generally Stern v. Marshall*, 131 S.Ct. 2594 (2011); *Wellness Int'l Network, Ltd. v. Sharif*, 135 S.Ct. 1932 (2015); *In re Deitz*, 760 F.3d 1038 (9th Cir. 2014) (authority to adjudicate nondischargeability encompasses authority to liquidate debt and enter final judgment). See *generally In re AWTR Liquidation, Inc.*, 548 B.R. 300 (Bankr. C.D. Cal. 2016).

(b) Mediation

The tentative ruling is to order the parties to mediation before one of the volunteer mediators (*not* a Bankruptcy Judge), and set a **deadline of 11/4/25** for the parties to lodge a proposed mediation order (the parties are directed to use the time between now and that deadline to find a mutually agreeable mediator whose schedule can accommodate the needs of this matter; and if the parties cannot even agree on a mediator they may lodge separate orders and Judge Bason will choose among them, or issue his own order).

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 7/21/25. The tentative ruling is to set the following deadlines, to run concurrent with and regardless of any attempted mediation.

Pursuant to LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B), plaintiff is directed to lodge a proposed order via LOU within 7 days after the status conference, attaching a copy of this tentative ruling or otherwise memorializing the following.

Joinder of parties/amendment of pleadings-deadline: 1/28/26.

Discovery cutoff (for *completion* of discovery): 2/11/26.

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Expert(s) - deadline for reports: 2/25/26, if any expert testimony will be presented.

Expert(s) - discovery cutoff: 3/11/26, if any expert testimony will be presented.

Dispositive motions to be heard no later than: 5/12/25

Joint Status Report: 11/18/25.

Continued status conference: 12/2/25 at 11:00 a.m.

Lodge Joint Proposed Pretrial Order: TBD

Pretrial conference: TBD

Deliver trial exhibits to other parties and chambers, including direct testimony by declaration unless excused: TBD (for the format of exhibits and other trial procedures, please see the Procedures of Judge Bason (posted at www.cacb.uscourts.gov) then search for "Trial Practice" BUT, at least during the COVID-19 shut down of the courtroom, also see the forms of order regarding video trials, posted on Judge Bason's portion of the Court's above-referenced web page)

Trial commencement: TBD at 9:00 a.m.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

RD William Whittington

Represented By
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

RD William Whittington

Represented By
Matthew D. Resnik

Plaintiff(s):

Porsche Financial Services, Inc. dba

Represented By
Stacey A Miller

Porsche Leasing Ltd.

Represented By
Stacey A Miller

Trustee(s):

John P Pringle (TR)

Pro Se

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2:23-13187 Vista Studios, LLC

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Adv#: 2:25-01188 Gonzalez v. Gaming 247 et al

#8.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Complaint (1) To Avoid Fraudulent Transfer Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. Sections 544 and 548; (2) To Recover Avoided Transfers Pursuant to 11 U.S.C Section 550; (3) Automatic Preservation of Avoided Transfer Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. Section 551; and (4) Unjust Enrichment Restitution
fr. 07/15/25, 9/23/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:
Appearances required.

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(1) Current issues

(a) Missed deadlines

At the prior status conference, this Court set deadlines of (A) 11/14/25 for Plaintiff/Trustee to file and serve a motion for default judgment against remaining defendant Gaming 247 and (B) 11/18/25 for Plaintiff/Trustee to file a status report. As of the preparation of this tentative ruling, Plaintiff/Trustee has not met either deadline.

Plaintiff/Trustee previously reported to this Court that he was not sure whether Gaming 247 was still operating. Settlement Motion (bankr. dkt. 87) p. 8:23–25. Plaintiff/Trustee is directed to appear to provide an update on the status of his claims against Gaming 247. He is further cautioned that in future, failure to meet deadlines imposed by this Court may result in adverse consequences.

(2) Standard requirements

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The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority
[Intentionally omitted.]

(b) Mediation
[Intentionally omitted.]

(c) Deadlines
This adversary proceeding has been pending since 4/30/25. On 10/14/25, Plaintiff/Trustee voluntarily dismissed defendant Devlin Design (adv. dkt. 13) pursuant to a settlement previously approved by this Court (see bankr. dkt. 91).

Pending an update from Plaintiff/Trustee on the status of this litigation, the tentative ruling is to decline to set any litigation deadlines aside from a continued status conference (see below).

Status Report: 1/6/26

Continued status conference: 1/20/26 at 11:00 a.m.

Tentative Ruling for 9/23/25:

Extend Plaintiff/Trustee's deadline to file a motion for default judgment against remaining defendant Gaming 247, Inc., and continue the status conference, all as set forth below. Appearances are not required on 9/23/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

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(a) Settlement Agreement

At the 7/15/25 status conference, this Court set a deadline of 8/15/25 for Plaintiff/Trustee to file and serve motions for default judgment against Defendants Gaming 247, Inc. ("Gaming 247") and Devlin Design Group, Inc. ("Devlin Design"). However, on 8/15/25, Plaintiff/Trustee filed a motion to approve a settlement with Devlin Design (bankr. dkt. 87, the "Settlement Motion"). An order approving the settlement with Devlin Design was entered on 9/11/25. See bankr. dkt. 91. Plaintiff/Trustee is "still proceeding against Gaming 247, but is not sure whether that entity is still in operations." Settlement Motion (bankr. dkt. 87) p. 8:23–25.

Plaintiff/Trustee requests an extension of the deadline to file a motion for default judgment against Gaming 247. Status Report (adv. dkt. 12) p. 3:17–19. The tentative ruling is to grant that request, and extend to **11/4/25 the deadline** for Plaintiff/Trustee to file and serve a motion for default judgment against Gaming 247, without prejudice to Plaintiff/Trustee's ability to seek a further extension if appropriate.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

[Intentionally omitted.]

(b) Mediation

[Intentionally omitted.]

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 4/30/25. In view of the settlement with Devlin Design and the entry of default against Gaming 247, the tentative ruling is to decline to set any litigation deadlines other than the continued deadline for Plaintiff/Trustee to file a motion for default judgment (see part "(1)(a)," above) and a continued status conference (see below).

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Continued status conference: 12/2/25 at 11:00 a.m.

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Vista Studios, LLC

Represented By
David B Golubchik

Defendant(s):

Gaming 247

Pro Se

Devlin Design Group, Inc.

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Rosendo Gonzalez

Represented By
Rosendo Gonzalez

Trustee(s):

Rosendo Gonzalez (TR)

Represented By
Rosendo Gonzalez

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2:21-19430 Hamid Redjal

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Adv#: 2:23-01493 Dye v. Redjal et al

#9.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Trustee's Complaint
for Declaratory Judgment
fr. 2/20/24, 5/21/24, 9/10/24, 3/18/25, 03/18/25,
6/17/25, 9/23/25

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the order (dkt. 26)**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Hamid Redjal

Represented By
Omero Banuelos

Defendant(s):

Nasser Redjal

Represented By
Omero Banuelos

Ivy Gonzales Redjal

Represented By
Omero Banuelos

Plaintiff(s):

Carolyn Dye

Represented By
Leonard Pena

Trustee(s):

Carolyn A Dye (TR)

Represented By
Leonard Pena

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01490 Dye v. Redjal

#10.00 Cont'd status conference re: Trustee's complaint for 1. Avoidance of actual fraudulent transfer under applicable California Law (Cal. Civ. Code sections 3439.04(a)(1) and 3439.07 and 11 U.S.C. section 544(b)); 2. Avoidance of constructive fraudulent transfer under applicable California Law (Cal. Civ. Code sections 3439.05 and 3439.07 and 11 U.S.C section 544(b)); 3. Recovery of avoided transfer (11 U.S.C. section 550(a)); and 4. Preservation of avoided transfer (11 U.S.C. section 551) fr. 2/20/24, 5/21/24, 9/10/24, 12/17/24, 3/18/25, 6/17/25, 9/23/25

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***** VACATED *** REASON: Cont'd to 3/10/2026 at 11:00am**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Hamid Redjal

Represented By
Omero Banuelos

Defendant(s):

Nasser Redjal

Represented By
Omero Banuelos

Plaintiff(s):

Carolyn Dye

Represented By
Leonard Pena

Trustee(s):

Carolyn A Dye (TR)

Represented By
Leonard Pena

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2:25-11164 Guillermo Roditi Dominguez

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#1.00 Hrg re: First interim application for Compensation and
Reimbursement of Expenses of Michael Jay Berger

Docket 107

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 3,
12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Guillermo Roditi Dominguez

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

Movant(s):

Guillermo Roditi Dominguez

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

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#2.00 Hrg re: Creditors Manuel Roditi and Venice Bejarano's
Motion for Third Extension of the Deadline to Object to
Debtor's Claim of Exemption

Docket 104

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 3,
12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Guillermo Roditi Dominguez

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

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#3.00 Cont'd status conference re: Chapter 11 case
fr. 4/8/25, 4/22/25, 6/17/25, 6/24/25, 8/5/25,
8/19/25, 9/23/25

Docket 1

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Grant the Fee Application (dkt. 107) and Extension Motion (dkt. 104) and continue the status conference as set forth below. Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

Debtor's status report (dkt. 112) was not ordered by this Court either orally or in the prior tentative ruling (see Tentative Ruling for 9/23/25, last sentence - reproduced below) and does not appear to add anything to this Court's review of the filed documents. Debtor's counsel is cautioned to use billing judgment about filing non-mandated status reports in future.

