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### 2:12-15652 Dale Alfred Williams

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#1.00 Hearing re: Motion for entry of final decree and order closing the chapter 11 case

Docket 1520

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Order granting motion entered on 12/7/21-

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## **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The court issued a written ruling on the motion on the papers after dispensing with oral argument, taking the motion under submission and vacating the hearing. No appearances are necessary.

### **Party Information**

### **Debtor(s):**

Dale Alfred Williams Represented By

James E Till William N Lobel

Rika Kido

Leonard M Shulman Robert E Opera Minna C Yang Carl P Blaine Peter W Lianides

### **Movant(s):**

Dale Alfred Williams Represented By

James E Till
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William N Lobel
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Rika Kido
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**#2.00** Cont'd status conference re: Management of chapter 11 case fr. 4/7/21, 8/11/21, 8/18/21, 9/14/21, 11/17/21

Docket 1

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The court has granted debtor's motion for final decree and closure of the case, and there is no need for a status conference. However, the court is unable to close the case until debtor pays outstanding court costs of \$1,465. When the costs are paid, the court will direct the closure of the case. No appearances are required on 12/14/21

## **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Dale Alfred Williams Represented By

James E Till Mike D Neue William N. Lobel

Rika Kido

Leonard M Shulman

#### Movant(s):

Dale Alfred Williams Represented By

James E Till Mike D Neue William N. Lobel

Rika Kido

Leonard M Shulman

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2:18-10524 Fox Property Holdings, LLC

Chapter 11

#3.00 Cont'd status conference re: Management of chapter 11 case fr. 3/17/21, 5/19/21, 8/18/21, 10/20/21, 11/17/21

Docket 1

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/10/21. No tentative ruling on the merits. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

No tentative ruling as of 11/10/21. Appearances are required on 11/17/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

### **Party Information**

### **Debtor(s):**

Fox Property Holdings, LLC

Represented By Timothy J Yoo

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2:19-22559 **Eui Joon Park** 

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:20-01023 Brad D. Krasnoff, Chapter 7 Trustee v. Park

#4.00 Cont'd order to show cause why Man Sik Kim should not be held in contempt for failure to produce documents

fr. 4/27/21, 6/15/21

Docket 97

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Dismissed per stip & order entered on 8/11/21-mb.

## **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The order to show cause is moot because the adversary proceeding has been dismissed by stipulation for settlement. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

## **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Eui Joon Park Represented By

Young K Chang

**Defendant(s)**:

Young Joo Park Represented By

Anthony Obehi Egbase

Plaintiff(s):

Brad D. Krasnoff, Chapter 7 Trustee Represented By

Sonia Singh Zev Shechtman Michael G D'Alba

Trustee(s):

Brad D Krasnoff (TR)

Represented By

Zev Shechtman

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2:19-22559 **Eui Joon Park** 

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:20-01023 Brad D. Krasnoff, Chapter 7 Trustee v. Park

#5.00 Cont'd order to show cause why Eui Joon Park should not be held in contempt for failing to produce documents

fr. 3/16/21, 5/4/21, 6/15/21

Docket 36

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Dismissed per stip & order entered on 8/11/21-mb.

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The order to show cause is moot because the adversary proceeding has been dismissed by stipulation for settlement. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

### **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Eui Joon Park Represented By

Young K Chang

**Defendant(s):** 

Young Joo Park Represented By

Anthony Obehi Egbase

**Plaintiff(s):** 

Brad D. Krasnoff, Chapter 7 Trustee Represented By

Sonia Singh Zev Shechtman Michael G D'Alba

**Trustee(s):** 

Brad D Krasnoff (TR)

Represented By

Zev Shechtman Michael G D'Alba

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2:19-22559 **Eui Joon Park** 

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Adv#: 2:20-01023 Brad D. Krasnoff, Chapter 7 Trustee v. Park

#6.00 Cont'd order to show cause why Jin Suk Suh d/b/a S K Accountax Service should not be held in contempt for failure to produce documents fr. 4/27/21, 6/15/21

Docket 96

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Dismissed per stip & order entered on 8/11/21-mb.

