

## **Requests for Expedited Relief or to Shorten Notice before Honorable Guy R. Humphrey**

The court reminds counsel that all requests for an expedited hearing or to shorten the notice time (“motion for expedited relief”) must comply with [Local Bankruptcy Rule 9073-1](#) and [General Order No. 12](#). The court will review the motion for expedited relief and only grant such request in the event the court concludes that such relief is warranted. Absent extraordinary circumstances, the court will not grant an expedited hearing or shorten the notice period to less than seven (7) days.

**Hearing Request.** In the event an expedited hearing is required, counsel must contact the judge’s Courtroom Deputy to obtain a date and time for the expedited hearing. Failure to promptly contact the court to request an expedited hearing when necessary may constitute a basis to deny such a request.

**Noticing of Merit Motion and Motion for Expedited Relief.** Pursuant to General Order 12, the merit motion should always include the 21 day notice provided for by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1. However, best practice would be to indicate in the 21 day notice that a separate motion seeking to shorten the notice period has been filed and identify the number of days of the proposed notice period. The motion for expedited relief should **not** include a notice.

**Service and Certificate of Service.** In addition to service by United States first class mail, all motions for expedited relief, which seek to shorten the notice period to 10 days or less, must be promptly served with the merit motion or application upon all parties directly affected by the merit motion by email, facsimile, or overnight delivery service unless the movant is unable to locate an email or physical address or facsimile number for the affected party after reasonable diligence is exercised. If counsel for a directly affected party has filed a notice of appearance, that counsel may be served instead of the party, except in the case of a debtor who also must be served. Counsel for the movant shall promptly file a certificate of service evidencing such service.

**Order on Motion for Expedited Relief.** The proposed order granting the motion for expedited relief must be uploaded concurrently with the motion for expedited relief and, if granted, served by counsel in the same manner as the motion for expedited relief. Failure to submit a proposed order concerning a motion for expedited relief with the motion seeking expedited relief may constitute a basis to deny such a request.