(a) Fee application of the Law Offices of Michael J. Berger (dkt. 107), Notice of hearing (dkt. 108), no opposition on file

Allow \$50,158.50 in fees and \$612.86 in expenses, for a total award of \$50,771.36, and authorize and direct payment of the full amounts allowed after applying any unused retainer funds.

(b) Third motion to extend time to object to Debtor's claim of exemption (dkt. 104 & 105, "Extension Motion"), Debtor's opposition and request for

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Overrule Debtor's opposition, grant the Extension Motion, and extend the deadline for movants to object to Debtor's claimed exemptions to and including 1/26/26.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Movants are directed to lodge separate proposed order(s) on the foregoing matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 2/14/25.

- (a) Bar date: 6/17/25 (dkt. 32) (timely served, dkt. 35)
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 19 (served 1 day late, dkt. 28)
- (c) AmPlan/AmDisclosure Statement: TBD
- (d) Continued status conference: 2/24/26 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report required.

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Appearances required.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted Tentative Rulings.

(1) Current issues

(a) Motion to further extend deadline to object to Debtor's claim of exemption filed by Manuel Roditi and Venice Bejarano ("Judgment Creditors") (dkt. 72 & 73, "Second Extension Motion"), Opposition (dkt. 74), Notice of hearing (dkt. 78), Reply (dkt. 84)

The tentative ruling is to grant the Second Extension Motion and extend the deadline for Judgment Creditors to object to Debtor's claimed exemptions to and including 10/27/25.

(b) Debtor's objection to proof of claim 11 ("Claim 11") filed by Judgment Creditors (dkt. 76 & 77, "Claim Objection"); Opposition (dkt. 83);

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Reply (dkt. 85)

The tentative ruling is to sustain the Claim Objection in part and reduce Claim 11 to the portion of the judgment for which Debtor is expressly liable, plus applicable interest, for a total allowed claim of \$1,650,030.41 as of the petition date, subject to the following caveats.

First, in support of their claim Judgment Creditors attached a copy of a Notice of Judgment Lien filed with the California Secretary of State. See Claim 11, PDF pp. 16-17. Accordingly, under Rule 3001(f) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.), Claim 11 is entitled to prima facie validity that it is a secured claim unless and until Debtor obtains an order of this Court determining otherwise.

Second, it is premature at this stage to make any determinations about whether Claim 11 is fully secured, partially secured, or entirely unsecured because it is unclear (u) what the status of Debtor's appeal of the judgment is and what the outcome of that appeal might be; (v) what the total fair market value is of Debtor's personal property; (w) whether there will be any equity in Debtor's personal property to which Judgment Creditors' lien could attach, after taking into account the Internal Revenue Service's senior secured lien against the same personal property (see Proof of Claim 8); (x) whether Judgment Creditors' lien is avoidable under 11 U.S.C. 522(f) in whole or in part; (y) whether Judgment Creditors will object to any of Debtor's claimed exemptions and whether any objection will be sustained; and (z) what other issues might affect the allowed dollar amount of the claim, whether it is secured, etc.

Third, depending upon the outcome of the foregoing issues, the portion of Claim 11 that is secured could be lower. But it could also be higher because, if it turns out that Claim 11 is fully secured, Judgment Creditors might be entitled to payment of interest, fees and costs under 11 U.S.C. 506(b).

For all of the foregoing reasons, the tentative ruling is to deny the Claim Objection in all respects other than as first set forth above, and allow Claim 11 as a **secured claim for \$1,650,030.41** as of the petition date, without prejudice to the parties' ability to litigate the amount, extent, validity, and/or priority of Claim 11.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, creditor Roditi is directed to lodge proposed order(s) on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)) and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby

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incorporating it as this Court's actual ruling.

(c) Monthly Operating Reports ("MORs")

Debtor's July MOR (dkt. 75) states that total receipts for the month were \$3,540.00 and total disbursements for the month were \$21,479.00. *Id.* p. 2. Those figures are a significant deviation from the income reported in Debtor's prior MORs (see June MOR (dkt. 71), p. 2; May MOR (dkt. 60), p. 2) and the expenses this Court approved in connection with Debtor's budget motion. See dkt. 31 & 48. Counsel for Debtor is directed to appear to address the basis for these increased expenses and reduced income and, if any of the expenses were unauthorized, why this Court should not issue an OSC directing Debtor to appear at a future hearing to address why this Court should not remove Debtor as a debtor in possession and appoint a chapter 11 trustee, or convert or dismiss this case, or other appropriate disposition.

(d) Chapter 11 plan of reorganization (dkt. 81, "Plan") and Disclosure statement (dkt. 82, "D/S")

This Court has reviewed Debtor's proposed Plan and D/S which propose to treat Judgment Creditor's claim as a fully unsecured insider claim. The tentative ruling is that it is premature for this Court to consider any plan that is premised on such treatment until any determination(s) has been made about whether Judgment Creditor's claim is fully secured, partially secured, or entirely unsecured. Accordingly, the tentative ruling is that an amended Plan and D/S will be necessary in future but this Court is not inclined to set a deadline for Debtor to file an amended Plan and D/S at this time.

The tentative ruling is also that in connection with any amended Plan and D/S Debtor will need to address the following issues.

First, Debtor's liquidation analysis (dkt. 82, PDF p. 29) assumes that any cash in Debtor's DIP account would have a liquidation value of \$0.00 if this case were converted to chapter 7, but Debtor's Schedule C (dkt. 24, PDF pp. 16-17) does not assert an exemption in any funds in the DIP account so any amended D/S should explain the basis for valuing that cash at \$0.00.

Second, neither the Plan nor the D/S attach financial projections for the duration of the plan so Debtor is directed to include those in future.

Third, although Debtor has not "done the math" to show the total proposed monthly payments under the plan, it appears Debtor is proposing approximately \$26,284.96 in monthly payments. See dkt. 81, pp. 5:25-8:2.

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But that appears to be infeasible based on (x) Debtor's monthly income reported in Bankruptcy Schedule I (dkt. 24, PDF pp. 30-31), and (y) Debtor's actual post-petition income and expenses (see dkt. 82, PDF p. 44) which reflect an average net cash flow of (\$1,999.00) before taking into account all of the proposed payments under the plan.

In view of the foregoing, Counsel for Debtor is directed to appear to address whether Debtor will have sufficient income to propose a feasible/confirmable plan within a reasonable period of time and, if not, why this Court should not dismiss this case at this status conference or issue an OSC directing Debtor to appear at a future hearing to address why this case should not be dismissed or why this Court should not order other similar relief.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 2/14/25.

- (a) Bar date: 6/17/25 (dkt. 32) (timely served, dkt. 35)
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 19 (served 1 day late, dkt. 28)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement (dkt. 81 & 82): see above.
- (d) Continued status conference: 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Guillermo Roditi Dominguez

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

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2:25-18746 Completely Concrete Structures Inc.

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#4.00 Hrg re: Motion to Withdraw as Debtor's Bankruptcy Counsel

Docket 57

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 5, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Completely Concrete Structures Inc.

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

Movant(s):

Completely Concrete Structures Inc.

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

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#5.00 Cont'd status conference re: Chapter 11 Case
fr. 10/7/25, 10/10/25, 11/4/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required by counsel for Debtor and by Debtor's principal.

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(1) Current issues

(a) No order granting proposed counsel's employment on file

This Court's adopted tentative ruling for 11/4/25 (see "Part (1)(e)," reproduced below) directed proposed counsel to file a supplemental declaration addressing the third-party funder issues prior to lodging a proposed order granting its employment application. Contrary to those instructions, proposed counsel lodged a proposed order without filing any supplemental declaration(s), so this Court rejected the proposed order with instructions to do so prior to re-lodging an order. As of the preparation of this tentative ruling, proposed counsel has not complied. Why not?

(b) Motion to withdrawn as counsel of record (dkt. 57), Notice of hearing (dkt. 58), no opposition on file

Subject to resolution of the issues set forth above, the tentative ruling is to grant the motion and direct Debtor's principal to appear to address what efforts have been undertaken to retain alternate counsel.

Proposed orders: Unless otherwise ordered, Counsel is directed to lodge proposed orders on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date. See LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B).

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- (2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 10/1/25.
- (a) Bar date: 1/6/26 (dkt. 61) (timely served, dkt. 63)
 - (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 4 (timely served, dkt. 39)
 - (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: file by 1/29/26 (DO NOT SERVE - except on the U.S. Trustee). See Procedures Order.
 - (d) Continued status conference: 1/6/26 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report required.

