



The United States Bankruptcy Court
for the Western District of Michigan

Notice Re: Special Accommodations Relating to COVID-19 Concerns
for Chief Judge Dales's Motion Day
in Lansing, Michigan on August 13, 2020

In response to the current health concerns about COVID-19, guidance from public health authorities and Governor Whitmer's Executive Orders, Chief Judge Dales requires all litigants to participate in the **August 13, 2020 Lansing Motion Day** by telephone using his designated toll-free conference line. **The courtroom will be closed**, and all parties and members of the public who wish to participate in the motion day, or observe it, must do so by telephone, in accordance with the following procedures. Please do not use a cell phone unless it is reliable.

In addition, the court and the chapter 13 trustee will liberally adjourn hearings to accommodate concerns about public health and individual needs associated with COVID-19. The court assumes other panel trustees and other members of the bar will be similarly flexible about scheduling. Parties seeking adjournment of a matter should first contact their trustees or opposing parties to request adjournment. A litigant may request adjournment by calling Kathy Trapp at (616) 456-2905 after consulting (or attempting to consult) with others who would be affected by the adjournment. Near the close of business on the day before each motion day, the court will post on its website (under the calendar tab) a PDF calendar showing matters that have been adjourned or withdrawn or for which no appearance is required. On the 9:15 AM calendar, the label "CONFIRMED" indicates only that the Trustee is recommending confirmation.

PHONE HEARING INSTRUCTIONS

- **Refrain from using cell phones unless the connection is clear and reliable**
- **Call (888) 273-3658 and reference Access Code 5199125# at least 5 minutes before your hearing**
- **When your matter is called, Press *6 to unmute your line**
- **When your matter is finished, Press *6 to mute your line while waiting for another hearing, or hang-up to disconnect**
- **Please call Chief Judge Dales's Judicial Assistant ((616) 456-2949) or Court Deputy ((616) 456-2905) with questions or to resolve access problems**
- **In keeping with Judicial Conference policy, private recording of the proceedings is forbidden**

SCOTT W. DALES
Chief Judge

MICHELLE M. WILSON
Clerk of Court

Dated: August 7, 2020