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The order to show cause is moot because the adversary proceeding has been dismissed by stipulation for settlement. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

### **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Eui Joon Park Represented By

Young K Chang

**Defendant(s):** 

Young Joo Park Represented By

Anthony Obehi Egbase

**Plaintiff(s):** 

Brad D. Krasnoff, Chapter 7 Trustee Represented By

Sonia Singh Zev Shechtman Michael G D'Alba

**Trustee(s):** 

Brad D Krasnoff (TR)

Represented By

Zev Shechtman Michael G D'Alba

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**2:20-20799 Seung Hyeon Pak** 

Chapter 11

**#7.00** 

Hearing re: Application of Subchapter V Trustee for approval of fees and reimbursement of expenses, period: 12/30/2020 to 12/14/2021, fee: \$15,354.00,

expenses: \$37.45

Docket 133

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. In light of the lack of any timely written opposition to the final fee application of the Subchapter V Trustee, the court determines that oral argument on the final fee application is not necessary and dispenses with oral argument pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(j)(3). The court deems the lack of filing and service of a timely written opposition as consent to approval of the final fee application pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(f) and (h), rules on the final fee application on the papers, and approves the final fee application for the reasons stated in the final fee application and for lack of timely written opposition. No appearances are required on 12/14/21. Trustee to lodge a proposed order within 7 days of hearing.

### **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Seung Hyeon Pak Represented By

Anthony Obehi Egbase

**Trustee(s):** 

Gregory Kent Jones (TR) Pro Se

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**2:20-20799** Seung Hyeon Pak

Chapter 11

#8.00

Hearing re: Final application for compensation for legal services rendered and reimbursement of expenses for A.O.E. Law & Associates, APC, debtor's attorney, period: 7/1/2021 to 12/1/2021,

fee: \$13,245.00, expenses: \$267.72

Docket 131

#### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. In light of the lack of any timely written opposition to the final fee application of general bankruptcy counsel for the debtor in possession, the court determines that oral argument on the final fee application is not necessary and dispenses with oral argument pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(j)(3). The court deems the lack of filing and service of a timely written opposition as consent to approval of the final fee application pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(f) and (h), rules on the final fee application on the papers, and approves the final fee application for the reasons stated in the final fee application and for lack of timely written opposition. No appearances are required on 12/14/21. Applicant to lodge a proposed order within 7 days of hearing.

### **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Seung Hyeon Pak Represented By

Anthony Obehi Egbase

**Movant(s):** 

A.O.E. Law & Associates, APC Represented By

Anthony Obehi Egbase

Trustee(s):

Gregory Kent Jones (TR) Pro Se

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**2:18-11475** Catherine Trinh

Chapter 11

Adv#: 2:18-01209 Voong v. Trinh

**#9.00** Cont'd status conference re: Adversary complaint for declaratory relief fr. 12/15/20, 4/20/21, 6/2/21

Docket 1

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Cont'd from 12/14/21 to 4/5/22 at 1:30 p.m. per stip & order entered on 12/1/21-pp

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/10/21. Off calendar. Continued by stipulation and order to 4/5/22 at 1:30 p.m. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

Prior tentative ruling as of 6/1/21. The court has reviewed the corrected joint status report and will set a deadline of 6/30/21 for filing motions to join other parties or to amend pleadings, a deadline of 11/30/21 to complete discovery, a deadline of 12/15/21 for filing dispositive motions and a post-discovery status conference for 12/14/21 at 1:30 p.m. with a joint status report due on 12/7/21. The court will also order the parties to mediation, and the parties are to file a selection of a mediator and alternate by 7/30/21 and complete mediation by 12/14/21. Appearances are required on 6/2/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

Prior tentative ruling as of 4/13/21. No tentative ruling on the merits. The court wants to discuss with the parties as to whether it should proceed with the remaining unadjudicated claims in light of plaintiff's further interlocutory appeal to the Ninth Circuit on some claims. Appearances are required on 4/20/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

