

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

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In re:

GENERAL ORDER #32-1

ORDER CLARIFYING THE STATUS OF  
MATTERS AFFECTED BY GENERAL ORDER 31-1

General Order 31-1, entered on December 28, 2018, in response to the federal government shutdown that began on December 22, 2018, suspended certain bankruptcy matters involving the United States of America or any of its agencies. Specifically, General Order 31-1 provides:

Effective immediately, the following matters are suspended, postponed and held in abeyance from the date of entry of this Order until appropriations are restored:

1. all hearings involving any claim, lien or other interest of the United States of America or any of its agencies;
2. all current deadlines (whether established by order, rule, or agreement) in matters involving a claim, lien or other interest of the United States of America or any of its agencies; and
3. all adversary proceedings to which the United States of America or any of its agencies is a party.

Appropriations are now restored. On January 25, 2019, the passage of a continuing resolution funded the federal judiciary's operations through February 15, 2019.

To clarify the status of matters affected by General Order 31-1, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. Effective immediately, the response period for the United States of America or any of its agencies to file a responsive filing in any contested matter, or pleading in any adversary proceeding is hereby reset in all instances in which the response period had not already expired when the federal government shutdown began on December 22, 2018 ("Shutdown Date"). Examples: If the Shutdown Date fell within a thirty-day response period, then the United States of America or any of its agencies will receive an additional thirty days from the entry of this General Order to respond. If the Shutdown Date fell within a twenty-one-day response period, then the United States of America or any of its agencies will receive an additional twenty-one days from the entry of this General Order to respond. If the Shutdown Date fell within a reduced response period (e.g., ten days), then the United States of America or any of its agencies will receive the entire reduced response period (e.g., ten days), starting from the entry of this General Order, to respond.

2. The proof of claim bar date and administrative expense bar date for the United States of America or any of its agencies is tolled in all instances in which the bar date had not already expired prior to the Shutdown Date. These bar dates are extended for a period of the later of forty (40) days from the original bar date or forty (40) days from the entry date of this Order, representing the period from the Shutdown Date to the entry of this General Order.

3. All cancelled hearings involving any claim, lien or other interest of the United States of America or any of its agencies will be rescheduled.

4. The stay of all adversary proceedings to which the United States of America or any of its agencies is a party is terminated. All cancelled hearing dates and trial dates will be rescheduled.

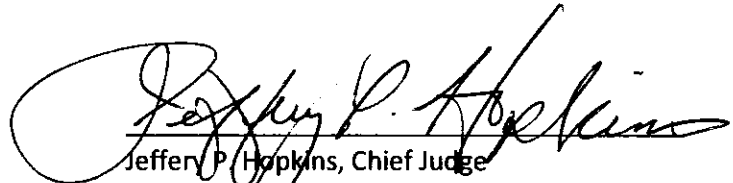
As stated in General Order 31-1, this General Order does not affect rights to or deadlines concerning appeal from any decision of this Court.

Any litigant affected by this General Order may seek relief from or clarification of the impact of this General Order by motion. The Court may, in any particular case, vary the effect or operation of this General Order by a separate ruling.

The Court shall distribute this General Order by electronic service to all registered CM/ECF users and by posting the General Order on the Court's public website.

Dated: January 30, 2019

For the Court:

  
Jeffery P. Hopkins, Chief Judge  
United States Bankruptcy Court  
Southern District of Ohio