Tentative Ruling for 11/4/25:

Continue as set forth below, in view of the government shutdown (see the first item on today's calendar, at 9:00 a.m.). Appearances are not required on 11/4/25.

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

(1) Current issues

(a) Cash Collateral Motion (dkt. 8-9), Application for order shortening time (dkt. 12, "App for OST"), Order shortening time (dkt. 20, "OST"), notices/proofs of service (dkt. 21-24, 26), Interim cash collateral orders (dkt. 30 & 44), notice of continued hearing (dkt. 38), Supplemental Orenstein declarations (dkt. 52, 55), no oppositions on file

Grant on a final basis on the same terms and conditions set forth in the interim cash collateral orders.

(b) Payroll Motion (dkt. 10), App for OST (dkt. 12), OST (dkt. 20), notices/proofs of service (dkt. 21-24, 26), Interim payroll orders (dkt. 31 & 45), notice of continued hearing (dkt. 38), no oppositions on file

Grant on a final basis.

(c) Budget Motion (dkt. 10), App for OST (dkt. 12), OST (dkt. 20), notices/proofs of service (dkt. 21-24, 26), Interim budget order (dkt. 46), notice of continued hearing (dkt. 38), oppositions on file

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Approve the revised budget attached as Exhibit 1 to the Supplemental Orenstein Declaration (dkt. 55, PDF p. 6).

(d) Consumer Privacy Ombudsman?

Debtor's status report (dkt. 54, p. 11) checked the form box for appointment of a consumer privacy ombudsman pursuant to 11 U.S.C. 332 but it is unclear why that would be necessary in this case. This Court presumes that selection was inadvertent but, if not, Debtor's counsel is directed to file a declaration addressing that issue by a **deadline of 11/11/25**.

(e) Application to employ the Law Offices of Michael Jay Berger (dkt. 42, "Employment Application")

This matter is not on for hearing today because Debtor has elected to proceed on what is colloquially referred to as "negative notice" pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(o). But the tentative ruling is to require Debtor to file an additional declaration from Mr. Orenstein in support of the Employment Application.

The Employment Application discloses that proposed counsel has received \$13,000.00 in funds towards its retainer from Debtor's Chief Financial Officer, Noah Orenstein. Dkt. 42, p. 4:3-5 & Orenstein Decl., PDF p. 22:14-16. Serious ethical concerns are raised by any arrangement for payment of attorneys fees by a non-debtor to fund counsel for a debtor, as set forth in the "Procedures of Judge Bason" (available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, the "Procedures") and the sources referenced therein. The tentative ruling is that, although the Orenstein Declaration addresses some of those concerns (see dkt. 42, PDF p. 22:17-22), it does not disclose (x) Mr. Orenstein was advised about the actual and potential conflicts of interest, and that the sole attorney-client relationship and duty of loyalty is with Debtor, not Mr. Orenstein, and whether Mr. Orenstein had an opportunity to obtain independent counsel, or (y) all relevant connections which, under the revised Procedures, must be disclosed on a marked-up version of Local Form F 2014-1.

The tentative ruling is to direct Debtor to file, and serve on the U.S. Trustee, a marked-up version of Local Form F 2014-1, prior to lodging a proposed order on the Employment Application.

Proposed orders: Unless otherwise ordered, Debtor is directed to

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lodge proposed orders on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby incorporating it as this Court's actual ruling. See LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B).

(f) Government shutdown

The tentative ruling is that it is appropriate to continue this "Principal" status conference in view of the (partial) shutdown of the federal government, with the caveat that counsel for Debtor is directed to convey to Debtor's principal the duties of a debtor in possession, acting as a trustee for the benefit of creditors, which include comprehensive disclosure requirements, frequent notices to creditors with opportunities to object, and court approval for many matters, all of which mandates (i) frequent communication with Debtor's counsel and (ii) advance planning, to provide sufficient time for notice, a hearing, and issuance of court orders. For additional information about the government shutdown, see the first matter on today's calendar (for 9:00 a.m.).

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 10/1/25.

- (a) Bar date: 1/6/26 (DO NOT SERVE notice yet - court will prepare an order after the status conference).
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 4 (timely served, dkt. 39)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: file by 1/29/26 (DO NOT SERVE - except on the U.S. Trustee). See Procedures Order.
- (d) Continued status conference: 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m., concurrent with other matters. No written status report required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Completely Concrete Structures Inc.

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

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2:25-19576 Supra National Express, Inc.

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#6.00 Hrg re: Application of Chapter 11 Debtor and Debtor-in-Possess to Employ
Levene, Neale, Bender, Yoo & Golubchik L.L.P. as General Bankruptcy Counsel
Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. §§ 327(a), 330, And 331

Docket 31

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 8,
12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Supra National Express, Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
Todd M Arnold
Robert Carrasco

Movant(s):

Supra National Express, Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
Todd M Arnold
Robert Carrasco

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#7.00 Cont'd hrg re: Emergency motion for entry of an interim order: (I) Authorizing the debtor to use cash collateral; (II) Granting adequate protection; (III) Scheduling a final hearing; and (IV) Granting related relief fr. 11/4/25

Docket 9

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 8, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Supra National Express, Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
Todd M Arnold
Robert Carrasco

Movant(s):

Supra National Express, Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
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Robert Carrasco

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#7.10 Hrg re: Debtor's Motion For Entry Of An Order: (I) Authorizing The Debtor To Obtain Post-Petition Secured Factor Financing, (II) Authorizing The Use Of Cash Collateral, (III) Granting Liens And Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims, (IV) Modifying The Automatic Stay, (V) Granting Related Relief; And (VI) Scheduling An Interim And Final Hearing

Docket 46

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 8, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Supra National Express, Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
Todd M Arnold
Robert Carrasco

Movant(s):

Supra National Express, Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
Todd M Arnold
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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required by counsel for Debtor and by Debtor's principal.

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(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed Debtor's Status Report (dkt. 44) and the other filed papers and records in this case and has no issues to raise *sua sponte* at this time.

(a) Cash collateral motion (dkt. 9-10), OST (dkt. 5), Notice (dkt. 11), Interim order (dkt. 23), Notice of continued hearing (dkt. 24), no opposition on file

Grant on a final basis on the same conditions set forth in the interim order. Dkt. 23.

(b) Application to employ Levene, Neale, Bender, Yoo & Golubchik LLP (dkt. 27, amended by dkt. 31), Notice (dkt. 28), no opposition on file

Grant subject to Judge Bason's standard employment terms. Available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov.

(c) DIP financing motion (dkt. 46); order shortening time re same (dkt. 49, "OST"); proofs of service (dkt. 54, 55); no opposition on file as of preparation of this tentative ruling

Grant on an interim basis, subject to any opposition and reply at the

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hearing, and further subject to the tentative ruling included in the OST, and continue for a final hearing on 1/20/26 at 1:00 p.m.

Proposed orders: Unless otherwise ordered, Debtor is directed to lodge proposed orders on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby incorporating it as this Court's actual ruling. See LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B).

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 11/28/25.

- (a) Bar date: 2/24/26 (DO NOT SERVE notice yet - court will prepare an order after the status conference).
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 3 (timely served, dkt.22)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: file by 3/17/26 (DO NOT SERVE - except on the U.S. Trustee). See Procedures Order.
- (d) Continued status conference: 12/16/25 at 1:00 p.m., concurrent with other matters. No written status report is required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Supra National Express, Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
Todd M Arnold
Robert Carrasco

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2:25-13881 Dedication & Everlasting Love To Animals

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#9.00 Hrg re: Chapter 11 Trustee's motion for entry of an order (1) Authorizing further use of cash collateral; and (II) Granting adequate protection

Docket 174

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 13, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dedication & Everlasting Love To

Represented By
William R Hess
Krikor J Meshefejian

Movant(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

Trustee(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

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#10.00 Hrg re: Chapter 11 Trustee's first interim application for the period
from March 16, 2025 to October 21, 2025

Docket 180

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 13,
12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dedication & Everlasting Love To

Represented By
William R Hess
Krikor J Meshefejian

Trustee(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

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#11.00 Hrg re: First interim application of Levene, Neale, Bender, Yoo & Golubchik, LLP for approval of fees and reimbursement of expenses incurred as General Bankruptcy Counsel to Chapter 11 Trustee

Docket 180

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 13, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dedication & Everlasting Love To

Represented By
William R Hess
Krikor J Meshefejian

Movant(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

Trustee(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

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#12.00 Cont'd hrg re: Chapter 11 Trustees Motion For Entry Of An Order Authorizing Trustee To Abandon Real Property Located At 3007 Durfee Avenue, El Monte, Ca (APN 8106-009-012) Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. § 554(A) fr. 10/21/25

Docket 147

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 13, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dedication & Everlasting Love To

Represented By
William R Hess
Krikor J Meshefejian

Movant(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

Trustee(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

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#13.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Chapter 11 Case
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8/19/25, 10/7/25, 10/21/25, 11/18/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Draft Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Direct Chapter 11 Trustee ("Trustee") and the City of El Monte to appear to provide an update regarding Trustee's Motion to Abandon; approve the fee applications filed by the estate's professionals; and continue the status conference, all as set forth below. Appearances required only as to the Motion to Abandon and the Status Conference. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

(1) Current issues

(a) Trustee's Motion to abandon real property (dkt. 147, the "Motion to Abandon"), Notice of Motion to Abandon (dkt. 148), Opposition filed by City of El Monte (dkt. 152), Reply (dkt. 157)

Without discussing any confidential settlement communications, the parties are directed to appear to provide an update regarding whether this matter has settled (subject to any required approval of this Court) or whether this Court should establish a briefing schedule or otherwise address this matter.