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**Debtor(s):** 

Catherine Trinh Represented By

Alan W Forsley

**Defendant(s):** 

Catherine Trinh Pro Se

**Plaintiff(s):** 

Kevin Voong Represented By

Dawn M Coulson

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2:19-15197 Anthony Robert Wafford

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:21-01102 Byrd v. Wafford et al

#10.00 Cont'd status conference re: Complaint to determine dischargeability of debt pursuant to 11 U.S.C. 523(a)(6) fr. 8/10/21

Docket 1

## **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/10/21. No tentative ruling on the merits. Since discovery cutoff date of 12/10/21 has been reached and the matter is not settled, the court will set the matter for pretrial conference and trial. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

Prior tentative ruling as of 8/9/21. Having reviewed the joint status report, the court tentatively sets the following pretrial schedule: (1) deadline of 9/7/21 to file motions to join other parties or to amend pleadings; (2) discovery completion deadline of 12/10/21; (3) deadline of 12/10/21 to file dispositive motions; (4) the matter is ordered to mediation, and parties to file a request for selection of a mediator and an alternate mediator on or before 9/7/21; (5) deadline of 12/10/21 to complete mediation; and (6) post-discovery status conference set for 12/14/21 at 1:30 p.m. Counsel for plaintiff to lodge a proposed scheduling order within 7 days of the status conference.

Appearances are required on 8/10/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

### **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Anthony Robert Wafford

Represented By
Winston Kevin McKesson

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**Defendant(s):** 

Tony Wafford Pro Se

The Palms Residential Care Facility Pro Se

Does 1 through 100 Pro Se

**Plaintiff(s):** 

Sharon Song Byrd Represented By

Jeffrey W Cowan

**Trustee(s):** 

Jason M Rund (TR) Pro Se

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2:19-22853 Arka Sangbarani Oroojian

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:20-01020 Yates v. Oroojian

#11.00 Cont'd status conference re: Complaint to determine dischargeability of debt pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §523 (a)(6); demand for jury trial fr. 5/5/20, 12/1/20, 4/27/21

Docket 1

## **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/13/21. The court has reviewed the joint status report stating that the trial in related state court litigation is continued to 7/15/22. No tentative ruling on the merits. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

Prior tentative ruling as of 4/21/21. No tentative ruling on the merits. The parties should report on the status of the related state court litigation. Appearances are required on 4/27/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

Prior tentative ruling as of 11/27/20. No tentative ruling on the merits. Appearances are required on 12/1/20, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear by telephone.

Prior updated and supplemental tentative ruling as of 5/4/20. After considering the supplemental briefing of the parties ordered by the court, the court provides the following as its supplemental tentative ruling to its tentative ruling of 5/1/20: The court will abstain from determining the underlying state law tort claims that plaintiff has against defendant pursuant to statutory permissive abstention under 28 U.S.C. 1334(c)(1) and nonstatutory abstention under Colorado River Water Conservation District v. United States, 424 U.S. 800 (1976). The factors that the court has considered for permissive abstention are set forth in In re Tucson Estates, Inc., 912 F.2d 1162, 1167 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1990): 1) the effect or lack thereof on the efficient administration of the

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estate if a Court recommends abstention (favoring abstension for lack of effect on efficient administration of the estate), (2) the extent to which state law issues predominate over bankruptcy issues (favoring abstention since plaintiff's tort claims are governed by state law), (3) the difficulty or unsettled nature of the applicable law (neutral since the applicable law is not difficult or unsettled), (4) the presence of a related proceeding commenced in state court or other nonbankruptcy court (favoring abstention, there is pending state law court action stayed by this bankruptcy case), (5) the jurisdictional basis, if any, other than 28 U.S.C. § 1334 (favoring abstention since the only basis for jurisdiction is the court's related to jurisdiction), (6) the degree of relatedness or remoteness of the proceeding to the main bankruptcy case (favoring abstention since the dispute in the adversary proceeding is remote to the main bankruptcy case), (7) the substance rather than form of an asserted "core" proceeding (favoring abstention because the underlying tort claims are noncore proceedings), (8) the feasibility of severing state law claims from core bankruptcy matters to allow judgments to be entered in state court with enforcement left to the bankruptcy court (favoring abstention, severance of state law claims to be tried in state court from the dischargeability claim can be accomplished), (9) the burden of [the bankruptcy court's] docket (favoring abstention, trying the tort claim would be burdensome on the bankruptcy court or district court's docket pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 157(b)(5)), (10) the likelihood that the commencement of the proceeding in bankruptcy court involves forum shopping by one of the parties (this factor is neutral as the court makes no determination of forum shopping), (11) the existence of a right to a jury trial (favoring abstention since the parties have the right to jury trial on the tort claims), and (12) the presence in the proceeding of nondebtor parties (not favoring abstention since the only parties to the dispute are before the court). Based on the overwhelming presence of factors favoring absention, the court exercises permissive abstention as to plaintiff's tort claims underlying her nondischargeability action.

