

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In Re:)
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Amended Order Governing the)
Conduct of Hearings Due to)
Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19))

**AMENDED ORDER GOVERNING THE CONDUCT OF HEARINGS
DUE TO CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)**

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, in response to the threat of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and in response to guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control (“CDC”), the Bankruptcy Court entered its General Order (“General Order”) governing the conduct of all hearings, status conferences, trials and any other matters scheduled to be held in open court (“Court Hearings”).

WHEREAS, pursuant to the General Order, among other things, all Court Hearings that are not time sensitive were continued to a date to be determined on or after April 15, 2020.

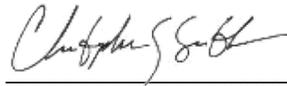
WHEREAS, at the time of entry of the General Order, the CDC had issued guidance for large events and mass gatherings, recommending that through March 31, 2020, organizers halt gatherings of 10 people or more due to the public health threat of COVID-19 and that events of any size should occur only if they can be carried out with adherence to guidelines for protecting vulnerable populations, including proper hand hygiene and adequate social distancing.

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, the President of the United States announced that the CDC’s guidance is extended through April 30, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby Ordered as follows:

1. This Order supersedes and replaces the General Order issued March 16, 2020.
2. All Court Hearings that are not time sensitive are continued to a date to be determined by the presiding judge on or after May 1, 2020.
3. The presiding judge shall determine on a case by case basis whether Court Hearings are time sensitive.

4. Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding judge, all Court Hearings that are held prior to May 1, 2020, shall be held telephonically and/or by video conference.
5. The manner of submitting evidence in telephonic and/or video conference Court Hearings held prior to May 1, 2020 shall be determined on a case by case basis by the presiding judge.
6. For the avoidance of doubt, the Chapter 13 confirmation hearings scheduled for April 27, 2020, and the Chapter 13 motions calendar scheduled for April 28, 2020, shall be held telephonically.



Christopher S. Sontchi
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

Dated: March 31, 2020