(b) Motion for Further Interim Use of Cash Collateral (dkt. 174), Statement Re: Cash Collateral Provisions (dkt. 175), Notice (dkt. 176), No opposition on file

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The tentative ruling is to (A) approve the proposed budget and grant Trustee's motion for further interim use of cash collateral, on the same terms and conditions as set forth in the Interim and Final Cash Collateral Orders (dkt. 143 & 153) issued on 9/2/25 and 10/8/25 and (B) to deem this hearing to be a "final" hearing – as opposed to a "preliminary" hearing – for purposes of Rule 4001(b)(2) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.) because parties in interest were provided more than 14 days' notice of the hearing (*i.e.*, it is not necessary for this Court to conduct an additional hearing to determine whether to approve on a final basis Trustee's request for further interim use of cash collateral).

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Trustee is directed to lodge a proposed order on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

(c) Fee application of Chapter 11 Trustee (dkt. 180), Notice of hearing on First Interim Fee Applications (dkt. 178), Notice of errata (dkt. 182), No opposition on file

Allow \$123,534.00 in fees and \$1,623.21 in expenses, on an interim basis, for a total award of \$125,157.21, and authorize and direct payment of the full amounts allowed, to the extent not previously paid.

(d) Fee application of Trustee's general bankruptcy counsel Levene, Neale, Bender, Yoo, & Golubchick LLP (dkt. 177), Trustee's supporting declaration (dkt. 179), Notice of hearing on First Interim Fee Applications (dkt. 178), No opposition on file

Allow \$166,472.50 in fees and \$19,904.03 in expenses, on an interim basis, for a total award of \$186,376.53, and authorize and direct payment of the full amounts allowed, to the extent not previously paid.

Proposed order(s): Unless otherwise ordered, Applicants are directed to lodge proposed orders on the matter(s) addressed here via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date (per LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B)).

(2) Dates/procedures. This Chapter 11 case was filed on 5/9/25. On 5/16/25, this Court both (x) directed the United States Trustee to appoint a Chapter 11 Trustee (dkt. 20) and (y) approved the appointment of Todd Frealy as Trustee (dkt. 24).

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- (a) Bar date: 9/19/25 (Bar Date Order (dkt. 113) timely served, dkt. 114)
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 6 (not timely served, but eventually served, per dkt. 36, 37, thereby providing notice to all parties in interest of the matters therein)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: filing deadline TBD
- (d) Continued status conference: 2/10/26 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dedication & Everlasting Love To

Represented By
William R Hess
Krikor J Meshefejian

Trustee(s):

Todd A. Frealy (TR)

Represented By
Krikor J Meshefejian

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2:25-14827 Dog Robber Inc.

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#14.00 Hrg re: Joint Chapter 11 Plan and Disclosure Statement dated October 14, 2025

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***** VACATED *** REASON: Order setting hearing on 2/10/26 at 11:00
p.m. [dkt. 144]**

Tentative Ruling:

- NONE LISTED -

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dog Robber Inc.

Represented By
Richard L. Sturdevant
Andy C Warshaw

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2:25-14827 Dog Robber Inc.

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#15.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Chapter 11 Case
fr. 6/12/25, 6/17/25, 7/8/25, 8/19/25, 9/9/25, 10/7/25
11/4/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue the status conferences for all related Debtors as set forth below.
Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed the filed documents and records in the lead bankruptcy case (Dog Robber, Inc.), including the notice (dkt. 154) of modifications to the proposed Plan (per this Court's order, dkt. 144), and this Court has no issues to raise *sua sponte*.

(2) Dates/procedures. The Dog Robber case was filed on 6/6/25; Benny & Marys on 6/6/25; Mimosas on 6/12/25.

- (a) Bar date: Dog Robber 9/15/25 (per Order dkt. 55; timely served dkt. 59); Benny & Marys 8/15/25 (per General Order 20-01); Mimosas 8/21/25 (*id.*).
- (b) Procedures Order: Dog Robber dkt. 4 (timely served, dkt. 6); Benny & Marys dkt. 3 (timely served, dkt. 5); Mimosas Mimosas dkt. 6 (timely served, dkt. 8)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: timely filed (dkt. 136) and served (dkt. 139).

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(d) Continued status conferences (all related cases): 12/16/25 at 1:00 p.m., concurrent with other matters. No written status report required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Dog Robber Inc.

Represented By
Richard L. Sturdevant
Andy C Warshaw

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2:25-14830 Benny and Marys Irvine, LLC

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#16.00 Cont'd Status conference re: Chapter 11 case
fr. 6/17/25, 6/24/25, 7/8/25, 8/5/25, 8/19/25, 9/9/25,
10/7/25, 11/4/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference in Dog Robber Inc.
(Calendar No. 15, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Benny and Marys Irvine, LLC

Represented By
Christopher A, Minier
David M Goodrich

Trustee(s):

Mark M Sharf (TR)

Pro Se

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2:25-14956 MIMOSAS A CALI LIFE LLC

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#17.00 Cont'd status conference re: Chapter 11 case
fr. 6/20/25, 7/8/25, 8/19/25, 9/9/25, 10/7/25, 11/4/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference in Dog Robber Inc.
(Calendar No. 15, 12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

MIMOSAS A CALI LIFE LLC

Represented By
David M Goodrich

Trustee(s):

Susan K Seflin (TR)

Pro Se

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2:23-12137 Vistam, Inc.

Chapter 11

#18.00 [CASE DISMISSED ON 6/14/2023]

Cont'd Status Conference re: Chapter 11 Case
fr. 5/2/23, 5/10/23, 5/23/23, 5/30/23, 6/13/23,
7/18/23, 8/8/23, 10/31/23, 11/14/23, 2/6/24,
2/20/24, 4/2/24, 4/9/24, 5/7/24, 6/25/24, 8/27/24,
11/19/24, 1/21/25, 4/22/25, 07/15/25, 10/21/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue the status conference as set forth below. Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

(a) Appeal on sanctions matters

On 9/24/25, the United States District Court for the Central District of California (the "District Court") affirmed this Bankruptcy Court's order imposing sanctions upon Ms. Whitehead and Mr. Tamayo. Dkt. 211. On 10/24/25, Ms. Whitehead and Mr. Tamayo appealed the District Court's affirmance to the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Status Report (dkt. 217) p. 2:8–10 (the appeal has been assigned Case No. 25-6782). Therefore, the tentative ruling is to continue this status conference as set forth in part "(2)(a)," below, with directions to file a status report so that this Bankruptcy Court can determine what action, if any, may be appropriate.

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(2) Dates/deadlines. This case was dismissed on 6/14/23 with a 180-day bar to being a debtor in bankruptcy. Dkt. 93. A Memorandum Decision holding Appellants in contempt was issued on 5/7/24 (dkt. 160); the Sanctions Order (dkt. 163) implementing that Memorandum Decision was issued on 5/13/24; and an order imposing additional sanctions (compensatory attorney fees) was entered on 6/27/24 (dkt. 182).

(a) Continued status conference: 6/2/26 at 1:00 p.m. *Brief* joint status report (or, if the parties cannot agree, separate status reports) due 5/19/26.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULINGS OMITTED (for principal issues see dkt. 160, 182, 185, 211)]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Vistam, Inc.

Represented By
Selwyn Whitehead

Trustee(s):

Moriah Douglas Flahaut (TR)

Pro Se

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2:23-14528 Brian D Witzer

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01445 Pravati Credit Fund III, LP v. Witzer

#19.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Complaint for Determination of Nondischargeability of Debt Pursuant to Section 523(a)(2)(A) & (B) and Section 523(a)(4)
fr. 1/2/24, 5/7/24, 6/26/24, 8/6/24, 10/08/24, 11/5/24, 12/3/24, 1/21/25, 3/18/25, 6/17/25, 6/23/25, 7/23/25, 7/25/25, 7/29/25, 10/7/25, 11/4/25

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Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue as set forth below. Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

This Court has no issues to raise *sua sponte* at this time. The matter is under submission and, although this Court had anticipated issuing a written disposition prior to this hearing, additional, unforeseen circumstances arose which prevented this Court from issuing a written decision in advance of this hearing. This Court anticipates issuing a written disposition shortly.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

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(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

Matters of venue, jurisdiction, and authority have been determined and/or waived or forfeited (adv. dkt. 5, 13, 21).