The court also exercises nonstatutory Colorado River abstention as the factors for such abstention favor abstention because: (1) state law provides the rule of decision on the merits; (2) the state court proceeding is adequate to protect the parties' rights; and (3) the state court obtained and exercised jurisdiction first as the state court action was ready to go to trial before

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defendant filed his bankruptcy case, staying that action. In re Bellucci, 119 B.R. 763, 775-776 (Bankr. E.D. Cal. 1990) (citations omitted). "Under the Colorado River doctrine, a federal trial court has discretion in 'exceptional circumstances' and despite the general obligation to exercise jurisdiction, to stay or dismiss an action for reasonable of wise judicial administration solely because of parallel litigation in state court." Id. At 775 (citations omitted). Thus, the court abstains from hearing plaintiff's state law tort claims and stays this action until the state court determines those claims, and afterwards, the court will then determine plaintiff's debt dischargeability claims in this adversary proceeding.

In so abstaining, the court will also grant stay relief sua sponte to allow the state court action to proceed to judgment, but not permitting enforcement of any judgment against the debtor or property of the estate unless further stay relief is obtained by order of the court or by operation of statute. In re Belluci, 119 B.R. at 778-779; accord, In re Calkins, BAP No. AZ-17-1284-LBTa, 2019 WL 1594016 (9th Cir. BAP 2019), slip op. at \*4.

Prior tentative ruling as of 5/1/20. The court has reviewed the supplemental briefing of the parties regarding the court's prior tentative ruling on abstention and stay relief. No tentative ruling on the merits. Appearances are required on 5/5/20 to discuss whether further proceedings should be set, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear by telephone.

Revised tentative ruling as of 4/6/20. Having read the joint status report noting pending litigation in the state court to liquidate any alleged debt of defendant to plaintiff from alleged personal injuries based on tort, which is stayed by the underlying bankruptcy case, the court is inclined to abstain and grant stay relief to allow plaintiff's state court action to proceed to liquidate the debt, if any, either under mandatory or permissive abstention under 28 U.S.C. 1334(c)(1) or (2). See In re Tucson Estates, Inc., 912 F.2d 1162 (9th Cir. 1990). In this matter, plaintiff seeks a determination of debt dischargeability where the alleged debt based on personal injury torts has not been liquidated. Debt dischargeability cannot be determined until the liability for the debt has been determined and liquidated. The underlying tort liability is not pleaded in the adversary complaint, and it is unclear from the pleadings where the underlying tort liability should be tried and determined, i.e., whether in this

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adversary proceeding or in the state court proceeding, which is now stay by the bankruptcy case. One consideration is that any personal injury tort claims if not tried in state court must be tried in the district court in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 157(b)(4), though perhaps the parties could consent to this court so trying these claims. If the court abstains, the court would stay the pending adversary proceeding for dischargeability of debt pending the outcome of the state court tort litigation. The court intends to issue an order to show cause why this court should not abstain from hearing the unpled but underlying personal injury tort claims, but otherwise, retaining the debt dischargeability claim to be determined after the alleged debt liability has been determined. The court would consider the factors for persmissive abstention and stay relief in In re Tucson Estates, Inc., 912 F.2d at 1166-1167. In reviewing the status report, the court is of the view that the proposed pretrial and trial schedule is unrealistic, given the social turmoil from the current coronavirus pandemic and the need for extensive discovery proceedings relating to determination of the underlying alleged tort liability and the need for a trial of the personal injury tort claims in the district court if the court does not abstain. Appearances are required on 4/7/20, but counsel must appear by telephone.

