

LOCAL RULE 3003-1: PROOFS OF CLAIM OR INTEREST IN CHAPTER 11 CASES

~~Proofs of claim or interest of nongovernmental entities required or permitted to be filed under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3003(c) must be filed not later than ninety (90) days after the first date set for the § 341 meeting of creditors, and such proofs of claim or interest of governmental entities must be filed within one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the order for relief, e~~ Except as otherwise specified in the Bankruptcy Code or Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure or ordered by the Court, the deadline for the filing of a proof of claim or interest in Chapter 11 cases is as follows:. ~~A request to extend the times provided for by this local rule must be filed before the expiration of the time.~~

- a. **Governmental Entity.** In all chapter 11 cases, a proof of claim or interest by a governmental entity must be filed within one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the order for relief.
- b. **Non-Governmental Entity.** A proof of claim or interest by a non-governmental entity required or permitted to be filed under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3003(c) must be filed not later than:
 - 1. **Subchapter V Cases.** Seventy (70) days after the date of the order for relief under that chapter.
 - 2. **Other Chapter 11 Cases.** Ninety (90) days after the first date set for the § 341 meeting of creditors.

Notes:

(2026) The rule was amended to differentiate between the shorter deadline to file a nongovernmental proof of claim in Chapter 11 cases under Subchapter V as opposed to other Chapter 11 cases.

LOCAL RULE 3015-5: CHAPTER 13- DISCHARGE

In addition to the requirements of [SC LBR 9013-4](#), the provisions and forms set forth herein apply upon the completion of chapter 13 plan payments:.

a. **Discharge Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1328(a).**

1. -Within 45 days after the debtor completes all payments due to the trustee under a chapter 13 plan, the trustee shall:
 - i. File the Report of Completion of All Payments Due to the Trustee Under Chapter 13 Plan;
 - ii. File and serve on the debtor and debtor's attorney the [Notice to Debtor of Completion of All Payments Due to the Trustee Under Chapter 13 Plan](#) and [Requirement to File Certification of Plan Completion](#); and
 - iii. If applicable, file and serve on the creditor, debtor, and debtor's attorney the [Trustee's Notice of Disbursements Made pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3002.1\(g\)\(1\)](#).
2. Within twenty-eight (28) days after the trustee serves the Notice to Debtor of Completion of All Payments Due to the Trustee Under Chapter 13 Plan and Requirement to File Certification of Plan Completion, the debtor shall:
 - i. File and serve on all creditors a [Notice of Certification of Plan Completion](#); and
 - ii. ~~File a Certificate of Completion of Financial Management Course, if not previously filed.~~
3. ~~The Court will issue a discharge or close the case without a discharge a~~After resolution of any issues raised by subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2), ~~above and any~~ issues raised in a motion filed under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3002.1(g)(4), ~~and the filing of a Certificate of Completion of Financial Management Course in accordance with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 5009(b)~~the Court will issue a discharge or close the case without a discharge, as warranted.

b. **Discharge Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1328(b).** The debtor may request a hardship discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1328(b) as follows:

1. File and serve on all creditors a motion and [Notice of Hearing and Certification of Eligibility](#); and
2. File a certificate of completion of a Financial Management Course or motion for waiver or exemption of this requirement, if applicable.

Notes:

(2021) Paragraphs (a)(3) and (b)(3) were removed. The duty to file a certificate of service is covered by SC LBR 9013-3.

(2025) The rule was revised to clarify the requirements for requesting a discharge under 11 U.S.C. § 1328(a) and a hardship discharge under 11 U.S.C. § 1328(b).

~~(2026) Paragraph (a) of the rule was revised to conform with amendments to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 5009 concerning the protocol requiring the Clerk's Office to notice debtors of the requirement to complete a financial management course.~~

LOCAL RULE 5073-1: PHOTOGRAPHY, RECORDING DEVICES, AND BROADCASTING

- a. **Prohibition Against Camera, Video, Transmitter, Receiver, and Recording Equipment.** Absent a Court order directing otherwise, no camera, video, transmitter, receiver, or recording equipment may be brought into the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of South Carolina at any of its locations or utilized while listening to or appearing for matters remotely.
- b. **Exemptions from Prohibition.**
 1. Use of such equipment by an authorized representative of the Court for an official purpose;
 2. Use of the Court's videoconferencing system by an authorized representative of the Court to permit the judge to conduct proceedings from or to a remote location;
 3. Use of such equipment during ceremonial proceedings with the express permission of the Court and under the supervision of the Court;
 4. A device required because of a person's disability; and
 5. As otherwise permitted by a judge of the Court.
- c. **Wireless Communication Devices.**

Wireless Communication Devices (such as laptop computers, cell phones, PDAs, tablet computers, and other wireless devices) are allowed in the courthouse locations, ~~excluding Greenville,~~¹ under the following terms and conditions:

1. Wireless Communication Devices may be brought into the courthouse locations by an attorney (or support staff accompanying the attorney). Litigants, witnesses, *pro se* parties, members of the media, and the public may bring wireless communication devices into the courthouse only in connection with a hearing or trial and only with the prior authorization of the presiding judge. All Wireless Communication Devices are subject to security screening.
2. All Wireless Communication Devices must be programmed or rendered to be inaudible upon entering a courtroom or areas adjacent to a courtroom or judicial chambers.
3. Any party bringing a Wireless Communication Device into the United States Bankruptcy Court shall use the device only for purposes of evidence presentation, research, electronic mailing, note taking, communication, and scheduling in connection with a matter pending before the Court and other legitimate business purposes. Under no circumstances may a device be used to conduct broadcasting,² televising, recording, or photographing in any courthouse location.
4. Use is permitted only to the extent that it does not interfere with judicial proceedings or with the ability of the public to observe proceedings. A presiding judge may order the discontinuance of the use of such Wireless Communication Devices at any time.

Notes:

~~¹The policy of the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina governs wireless communication devices for the Greenville Division.~~

² Broadcasting is construed in the broadest sense and includes commentary about court proceedings on the internet or to a third party.

(2022) Changed the Court's location from Spartanburg to Greenville.

(2023) Paragraph (a) was amended to include remote appearances.

(2026) Paragraph (c) was amended to remove reference to the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina's policy for the Greenville location.

LOCAL RULE 5075-1: DELEGATION OF NOTICING AND SERVICE OF ORDERS

In addition to notice delegated by [SC LBR 6004-1](#) and [9013-4](#), and any other Local Rule or authority, and pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002, ~~and~~ 3019, ~~and~~ [7005](#), noticing and service of notices¹ and orders are delegated as follows. Parties to be served are included in italics.

a. **Chapter 11.** Service and noticing of the following documents are delegated to the plan proponent:

1. Order and notice setting disclosure statement hearing (*Mailing Matrix*);
2. Order approving disclosure statement and setting confirmation hearing (*Mailing Matrix*);
3. Notice of time fixed for filing objections and, if an objection is filed, the hearing to consider a proposed modification to plan pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1127(e) (*Mailing Matrix*).

b. **Chapter 12.** Service and noticing of the following documents are delegated to the debtor:

1. Service of any [chapter 12 plan](#) or amended or modified plan, any embedded motions, exhibits, and notice of time for filing objections, as further specified in [SC LBR 2082-1](#) (*Mailing Matrix*);
2. Notice of the pre-confirmation conference pursuant to [SC LBR 2082-1\(e\)](#) (*Mailing Matrix*);
3. Notice of confirmation hearing (*Mailing Matrix*);
4. Order declaring secured claim satisfied/lien avoided pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 5009(d) (*Affected Party, Trustee, UST*).

c. **Chapter 13.** Service and noticing of the following documents are delegated to the debtor:

1. Order on a consensual motion to modify a mortgage (*Mortgage Creditor, Trustee*);
2. Order declaring secured claim satisfied/lien avoided pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 5009(d) (*Affected Party, Trustee*).

d. **All Chapters.** Service and noticing of the following documents are delegated as specified below:

1. Order on motion confirming the termination of the automatic stay to the movant (*Debtor, Debtor's Counsel, Trustee*);
2. Notice of a hearing on an Application for Payment of Unclaimed Funds, if an objection is filed pursuant to [SC LBR 3011-1\(f\)](#), to the applicant (*Debtor, Trustee, Objecting Parties, UST*);
3. Notice required pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3004 to the party filing the proof of claim (*Holder of the Claim, Debtor, Debtor's Counsel, Trustee*);
4. Notice of a hearing on a Request for Tax Information, if an objection is filed pursuant to [SC LBR 6070-1](#), to the applicant (*Debtor, Trustee, Objecting Parties, UST*);

¹ Where a notice requires scheduling or a deadline, the noticing party shall contact a Courtroom Deputy for the applicable date if the matter is outside of the scope of [SC LBR 9013-4](#).

5. Notice of hearing and order on a motion for expedited, emergency, or temporary relief or to shorten the time period to object to the movant (*As Ordered by the Court*);
6. Order on application for employment to the applicant (*Debtor, Debtor's Counsel, Trustee*);
7. Order on motion or application for Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2004 examination to the movant or applicant (*Party to be Examined, Debtor, Debtor's Counsel, Trustee, UST*); and
8. Any other order or notice the Court or the Clerk's Office specifically delegates.

~~8-9.~~ In adversary proceedings, motions, notices, and orders to movant (*Parties entitled to service*).

Notes:

(2023) Paragraph (a) was amended to remove ballots to the plan proponent and notices required under former SC LBR 2081-2.

(2025) Wording in the rule was changed to clarify the party to whom service is delegated, but no substantive changes were made to the rule.

(2026) Paragraph (d) was amended to delegate service of various items in adversary proceedings