(b) Mediation [N/A]

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 10/23/23. Trial took place on 7/23/25, 7/25/25 and 7/29/25 and the matter is under submission. The tentative ruling is to continue the status conference to 12/16/25 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report is required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Brian D Witzer

Represented By
David S Hagen
Michael S Kogan

Defendant(s):

Brian D Witzer

Represented By
Michael S Kogan

Plaintiff(s):

Pravati Credit Fund III, LP

Represented By
Jennifer Witherell Crastz
Christopher Crowell

Trustee(s):

Sam S Leslie (TR)

Represented By
Jeremy Faith
Jonathan Serrano

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2:24-19131 Kyung Jik Lee

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#20.00 Status Conference re: Post confirmation
fr. 12/3/24, 1/7/25, 1/21/25, 4/22/25, 6/3/25, 8/5/25, 9/9/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue the post-confirmation status conference as set forth below.
Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed the Status Report (dkt. 107) filed on 11/17/25, and has no issues to raise *sua sponte*.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 11/6/24.

- (a) Bar date: 1/15/25 (dkt. 33).
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 4 (timely served, dkt. 10)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: First Amended Plan (dkt. 70) confirmed on 4/23/25 (dkt. 81).
- (d) Post-confirmation status conference: 12/16/25 at 1:00 p.m., concurrent with an anticipated hearing on a motion expected to be filed by Reorganized Debtor (if no such motion is filed, this Court anticipates posting a tentative ruling further continuing this matter). No written post-confirmation status report required.

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

Kyung Jik Lee

Represented By

Matthew D. Resnik

Roksana D. Moradi-Brovia

Trustee(s):

Moriah Douglas Flahaut (TR)

Pro Se

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2:24-20369 Cinema Management Group, LLC

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#21.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Chapter 11 Case
fr. 2/21/25, 3/4/25, 3/18/25, 4/8/25, 4/22/25, 5/20/25,
6/17/25, 07/15/25, 8/19/25, 9/23/25, 10/21/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue as set forth below. Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed the documents and records on file in Debtor's bankruptcy case-in-chief, and has no issues to raise *sua sponte*.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 12/20/24, and was converted from Chapter 7 to Chapter 11 on 2/6/25 (dkt. 40).

- (a) Bar date: 4/18/25 (Bar Date Order (dkt. 93) timely served, dkt. 102)
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 60 (timely served, dkt. 64)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: TBD
- (d) Continued status conference: 12/16/25 at 1:00 p.m., concurrent with other matters. No written status report required.

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Debtor(s):

Cinema Management Group, LLC

Represented By
John D Monte

Trustee(s):

John P Pringle (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey S Kwong
Juliet Y. Oh
David L. Neale
Todd A. Frealy

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2:25-10237 KB3 2275 Century LLC

Chapter 11

#22.00 Cont'd status conference re: Chapter 11 case
fr. 2/11/25, 2/25/25, 4/8/25, 5/20/25, 6/3/25,
7/8/25, 8/5/25, 9/23/25

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Appearances required.

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(1) Current issues

(a) Missing Disclosure Statement and Plan

On 7/10/25, this Court issued an order extending Debtor's deadline to file a Disclosure Statement and Plan to 11/11/25 (see dkt. 85). As of the preparation of this tentative ruling, no Disclosure Statement or Plan is on file, and no extension of the deadline has been sought (as set forth below, this Court recognizes that it might be premature to file any Plan or Disclosure Statement prior to resolution of the State Court litigation, but that is no excuse for simply disregarding an order, instead of seeking an extension). Debtor should be prepared to address why it has disregarded this deadline.

(b) Status of State Court Action

As explained in the Memorandum Decision (dkt. 99) issued on 8/27/25 directing Debtor to provide adequate protection to Preferred Bank, Debtor is pursuing an action to invalidate the security interest asserted by Garcia and Maria D. Garcia, Daniel L. Barraza and Veronia R. Baraza, and Jorge Tobias Leal, in his capacity as trustee of the Family Trust dated 12/14/2004, who

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together hold a second deed of trust against Debtor's principal real property (collectively, the "Second DOT Creditors") in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles (the "State Court"). *See generally* Case No. 25STCV12211 (the "State Court Action") (Ex. A, adv. dkt. 5, Adv. No. 2:25-ap-01065-NB). Debtor is directed to provide an update on the status of the State Court Action, which appears likely to be a key determinant of what type of financial restructuring Debtor may seek in a proposed plan.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 1/13/25.

- (a) Bar date: 4/10/25 (Bar Date Order (dkt. 22) timely served, dkt. 24)
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 4 (timely served, dkt. 7)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: file by 11/11/25 (see dkt. 85) (DO NOT SERVE - except on the U.S. Trustee). *See* Procedures Order.
- (d) Continued status conference: 1/20/26 at 1:00 p.m. *Brief* written status report due by 1/6/26.

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Party Information

Debtor(s):

KB3 2275 Century LLC

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

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(1) Current issues

(a) Compliance issues raised by United States Trustee ("UST")

UST has provided evidence that the beginning and ending balances set forth in the "Cash Receipts and Disbursements" section of Debtor's Monthly Operating Reports ("MORs") do not match from month to month. UST Status Rpt. (dkt. 114) p. 4:4–15. UST also reports that certain bank statements are missing from the MORs. The tentative ruling is to **set a deadline of 12/16/25** for Debtor to file amended MORs correcting the foregoing deficiencies.

UST also reports that Debtor is currently delinquent in quarterly fees in the amount of \$32,382.32. UST Status Rpt. (dkt. 114) p. 6:1. At the hearing, Debtor is directed to explain its plans for becoming current on this delinquency.

Finally, UST reports that Debtor has consistently filed its MORs late. UST Status Rpt. (dkt. 114) p. 4:4–15. Debtor is reminded that the timely filing of MORs plays a critical role both in enabling UST to discharge its oversight responsibilities and allowing parties in interest and this Court to monitor this case and remain apprised of Debtor's operations, and is cautioned that failure to timely file MORs in future may result in adverse consequences. The

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tentative ruling is that it might be too draconian to issue a "continuing compliance" order that would provide for dismissal of this bankruptcy case absent timely and accurate MORs, but that such an order is likely to be issued in future if Debtor continues the current pattern of non-compliance.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 2/24/25.

(a) Bar date: 5/16/25 (Bar Date Order (dkt. 51) timely served, dkt. 62)

(b) Procedures Order: dkt. 13 (timely served, dkt. 17)

(c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: timely filed on 6/24/25 (dkt. 71–72) (DO NOT SERVE - except on the U.S. Trustee). See Procedures Order.

(d) Continued status conference: 1/20/26 at 1:00 p.m. *Brief* written status report due by 1/13/26.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Frisco Baking Company, Inc.

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Jeffrey S Shinbrot

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Plan Confirmation
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Docket 1

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 25,
12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Hays Tabernacle CME Church

Represented By
Lewis R Landau

Trustee(s):

Mark M Sharf (TR)

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Docket 1

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:
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(1) Current issues

(a) Discovery dispute

In the status report (dkt. 192) filed on 11/25/25, Debtor describes the following discovery dispute with The Evergreen Advantage ("Evergreen"):

Debtor believes it has responded to all written discovery requested by [Evergreen]. This should have resulted in Evergreen setting its requested depositions of Debtor's witnesses, but Evergreen is refusing to do so based on its demand that Debtor prepare an analysis of financial performance that is beyond the scope of a written discovery request. Evergreen's demand for a financial analysis from Debtor's expert as a condition to setting depositions is unreasonable, although Debtor is nonetheless considering the request. Debtor requests that the Court set a deadline for Evergreen to complete its requested depositions so the confirmation process can advance. Debtor further requests that the Court set a deadline for Evergreen to file its expert reports and confirmation briefing after the conclusion of depositions and

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prior to the next scheduled hearing on plan confirmation.
[Status Rpt. (dkt. 192) p. 2:1–11.]

The parties should be prepared to address the foregoing discovery dispute at the status conference.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 10/6/24 and reassigned to Judge Bason on 3/3/25 (dkt. 65).

(a) Bar date: 3/14/25 (Bar Date Order (dkt. 60) timely served, dkt. 59)

(b) Procedures Order: dkt. 67 (served on 3/11/25, dkt. 79 pp. 15–16)

(c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: timely filed on 5/29/25 (dkt. 129).

(d) Continued status conference: 1/20/26 at 1:00 p.m. *Brief* status report due by 1/13/26.

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[EXCERPTS FROM:] Tentative Ruling for 8/19/25:

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(1) Current issues

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(e) Debtor's proposed Plan (dkt. 98); Objections by Evergreen Advantage, LLC ("Evergreen") (dkt. 138, 139); Ballot Summary (dkt. 143); Debtor's response (dkt. 144-45); Debtor's status report re: Plan confirmation (dkt. 163)

The tentative ruling is not to set any briefing schedule at this time, and instead to direct the parties to continue their efforts to conclude discovery and continue to meet and confer about scheduling and procedures. Meanwhile, the tentative ruling is to continue the confirmation hearing to be concurrent with the continued Status Conference (see part "(2)(d)" of this Tentative Ruling, below).