#### **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Arka Sangbarani Oroojian Represented By

Roland H Kedikian

**Defendant(s)**:

Arka Sangbarani Oroojian Pro Se

**Plaintiff(s):** 

Rhianna Yates Represented By

Jesenia Martinez

Trustee(s):

Sam S Leslie (TR) Pro Se

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2:19-23548 Tarel Deshun Meeks

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Adv#: 2:21-01035 United States Trustee (LA) v. Meeks

#12.00 Cont'd status conference re: Complaint to revoke the debtor's discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§727(d)(1) and (2) fr. 4/27/21, 8/10/21, 11/9/21

Docket 1

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Cont'd from 12/14/21 to 2/8/22 at 1:30 p.m. per stip & order entered on 12/6/21-pp

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/10/21. Off calendar. Continued by stipulation and order to 2/8/22 at 1:30 p.m. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

Prior tentative ruling. The court has reviewed the joint status report and will set the following pretrial schedule: (1) deadline to file motion to add parties or amend pleadings, 5/28/21; (2) discovery cutoff date, 7/30/21; (3) deadline to file pretrial motions, 7/30/21; and (4) post-discovery status conference, 8/10/21 at 1:30 p.m. Plaintiff to lodge a proposed scheduling order within 7 days of hearing. Appearances are required on 4/27/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

#### **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Tarel Deshun Meeks Represented By

Scott Kosner

**Defendant(s):** 

Tarel Deshun Meeks Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

United States Trustee (LA) Represented By

Eryk R Escobar

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**Trustee(s):** 

Brad D Krasnoff (TR)

Represented By Eric P Israel

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2:19-24787 Bradley Edward Barnes

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:21-01227 Dye v. Barnes et al

#13.00 Status conference re: Removal of superior court action by plaintiff
Carolyn A. Dye, Chapter 7 trustee for the bankruptcy estate of Bradley
Edward and Allison Platz Barnes

Docket 1

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/10/21. The court has reviewed trustee's unilateral status report, stating that she intends to request the court to remand the removed action to state court. The court notes that trustee's notice of removal does not comply with FRBP 9027(a) because it is not "accompanied by a copy of all process and pleadings" so that the court is informed of what exactly is being removed. Trustee has not otherwise filed copies of the state court process and pleadings. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

#### **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Bradley Edward Barnes Represented By

Susan I Montgomery

**Defendant(s):** 

Brittany Barnes Pro Se

Bridget Barnes Pro Se

Brooke Barnes Pro Se

**Joint Debtor(s):** 

Allison Platz Barnes Represented By

Susan I Montgomery

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**Plaintiff(s):** 

Carolyn Dye Represented By

James A. Dumas Christian T Kim James A Dumas Jr

**Trustee(s):** 

Carolyn A Dye (TR) Represented By

James A Dumas Jr Christian T Kim Ann Chang

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2:20-21080 Orchid Child Productions, LLC

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Adv#: 2:21-01212 WHOSE DOG R U PRODUCTIONS, INC. v. Wolkowitz

#14.00 Status conference re: Complaint for declaratory relief and for injunctive, equitable relief relating thereto

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### **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated and supplemental tentative ruling as of 12/13/21. The court reschedules the status conference from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. after the court was advised by counsel for plaintiff that she has to appear in a hearing before another judge at 2:00 p.m. and it makes sense to continue the status conference to 2:30 p.m. to be conducted with other matters in the adversary proceeding rather than possibly advancing the other matters to 1:30 p.m. Counsel for plaintiff is requested to give notice of the rescheduling of the status conference to 2:30 p.m. Otherwise, the tentative ruling of 12/9/21 stands.

