

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

In re:)
)
Order Assigning Certain Judges for)
Cases Under the Small Business)
Reorganization Act)

**AMENDED ORDER ASSIGNING CERTAIN JUDGES TO CASES
UNDER THE SMALL BUSINESS REORGANIZATION ACT**

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2020, the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019 (SBRA) became effective.

WHEREAS, under the SBRA, small business debtors—defined as entities with less than \$2,725,625 of debt that also meet other criteria—may voluntarily elect to proceed under subchapter V of chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the President of the United States signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The CARES Act increases the eligibility cap for businesses filing under subchapter V of chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code from \$2,725,625 of debt to \$7,500,000. On March 27, 2021, the President of the United States signed the COVID-19 Bankruptcy Relief Extension Act, which extended the term of the increased eligibility cap for one year. The eligibility cap will return to \$2,725,625 on March 28, 2022.

WHEREAS, the amendment of the SBRA contained in the CARES Act may result in a greater number of cases being filed in the District of Delaware under subchapter V of chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.


WHEREAS, the Bankruptcy Court finds that assigning cases under subchapter V of chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code to a select group of its Bankruptcy Judges will allow for the more efficient administration of justice and is in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. On its effective date, this Amended Order shall supersede and replace the Order Assigning Certain Judges to Cases Under the Small Business Reorganization Act entered March 27, 2020.
2. All cases under subchapter V of chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code shall be assigned to any of the following: Hon. Brendan Linehan Shannon, Hon. John T. Dorsey, Hon. J. Kate Stickles or Hon. Craig T. Goldblatt.

3. The case assignments shall be random and will proceed according to the Bankruptcy Court's normal internal procedures.

4. This Order shall become effective on May 3, 2021 and shall remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court.



Christopher S. Sontchi
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

Dated: April 26, 2021