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[EXCERPTS FROM:] Tentative Ruling for 7/17/25:

Appearances required.

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(1) Current issues

(a) Background

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Debtor, a church with historic roots that is located in the Watts neighborhood of Los Angeles, seeks confirmation of its Subchapter V Plan of Reorganization (dkt. 98, the "Plan"). A key component of the Plan is the sale of property located at 1407 E. Kramer Drive, Carson, CA 90746 (the "Kramer Property"), which Debtor previously used as a parsonage. The hearing to confirm Debtor's Plan (the "Confirmation Hearing") has been scheduled to take place concurrently with the hearing on Debtor's motion to approve the sale of the Kramer Property (dkt. 131–32, 134, & 136–37, the "Sale Motion").

In addition to the Kramer Property, Debtor also owns several adjacent parcels of real property – located at 10121 S. Central Ave., 10207 S. Central Ave., 10203 S. Central Ave., and 1143/1149 E. 102d St., Los Angeles, CA – which Debtor operates as a church (the "Church Property"). (The Church Property consists of a commercial building that Debtor uses to conduct worship services and an adjacent parking lot.)

Evergreen Advantage, LLC ("Evergreen") asserts a secured claim against the Church Property, in the amount of approximately \$2,587,622.91, plus attorney fees, costs of collection, and interest (the "Evergreen Claim"). Evergreen Opp. (dkt. 138) p. 4:13–17. Debtor has commenced an action against Evergreen in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles (the "State Court") challenging the validity of the Evergreen claim. Plan (dkt. 98) Ex. E (the "State Court Litigation").

Debtor's plan hinges upon a sale of the Kramer Property [which has been authorized and has now closed, with net proceeds of \$575,643.53: see dkt. 161]. * * * [See *a/so*] Issa Decl. (dkt. 144) ¶ 6 (p. 15:7–14) [projecting \$587,179.00 net proceeds available to fund the Plan]. Debtor also represents that it has received "a Plan funding commitment from the Christian Methodist Church for up to \$125,000.00 to fund any operating or Plan requirements over the Plan term" Plan (dkt. 98) art. 7, ¶ 2 (p. 5).

Pending resolution of Debtor's challenge to the validity of the Evergreen Claim, Debtor's Plan proposes to make interest-only payments to Evergreen of \$12,500.00 per month for 36 months (calculated by paying 6.2% interest on the \$2,445,201.54 amount set forth in Evergreen's proof of claim). Issa Decl. (dkt. 144) ¶¶ 11 & 14 (p. 16:15–16 & 17:13–16); Plan (dkt. 98) art. 7 ¶ 8 (p. 5); Reply (dkt. 144) p. 5:19–25. J. Michael Issa, Debtor's valuation expert, testifies that the contemplated interest payments are "consistent with the current market terms for church real estate loans." Issa Decl. (dkt. 144) ¶ 14 (p. 17:13–18). These interest-only payments would be funded from the

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net proceeds of the sale of the Kramer Property and the contribution from Christian Methodist Church. Issa Decl. (dkt. 144) ¶ 18(a) (p. 19:4–7). The Plan provides that any amount remaining on the Evergreen Claim after the 36 months of interest-only payments will be satisfied through a balloon payment funded "from additional contributions" or "refinancing or sale" of the Church Property. Plan (dkt. 98) art. 7 ¶ 8 (p. 5).

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(b) Sale motion ...

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(c) Debtor's proposed Plan (dkt. 98); Objections by Evergreen Advantage, LLC ("Evergreen") (dkt. 138, 139); Ballot Summary (dkt. 143); Debtor's response (dkt. 144-45)

(i) Cramdown standards

The requirements for confirmation of a Subchapter V plan are set forth in 11 U.S.C. 1191, which generally incorporates with modifications 11 U.S.C. 1129(a)-(b). A nonconsensual plan nevertheless may be confirmed if "the plan does not discriminate unfairly, and is fair and equitable, with respect to each class of claims or interests that is impaired under, and has not accepted, the plan." 11 U.S.C. 1191(b).

(A) Unfair discrimination

A plan unfairly discriminates if similar claims are treated differently without a reasonable basis for the disparate treatment. *See, e.g., In re Acequia, Inc.*, 787 F.2d 1352, 1364 (9th Cir. 1986) ("The Collier treatise states that this provision requires that a plan 'allocate[] value to the class in a manner consistent with the treatment afforded to other classes with similar legal claims against the debtor'" (citation omitted)).

(B) Fair and equitable

"[T]he condition that a plan be fair and equitable with respect ... to a class of secured claims" includes the requirement that "the plan meets the requirements of section 1129(b)(2)(A)." 11 U.S.C. 1191(c)(1). Under 11 U.S.C. 1129(b)(2)(A), the "fair and equitable" requirement includes the following requirement:

(i)

(I) that the holders of such claims retain the liens securing such claims, whether the property subject to

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such liens is retained by the debtor or transferred to another entity, to the extent of the allowed amount of such claims; and
(II) that each holder of a claim of such class receive on account of such claim deferred cash payments totaling at least the allowed amount of such claim, of a value, as of the effective date of the plan, of at least the value of such holder's interest in the estate's interest in such property;
(ii) for the sale, subject to section 363(k) of this title, of any property that is subject to the liens securing such claims, free and clear of such liens, with such liens to attach to the proceeds of such sale, and the treatment of such liens on proceeds under clause (i) or (iii) of this subparagraph; or
(iii) for the realization by such holders of the indubitable equivalent of such claims. [11 U.S.C. 1129(b)(2)(A).]

Section 1191(b) specifies additional requirements that are necessary, but not sufficient, to satisfy the "fair and equitable" test. (As one court explained in, the statute uses the term "includes" to make clear that the specific requirements delineated therein are only the "minimal standards [that] plans must meet," and that the statute "is not to be interpreted as requiring that every plan not prohibited be approved." *Matter of D & F Const. Inc.*, 865 F.2d 673, 675 (5th Cir. 1989).) Those additional requirements are as follows:

- (2) As of the effective date of the plan--
(A) the plan provides that all of the projected disposable income of the debtor to be received in the 3-year period, or such longer period not to exceed 5 years as the court may fix, beginning on the date that the first payment is due under the plan will be applied to make payments under the plan; or
(B) the value of the property to be distributed under the plan in the 3-year period, or such longer period not to exceed 5 years as the court may fix, beginning on the date on which the first distribution is due under the plan is not less than the projected disposable income of the debtor.

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(A) The debtor will be able to make all payments under the plan; or

(B)

(i) there is a reasonable likelihood that the debtor will be able to make all payments under the plan; and

(ii) the plan provides appropriate remedies, which may include the liquidation of nonexempt assets, to protect the holders of claims or interests in the event that the payments are not made. [11 U.S.C. 1191(c)(2)–(3).]

(ii) "Good faith" and allegedly "unfair discrimination" objections: overrule in part

The tentative ruling is that the "good faith" inquiry is narrow. The authorities cited by Debtor are far more on point about the scope of the "good faith" inquiry than Evergreen's citations. As Debtor correctly notes, the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (the "Ninth Circuit") has held that the statute "directs courts to look only to the proposal of a plan, not the terms of the plan." *Garvin v. Cook Investments NW, SPNWY, LLC*, 922 F.3d 1031, 1035 (9th Cir. 2019) (emphasis added, citations omitted).

Note 3: *Garvin* also stated that "[c]ases directing courts to look to the 'totality of the circumstances' to determine whether a plan was proposed in good faith do not change the analysis here," and courts must still "determine whether the plan achieves a result consistent with the objectives and purposes of the Code." *Id.* at 1036 n. 3 (citations omitted; emphasis added). In this Court's view, *Garvin* is best understood as refining but not changing the analysis. That is, the primary focus of the "good faith" inquiry must be upon whether the plan "was lawfully proposed," *Garvin*, 922 F.3d. 1031, 1036. But in conducting that inquiry, this Court need not disregard other considerations – including, for example, whether the Plan achieves results consistent with the objectives and purposes of the Code.

The tentative ruling is that Evergreen has not made a sufficient showing that the filing of this bankruptcy case was lacking in good faith, for

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two reasons. (A) Debtor is a charitable/religious institution, and Evergreen has not shown any way that Debtor could have posted a bond or paid Evergreen without liquidating some of the assets that it uses for its charitable/religious activities, so Debtor had a legitimate need for bankruptcy relief. (B) Although Evergreen emphasizes that it is in the business of short term and high interest loans, it took the risk when it made the loan of a future bankruptcy case by Debtor, including the possibility that the loan repayment terms would be adjusted as permitted by the Bankruptcy Code.

