UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE REGARDING SCHEDULE FOR CHAPTER 13 CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE PHILLIP J. SHEFFERLY

On November 18, 2019, the Court entered an administrative order that provided for the reassignment of Judge McIvor's cases to the other bankruptcy judges in Detroit. On December 27, 2019, the Court amended that order to provide for the reassignment of all of Judge McIvor's Chapter 13 cases to Judge Shefferly. In the past, Judge Shefferly has been assigned some Chapter 13 cases in which Krispen Carroll ("Carroll") is the trustee, and other Chapter 13 cases in which David Ruskin ("Ruskin") is the trustee. Going forward, Judge Shefferly will continue to have two separate dockets: one for Carroll cases, and another for Ruskin cases. This notice is issued to provide information about the scheduling of Judge Shefferly's Chapter 13 cases beginning January 1, 2020.

Hearings in Carroll cases assigned to Judge Shefferly

Historically, Judge Shefferly has always heard his Chapter 13 cases on Tuesday, and has alternated a Tuesday docket each week between Carroll cases and Ruskin cases. Going forward, Judge Shefferly will continue to hear all of his Carroll cases on Tuesdays, beginning with the January 14, 2020 docket, then the January 28,

2020 docket, and continuing every other week thereafter. Consistent with current practices, the hearings on those days will be scheduled at three separate times: 9:00, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. Again consistent with current practices, Carroll will continue to use the 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. attorney time slots posted on the Court's website to conduct status conferences in the courtroom, and Judge Shefferly will take the bench at 11:30 a.m. to hear the contested cases.

<u>Hearings during January and February, 2020 in Ruskin cases already</u> assigned to Judge Shefferly

Judge Shefferly will continue to hear a Tuesday docket of Ruskin cases, but only during January and February. These dockets will consist of hearings in those Ruskin cases that were already assigned to Judge Shefferly prior to the reassignment of Judge McIvor's cases to Judge Shefferly. There will be four more of these Ruskin Tuesday dockets: January 7 and 21, and February 4 and 18, 2020. Consistent with current practices, the hearings on those four dates will be scheduled at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. Again consistent with current practices, Ruskin will continue to use the 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. attorney time slots that were previously set on those dates to conduct status conferences in the courtroom, and Judge Shefferly will take the bench at 11:30 a.m. to hear the contested cases.

<u>Hearings during January and February, 2020 in Ruskin cases reassigned from</u> Judge McIvor to Judge Shefferly

Judge McIvor had already scheduled her regular docket of Ruskin cases on Thursdays during the months of January and February. There are four such dockets: January 16 and 30, and February 13 and 27, 2020. Judge Shefferly will keep those dockets on those dates with the attorney time slots that were previously set on those dates by Judge McIvor: status conferences at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. On those four dates, the only changes to the schedule set by Judge McIvor are that the hearings will all be held in Courtroom 1975, Judge Shefferly's courtroom, and Judge Shefferly will take the bench to hear the contested cases at 1:00 p.m.

Hearings after March 1, 2020 in Ruskin cases

After March 1, 2020, Judge Shefferly will no longer hold hearings in Ruskin cases on Tuesdays. All of Judge Shefferly's hearings in Ruskin cases after that date will be held only on Thursdays, beginning with a docket on March 5, 2020 and continuing every other Thursday thereafter. Hearings on those dates will be set at the 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. attorney time slots posted on the Court's website, with Judge Shefferly taking the bench to hear contested cases at 1:00 p.m.

Summary

Judge Shefferly's Carroll docket will continue on Tuesdays and remain the same.

Judge Shefferly's Ruskin docket will change greatly. During January and

February, 2020, Judge Shefferly will hold hearings in Ruskin cases on some

Tuesdays and Thursdays, but after March 1, 2020, will only hear Ruskin cases on

Thursdays.

After March 1, 2020, because Judge Shefferly's Carroll docket will be smaller

than his Ruskin docket, Judge Shefferly will hear contested Carroll cases at

11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays, but will hear contested Ruskin cases on Thursdays at

1:00 p.m.

Revised attorney time slots for Judge Shefferly's Chapter 13 cases are now

posted on the Court's website.

To avoid confusion going forward, attorneys must always carefully check the

hearing dates and times on the notices of hearing that they receive from the Court.

KATHERINE B. GULLO **CLERK OF COURT**

Dated: January 2, 2020

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