Prior tentative ruling as of 12/9/21. Upon further consideration of this adversary proceeding and other pending contested matters between the parties, the court is of the view that it should order these litigation matters to mediation under the court's mediation program before the parties have to litigate these various contested matters in the interests of conserving litigation resources. The court thinks that the parties might seriously consider asking Retired Bankruptcy Judge Jury to act as their mediator in this case. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

#### **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Orchid Child Productions, LLC

Represented By Sanaz Sarah Bereliani David B Lally

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**Defendant(s):** 

Edward M. Wolkowitz

Pro Se

**Plaintiff(s):** 

WHOSE DOG R U

Represented By Leslie A Cohen

**Trustee(s):** 

Edward M Wolkowitz (TR) Represented By

Gary E Klausner Carmela Pagay

Judge Robert Kwan, Presiding Courtroom 1675 Calendar

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

**Hearing Room** 

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2:17-23722 Kody Branch of California, Inc.

Chapter 7

#15.00

Hearing re: First and final fee application Of Terzian Law Group, a professional corporation, attorneys for debtor and debtor in possession; period: 5/29/2018 to 10/12/2018, Fee: \$75,033.74, expenses: \$1,156.58

Docket 490

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Cont'd from 12/14/21 to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. per order entered on 12/8/21-pp

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The court on its own motion continued the hearing to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. by order entered on 12/8/21. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

### **Party Information**

### **Debtor(s):**

Kody Branch of California, Inc.

Represented By

John-Patrick M Fritz

**Movant(s):** 

Kody Branch of California, Inc.

Represented By

John-Patrick M Fritz

Wesley H. Avery Represented By

Kristofer R McDonald Richard A Marshack D Edward Hays David Wood Jeffrey L Sumpter

Trustee(s):

Wesley H. Avery Represented By

Kristofer R McDonald Richard A Marshack D Edward Hays

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David Wood Jeffrey L Sumpter

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2:17-23722 Kody Branch of California, Inc.

Chapter 7

#16.00

Hearing re: First interim fee application for allowance of fees and costs by Marshack Hays LLP as general counsel, period: 10/4/2018 to 10/31/2021, Fee: \$255,404,

expenses: \$6,440.43

Docket 494

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Cont'd from 12/14/21 to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. per order entered on 12/8/21-pp.

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The court on its own motion continued the hearing to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. by order entered on 12/8/21. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

### **Party Information**

### **Debtor(s):**

Kody Branch of California, Inc. Represented By

John-Patrick M Fritz

**Trustee(s):** 

Wesley H Avery (TR) Represented By

D Edward Hays Richard A Marshack Kristofer R McDonald Jeffrey L Sumpter David Wood

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2:17-23722 Kody Branch of California, Inc.

Chapter 7

#17.00

Hearing re: First interim application by chapter 7 trustee for order approving payment of trustee compensation for the period of October 19, 2018, through and including November 22, 2021, fee: \$35,099.23, expenses: \$61.29

Docket 493

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Cont'd from 12/14/21 to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. per order entered on 12/8/21-pp.

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The court on its own motion continued the hearing to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. by order entered on 12/8/21. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

### **Party Information**

### **Debtor(s):**

Kody Branch of California, Inc. Represented By

John-Patrick M Fritz

**Trustee(s):** 

Wesley H Avery (TR) Represented By

D Edward Hays Richard A Marshack Kristofer R McDonald Jeffrey L Sumpter David Wood

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2:17-23722 Kody Branch of California, Inc.

Chapter 7

**#18.00** Hea

Hearing re: First interim application for compensation

of fees and expenses of Menchaca & Company LLP, Financial Advisor, Period: 6/2/2021 to 10/31/2021, Fee: \$41,594.00,

Expenses: \$0

Docket 486

\*\*\* VACATED \*\*\* REASON: Cont'd from 12/14/21 to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. per order entered on 12/8/21-pp.

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Off calendar. The court on its own motion continued the hearing to 1/18/22 at 2:30 p.m. by order entered on 12/8/21. No appearances are required on 12/14/21.

### **Party Information**

### **Debtor(s):**

Kody Branch of California, Inc.

Represented By

John-Patrick M Fritz

Movant(s):

Menchaca & Company LLP Represented By

Jeffrey L Sumpter

Trustee(s):

Wesley H. Avery Represented By

Kristofer R McDonald Richard A Marshack D Edward Hays David Wood Jeffrey L Sumpter

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2:20-21080 Orchid Child Productions, LLC

Chapter 7

#19.00

Order to show cause why Leslie Cohen Law, PC, counsel for creditor Whose Dog R U Productions, Inc., and its personnel, should not be sanctioned based on violations of Local Bankruptcy Rule 5005-2(d)

Docket 86

### **Tentative Ruling:**

The court has reviewed the declarations of counsel and her assistant, stating that the documents were served. The court did not receive them, and this is a continuing problem with documents from counsel for this party. To remedy the problem, the court will not impose sanctions against counsel and her assistant this time. However, the proofs of service for the documents lacked a suite number for chambers as required by the Court Manual, Appendix F, and the court directs counsel to put the full address of the presiding judge on any served documents, including the suite address. If the problem persists, the court will order counsel for this party to serve judge's copies of documents by trackable mail or delivery. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

## **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Orchid Child Productions, LLC Represented By

Sanaz Sarah Bereliani

David B Lally

**Trustee(s):** 

Edward M Wolkowitz (TR) Represented By

Gary E Klausner
Carmela Pagay

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Adv#: 2:21-01212 WHOSE DOG R U PRODUCTIONS, INC. v. Wolkowitz

#20.00 Order to show cause why Leslie Cohen Law, PC, counsel for creditor Whose Dog R U Productions, Inc., and its personnel, should not be sanctioned based on violations of Local Bankruptcy Rule 5005-2(d)

Docket 22

### **Tentative Ruling:**

The court has reviewed the declarations of counsel and her assistant, stating that the documents were served. The court did not receive them, and this is a continuing problem with documents from counsel for this party. To remedy the problem, the court will not impose sanctions against counsel and her assistant this time. However, the proofs of service for the documents lacked a suite number for chambers as required by the Court Manual, Appendix F, and the court directs counsel to put the full address of the presiding judge on any served documents, including the suite address. If the problem persists, the court will order counsel for this party to serve judge's copies of documents by trackable mail or delivery. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

#### **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Orchid Child Productions, LLC Represented By

Sanaz Sarah Bereliani

David B Lally

**Defendant(s):** 

Edward M. Wolkowitz Represented By

Carmela Pagay Gary E Klausner

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**Plaintiff(s):** 

WHOSE DOG R U Represented By

Leslie A Cohen

**Trustee(s):** 

Edward M Wolkowitz (TR) Represented By

Gary E Klausner Carmela Pagay

Judge Robert Kwan, Presiding Courtroom 1675 Calendar

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2:20-21080 Orchid Child Productions, LLC

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:21-01212 WHOSE DOG R U PRODUCTIONS, INC. v. Wolkowitz

#21.00 Cont'd hearing re: Motion for preliminary injunction

fr. 11/2/21, 12/7/21

Docket 2

## **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/9/21. Upon further consideration of this contested matter and other pending contested matters between the parties, the court is of the view that it should order these litigation matters to mediation under the court's mediation program before the parties have to litigate these various contested matters in the interests of conserving litigation resources. The court thinks that the parties might seriously consider asking Retired Bankruptcy Judge Jury to act as their mediator in this case. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

Prior tentative ruling as of 12/3/21 at 6:00 p.m. Off calendar. Continued to 12/14/21 at 2:00 p.m. on the court's own motion because movant's counsel, Leslie Cohen Law, PC, did not serve a judge's copy of the moving papers as required by LBR 5005-2(d) as indicated by the court's lack of the receipt of the papers. The matter will be heard in conjunction with the status conference in the adversary proceeding which will be called at the end of the 1:30 p.m. hearing calendar. The hearing will be further continued until movant's counsel complies with the rule. The court has issued an order to show cause why sanctions should not be imposed against movant's counsel for lack of compliance with LBR 5005-2(d). The proof of service of the moving papers shows service of a judge's copy, but the mailing address lacked a suite number, and it is possible that it was just not delivered by the postal service. However, the court has not received other papers from movant's counsel (e.g., movant's stay relief motion), which indicates actual lack of service. No appearances are required on 12/7/21.

### **Party Information**

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Chapter 7

**Debtor(s):** 

Orchid Child Productions, LLC Represented By

Sanaz Sarah Bereliani

David B Lally

**Defendant(s):** 

Edward M. Wolkowitz Pro Se

Movant(s):

WHOSE DOG R U Represented By

Leslie A Cohen

**Plaintiff(s):** 

WHOSE DOG R U Represented By

Leslie A Cohen

**Trustee(s):** 

Edward M Wolkowitz (TR) Represented By

Gary E Klausner Carmela Pagay

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### 2:20-21080 Orchid Child Productions, LLC

Chapter 7

#22.00 Cont'd hearing re: Chapter 7 trustee's motion for order establishing sale procedures for sale of estates right, title and interest to certain property of the estate fr. 10/5/21, 11/9/21, 12/7/21

Docket 42

### **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/9/21. Upon further consideration of this contested matter and other pending contested matters between the parties, the court is of the view that it should order these litigation matters to mediation under the court's mediation program before the parties have to litigate these various contested matters in the interests of conserving litigation resources. The court thinks that the parties might seriously consider asking Retired Bankruptcy Judge Jury to act as their mediator in this case. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

Prior tentative ruling as of 12/3/21 at 6:00 p.m. Off calendar. Upon further consideration of the moving and opposition papers pertaining to the trustee's sale procedures motion and the pending motions of creditor Whose Dog R U Productions, Inc., for stay relief and preliminary injunction, the court continues the further hearing on the trustee's sale procedures motion to 12/14/21 at 2:00 p.m. on its own motion because the matters are related and a ruling on one motion will have an impact on the other motions, and the court determines that the three motions should be heard and considered at the same time. No appearances are required on 12/7/21.

#### **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s):**

Orchid Child Productions, LLC

Represented By Sanaz Sarah Bereliani David Brian Lally

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**Trustee(s):** 

Edward M Wolkowitz (TR)

Represented By Gary E Klausner Carmela Pagay

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Chapter 7

#23.00 Cont'd hearing re: Motion for relief from stay

(Whose Dog R U Productions VS Debtor)

fr. 11/2/2, 12/7/21

Docket 62

## **Tentative Ruling:**

Updated tentative ruling as of 12/9/21. Upon further consideration of this contested matter and other pending contested matters between the parties, the court is of the view that it should order these litigation matters to mediation under the court's mediation program before the parties have to litigate these various contested matters in the interests of conserving litigation resources. The court thinks that the parties might seriously consider asking Retired Bankruptcy Judge Jury to act as their mediator in this case. Appearances are required on 12/14/21, but counsel and self-represented parties must appear through Zoom for Government in accordance with the court's remote appearance instructions.

Prior tentative ruling as of 12/3/21 at 6:00 p.m. Off calendar. Continued to 12/14/21 at 2:00 p.m. on the court's own motion because movant's counsel, Leslie Cohen Law, PC, did not serve a judge's copy of the moving papers as required by LBR 5005-2(d) as indicated by the court's lack of receipt of the papers. The hearing will be further continued until movant's counsel complies with the rule. The court has issued an order to show cause why sanctions should not be imposed against movant's counsel for lack of compliance with LBR 5005-2(d). The proof of service of the moving papers shows service of a judge's copy, but the mailing address lacked a suite number, and it is possible that it was just not delivered by the postal service. However, the court has not received other papers from movant's counsel (e.g., movant's preliminary injunction motion), which indicates actual lack of service. No appearances are required on 12/7/21.

#### **Party Information**

#### **Debtor(s)**:

Orchid Child Productions, LLC

Represented By

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Chapter 7

Sanaz Sarah Bereliani

David B Lally

**Movant(s):** 

WHOSE DOG R U Represented By

Michael J Plonsker Leslie A Cohen

**Trustee(s):** 

Edward M Wolkowitz (TR) Represented By

Gary E Klausner Carmela Pagay