Similarly, the tentative ruling is that Evergreen has not shown that it is unfair to provide for payment of (undisputed and small) claims immediately upon the effective date of the proposed Plan while deferring payments on the (much larger, disputed) claim of Evergreen until after final resolution of that claim, and thereafter for some months so that Debtor has some time to pay any such allowed claim through a refinance, a sale, or other means, without unduly disrupting Debtor's charitable/religious functions. *See, e.g., In re Barakat*, 99 F.3d 1520, 1524–25 (9th Cir. 1996) (permitting separate classification where supported by a legitimate business or economic justification).

On the other hand, Debtor has not responded to Evergreen's allegation that Debtor has allowed the State Court litigation to languish during this bankruptcy case, including that Debtor has not filed a motion for leave to file its proposed Fifth Amended Complaint. *See* Evergreen Obj. (dkt. 138) p. 7:10-12. Debtor is directed to address that issue at the hearing.

(iii) Feasibility and "appropriate remedies" objection: overrule

On the one hand, it is true that there are some weaknesses in Debtor's evidence of feasibility. Debtor's cash flow has not been shown to be as reliable as it might be, and Debtor provides insufficient evidence of "back stop" funding by the Ninth Episcopal District Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, Inc. because this Court does not interpret Bishop Hames' declaration as a contractual or otherwise binding and enforceable commitment to fund the full dollar amount that might be needed (up to \$125,000.00). *See* Decl. (dkt. 144) p. 13.

On the other hand, the tentative ruling is that Debtor's net proceeds from the sale of the Kramer Property (well over \$500,000.00) plus Debtor's ability in future to refinance or sell the collateral already pledged to Evergreen, are more than sufficient evidence of feasibility. *See, e.g.,*

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Liquidation Analysis (Plan, dkt. 98, Ex. B, at Bates p. 25) (based on Debtor's sworn schedules etc.).

Because of this more than sufficient evidence that Debtor "will" be able to make all payments under the plan (11 U.S.C. 1191(c)(3)(A)), the tentative ruling is that Debtor is not required to provide specific remedies such as liquidation of its assets (11 U.S.C. 1191(c)(3)(B)). The tentative ruling is that this is particularly appropriate in view of Debtor's charitable/religious mission, and the disruption if not destruction of that mission if liquidation were to be the draconian result of any default under the Plan. In addition, the tentative ruling is that it would be inappropriate to lock Debtor into any specific remedy, such as liquidation, in view of the uncertain future of interest rates and hence Debtor's ability to refinance its debt to Evergreen (if that debt is eventually allowed), as well as the uncertain future regarding any sale of the Church Property, and all other unknowns. In sum, the tentative ruling is that Debtor will be able to make all payments under the Plan, and that even if Debtor were to default under the Plan Evergreen is adequately protected, and it would be inappropriate to lock Debtor into specific remedies in the event of such a default.

(iv) Failure to provide proper calculations for present value of lien (11 U.S.C. 1191(c)(1)): sustain in part

The Plan contemplates that Evergreen has a secured claim of roughly \$2.45 million (Plan section 2.04, dkt. 98 p. 2), and apparently contemplates an interest rate of 6.2% (see Issa Decl., dkt. 144, p. 17:14-15) (although this Court has not found that rate stated in the Plan), apparently resulting in estimated payments of \$12,500.00 per month if the claim were to be allowed in full and were to be amortized on a straight line basis. See Plan (dkt. 98) p. 5, Article 7, section 8. The parties disagree whether these provisions satisfy the "present value" requirement in 11 U.S.C. 1191(c)(1) (incorporating 11 U.S.C. 1129(b)(2)(A)).

Evergreen objects that its claim is much higher when postpetition default interest is taken into account (closer to \$2.6 million), not to mention attorney fees and any other costs and charges. See Evergreen Obj. (dkt. 138) pp. 4:28-5:7 & p. 13:8-13. Debtor counters by objecting to Evergreen's evidence of this dollar amount (dkt. 145) but, although the tentative ruling is to sustain that objection, the tentative ruling is also that this Court can take into account, as argument by Evergreen, that Debtor has not provided any backup

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for its own calculations, and that, under 11 U.S.C. 506(b) and decisions of higher courts, Evergreen's potential claim must include default interest during the pendency of this bankruptcy case prior to any new interest rate under any confirmed Plan. See, e.g., *Gen. Elec. Cap. Corp. v. Future Media Prods., Inc.*, 547 F.3d 956, 961 (9th Cir. 2008) (citing 4 *Collier on Bankruptcy*, ¶ 506.04[2][b][iii] (15th Ed.1996) ("The bankruptcy court should apply a presumption of allowability for the contracted for default rate, 'provided that the rate is not unenforceable under applicable nonbankruptcy law.'"); *Beltway One, supra*, 547 B.R. 819, 826-31.

The tentative ruling is that an evidentiary hearing will be required (absent an agreement of the parties) in order to determine (A) the proper dollar amount of Evergreen's (disputed) claim for purposes of any proposed Plan (e.g., as of 7/17/25 with a daily adjustment for every day thereafter) and (B) the appropriate cramdown rate of interest. The parties are directed to address whether this Court should set any evidentiary hearing and related procedures.

Alternatively, instead of setting any deadlines and evidentiary hearing at this current hearing it might be appropriate to provide a continuance and direct the parties to meet and confer about whether they can agree on the procedures or substance related to the Evergreen claim. The tentative ruling is to adopt the latter procedure and continue the hearing on confirmation of the Plan to address any proposed amendment to it, with a continued hearing on the same date and time as the continued Status Conference set forth below (see part "(2)(d)" of this Tentative Ruling, below). Meanwhile, the tentative ruling is to direct the parties to meet and confer about a possible resolution of the Evergreen objections.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 10/6/24 and reassigned to Judge Bason on 3/3/25 (dkt. 65).

(a) Bar date: 3/14/25 (Bar Date Order (dkt. 60) timely served, dkt. 59)

(b) Procedures Order: dkt. 67 (served on 3/11/25, dkt. 79 pp. 15–16)

(c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: timely filed on 5/29/25 (dkt. 129).

(d) Continued status conference: 8/19/25 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report is required.

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Of Resources Recycling And Recovery
fr. 4/8/25, 5/20/25, 7/8/25, 8/5/25, 9/9/25, 10/7/25, 11/4/25

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***** VACATED *** REASON: Resolved. See dkt. 274 & 275.**

Tentative Ruling:

Party Information

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***** VACATED *** REASON: Resolved. See dkt. 274 & 275.**

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Party Information

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue the status conference and set an optional deadline of 12/4/25 for Debtor to (x) file and serve on all creditors via U.S. mail a notice setting its motion for entry of a final decree (dkt. 253), if Debtor wishes to have such a motion heard at the same date and time as the continued status conference (so as to be concluded before the end of the calendar year), and with a deadline of 12/11/25 at noon for any opposition papers and any reply permitted orally at the hearing, and (y) file a proof of service, as set forth below. Alternatively, Debtor can elect to file such a motion on regular notice. Appearances are not required on 12/2/25.

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(1) Current issues

(a) Motion for entry of final decree and order closing case (dkt. 253, "Motion for Final Decree")

Debtor filed the Motion for Final Decree in March 2025 but, before Debtor lodged a proposed order on the motion, this Court notified Debtor at a status conference on 4/8/25 at 1:00 p.m. that it was not inclined to grant the motion until the then outstanding dispute with CalRecycle dispute was resolved.

That dispute has now been resolved, so it appears appropriate to direct Debtor to re-notice the motion for hearing on shortened notice pursuant

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to 9006(c) (Fed. R. Bankr. P.), as set forth at the start of this tentative ruling.

(2) Dates/deadlines

This subchapter V case was filed on 4/4/24, and this Court confirmed a plan on 8/29/24 (dkt. 185). The tentative ruling is to continue this status conference to 12/16/25 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report is required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Boisson Inc.

Represented By
Ron Bender
Todd M Arnold

Trustee(s):

Caroline Renee Djang (TR)

Pro Se

Gregory Kent Jones (TR)

Pro Se

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vs
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Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 31,
12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Jamie Mazur

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

Movant(s):

U.S. Bank Trust National

Represented By
Shannon A Doyle
Crystle Jane Lindsey

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#30.00 Cont'd hrg re: Motion for relief from stay [RP]
fr. 10/21/25

FINANCE CALIFORNIA
vs
DEBTOR

Docket 115

Tentative Ruling:

Please see the tentative ruling for the status conference (Calendar No. 31,
12/2/25 at 1:00 p.m.).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Jamie Mazur

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

Movant(s):

Finance California

Represented By
Bruce G Landau

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#31.00 Cont'd status conference re: Chapter 11 Case
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11/18/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Conclude the hearings on the R/S Motions filed by U.S. Bank and Finance California, and continue the status conference, all as set forth below.

Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

(a) Continued hearings on R/S Motions filed by U.S. Bank and Finance California (dkt. 113, 115, 124–25, 132, 139)

On 10/29/25, this Court entered an order subjecting Debtor to stricter adequate protection requirements as a condition of continuance of the automatic stay (see dkt. 132, the "Renewed Adequate Protection Order"). In a status report (dkt. 139) filed on 11/25/25, Debtor reports that he is in compliance with the requirements of the Renewed Adequate Protection Order (dkt. 132). The tentative ruling is to conclude the hearings on the R/S Motions, since if Debtor defaults upon his obligations under the Renewed Adequate Protection Order, that order sets forth procedures under which both U.S. Bank and Finance California can submit proposed orders terminating the

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automatic stay. See Renewed Adequate Protection Order (dkt. 132) p. 2:21–25.

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 1/10/25.

(a) Bar date: 3/31/25 (Bar Date Order (dkt. 24) timely served, dkt. 30).

(b) Procedures Order: dkt. 4 (timely served, dkt. 9)

(c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: timely filed (dkt. 102–103) (DO NOT SERVE - except on the U.S. Trustee). See Procedures Order.

(d) Continued status conference: 12/16/25 at 10:00 a.m. (*not* 1:00 p.m.), concurrent with other matters.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Jamie Mazur

Represented By
Michael Jay Berger

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2:22-13069 George Gordon Strong, III

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:24-01189 Vosicher v. Strong, III

#1.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Complaint to Determine Non-Dischargeability of Debt Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 523(a)(4) and 523(a)(6) fr. 9/9/25, 9/24/25, 9/25/25, 10/21/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue as set forth below. Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

If you are making an appearance, you may do so (1) in person in the courtroom, unless the Court has been closed (check the Court's website for public notices), (2) via ZoomGov video, or (3) via ZoomGov telephone. For ZoomGov instructions for all matters on calendar, please see page 1 of the posted tentative rulings.

(1) Current issues

This Court has no issues to raise *sua sponte* at this time. The matter is under submission and, although this Court had anticipated issuing a written disposition prior to this hearing, additional, unforeseen circumstances arose which prevented this Court from issuing a written decision in advance of this hearing. This Court anticipates issuing a written disposition shortly.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

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Chapter 7

(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

Matters of venue, jurisdiction, and authority have been determined and/or waived or forfeited. See Answer (adv. dkt. 4) at ¶ 1 (p. 1:1) (admitting all the Complaint's allegations as to venue, jurisdiction, and authority).

(b) Mediation

An order assigning this matter to the mediation panel was entered on 1/28/25, see adv. dkt. 10, and the parties attended mediation before the Hon. Meredith Jury (retired) on 2/19/25, see Status Report (adv. dkt. 12) ¶ E(2) (p. 3). No further mediation is being ordered at this time.

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 7/29/24. Trial took place on 9/24/25 and 9/25/25 and the matter is under submission. The tentative ruling is to continue the status conference to 12/16/25 at 1:00 p.m. No written status report is required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

George Gordon Strong III

Represented By
Alan W Forsley

Defendant(s):

George Gordon Strong III

Represented By
Alan W Forsley

Plaintiff(s):

David Vosicher

Represented By
Stella A Havkin

Trustee(s):

John J Menchaca (TR)

Pro Se

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Adv#: 2:23-01152 Menlo, co-trustee of the Franklin Menlo Irrevocabl v. Klein

#2.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Complaint for Nondischargeability of Debt, and Denial of Discharge Under Bankruptcy Code sections 523, 727
fr. 4/8/25, 5/6/25, 9/23/25

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Continue the status conference as set forth below based on this Court's review of the Plaintiffs' unilateral status report and the related Steven's declaration (adv. dkt. 80 & 81). Appearances are not required on 12/2/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed Plaintiff's unilateral status report (adv. dkt. 80), the Stevens declaration (adv. dkt. 81) and the other filed documents and records in this adversary proceeding and has no issues to raise *sua sponte* at this time.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

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(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

Matters of venue, jurisdiction, and authority have been determined and/or waived or forfeited (adv. dkt. 45, p. 4 & 65, p. 4)

(b) Mediation

The tentative ruling is not to order mediation at this time.

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 5/11/23.

Pursuant to LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B), plaintiff is directed to lodge a proposed order via LOU within 7 days after the status conference, attaching a copy of this tentative ruling or otherwise memorializing the following.

Unilateral Status Report from Plaintiff: 2/24/26

Continued status conference: 3/10/26 at 2:00 p.m.

Tentative Ruling for 9/23/25:

Continue the status conference as set forth below based on this Court's review of the Plaintiffs' unilateral status report and the related Steven's declaration (adv. dkt. 74 & 75). Appearances are not required on 9/23/25. (If you wish to contest the tentative ruling, see the Posted Procedures of Judge Bason, available at www.cacb.uscourts.gov, then search for "tentative rulings.")

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(1) Current issues

This Court has reviewed Plaintiff's unilateral status report (adv. dkt. 74), the Stevens declaration (adv. dkt. 75) and the other filed documents and records in this adversary proceeding and has no issues to raise *sua sponte* at this time.

(2) Standard requirements

The following are Judge Bason's standard requirements for status

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conferences. (To the extent that the parties have already addressed these issues in their status report, they need not repeat their positions at the status conference.)

(a) Venue/jurisdiction/authority

Matters of venue, jurisdiction, and authority have been determined and/or waived or forfeited (adv. dkt. 45, p. 4 & 65, p. 4)

(b) Mediation

The tentative ruling is not to order mediation at this time.

(c) Deadlines

This adversary proceeding has been pending since 5/11/23.

Pursuant to LBR 9021-1(b)(1)(B), plaintiff is directed to lodge a proposed order via LOU within 7 days after the status conference, attaching a copy of this tentative ruling or otherwise memorializing the following.

Unilateral Status Report from Plaintiff: 11/18/25

Continued status conference: 12/2/25 at 2:00 p.m.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Leslie Klein

Pro Se

Defendant(s):

Leslie Klein

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Franklin Menlo, co-trustee of the

Represented By
Paul P Young
Nikko Salvatore Stevens
Armen Manasserian

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Trustee(s):

Bradley D. Sharp (TR)

Represented By

Jeffrey W Dulberg

Jeffrey N Pomerantz

John W Lucas

Jeffrey P Nolan

Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP

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Adv#: 2:23-01167 Sharp v. Klein et al

#3.00 Cont'd status conference re: Complaint for Avoidance and
Recovery of Fraudulent Transfer
fr. 4/8/25, 07/15/25, 9/23/25

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***** VACATED *** REASON: Dismissed. See adv. dkt. 142 & 144.**

Tentative Ruling:

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Leslie Klein	Pro Se
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Defendant(s):

Kenneth Klein	Represented By Simon Aron
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Shoshana Shrifa Klein	Represented By Simon Aron
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Kenneth Kolev Klein	Pro Se
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Plaintiff(s):

Bradley D. Sharp	Represented By Jeffrey W Dulberg Jeffrey P Nolan
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Trustee(s):

Bradley D. Sharp (TR)	Represented By Jeffrey W Dulberg Jeffrey N Pomerantz John W Lucas Jeffrey P Nolan Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP
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#4.00 Cont'd Status Conference re: Chapter 11 Case
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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for 12/2/25:

Appearances required.

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(1) Current issues

(a) Trustee's proposed distributions on account of approved interim professional fees

Trustee's latest status report (dkt. 1272) reports that the estate recently received \$809,290.00 in additional funds from the sale of real property in Jerusalem and that current funds on hand are approximately \$1,630,000.00. *Id.*, p. 2:1-5. In view of the foregoing, Trustee proposes to distribute funds on account of *already approved* unpaid interim fees (*id.*, p. 3:6-17) pursuant to the streamlined procedures previously approved by this Court. See Orders (dkt. 1115, 1116, 1117) (allowance of fees, subject to holdback) *and see also*, e.g., Order (dkt. 1249) (explaining 10% reduction in certain fees, on top of voluntary reductions).

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There is no tentative ruling. This Court will review any written responses filed in advance of the status conference and oral responses and replies at the status conference.

(b) Menlo v. Klein adversary proceeding (Adv. No. 2:23-ap-01152-NB)
Please see the tentative ruling for Cal. No. 2 (12/2/25 at 2:00 p.m.).

(2) Dates/procedures. This case was filed on 2/22/23 as a Subchapter V case. The petition was amended to remove the Subchapter V election and proceed as a chapter 11 case on 3/8/23. See dkt. 33, 37 & 43. On 5/17/23 this Court directed the appointment of a chapter 11 trustee (dkt. 142) and on 5/24/23 Bradley D. Sharp was appointed as trustee. Dkt. 151, 154, 155 & 156.

- (a) Bar date: 5/3/23 (see dkts. 10, 12 & 18)
- (b) Procedures Order: dkt. 950 (timely served, dkt. 953)
- (c) Plan/Disclosure Statement: file by 12/16/25 (DO NOT SERVE - except on the U.S. Trustee). See Procedures Order.
- (d) Continued status conference: 12/16/25 at 2:00 p.m., concurrent with other matters. No written status report required.

[PRIOR TENTATIVE RULING(S) OMITTED]

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Leslie Klein

Pro Se

Trustee(s):

Bradley D. Sharp (TR)

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Jeffrey N Pomerantz
John W Lucas
Jeffrey P Nolan
Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP