

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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03/12/25 U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN RE:

CASE ASSIGNMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

TAKE NOTICE that the judges of the Court have adopted the following case assignments effective on or about June 10, 2025.

1. Charleston Division

- a. Chapter 11 cases¹ are randomly assigned to Judge L. Jefferson Davis, IV or Judge Elisabetta G.M. Gasparini.
- b. Judge Davis will retain currently assigned Chapter 7 cases filed before June 10, 2025. Chapter 7 cases filed on or after June 10, 2025, are randomly assigned to Judge Davis or Judge Gasparini.
- c. All other Charleston Division cases are assigned to Judge Davis.
- d. Judge Davis and Judge Gasparini are assigned conflict cases as appropriate.

2. Greenville Division

- a. Judge Helen E. Burris is assigned all Chapter 7 and 13 cases.
- b. Chapter 11 cases are randomly assigned to Judge Burris or Judge Gasparini.
- c. Judge Burris and Judge Gasparini are assigned conflict cases as appropriate.

3. Columbia Division

- a. Judge Davis is assigned all Chapter 13 cases from Aiken, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, Chester, Darlington, Dillon, Edgefield, Lancaster, Lee, Marion, or Richland Counties (this constitutes counties where Chapter 13 cases are assigned

¹ The term "cases" excludes miscellaneous proceedings filed or pending in this Court.

to Trustee Mathews).

- b. Judge Gasparini is assigned all Chapter 13 cases from Chesterfield, Fairfield, Florence, Kershaw, Lexington, Marlboro, Newberry, Orangeburg, Saluda, or Sumter Counties (this constitutes counties where Chapter 13 cases are assigned to Trustee Hardesty).
 - c. Chapter 11 cases are randomly assigned to Judge Gasparini, Judge Burris, or Judge Davis.
 - d. All other Columbia Division cases are assigned to Judge Gasparini.
 - e. Judge Gasparini and Judge Davis are assigned conflict cases as appropriate.
4. **Miscellaneous Proceedings – All Divisions.** Miscellaneous Proceedings, defined as filings with the Court that do not fit squarely within the descriptions set forth above, or that are filed in a manner that is insufficient to constitute the filing of a petition under any chapter of the Bankruptcy Code, are assigned or directed to Judge Davis unless there is a conflict, in which case, they are randomly assigned to Judge Gasparini or Judge Burris.
5. **Cases Filed Prior to June 10, 2025.** Except as otherwise stated above and absent a conflict or other cause, cases filed prior to the effective date of this Administrative Order are reassigned as indicated in 1 – 4 above.
6. **Judicial Discretion.** By agreement, on a case-by-case basis, or by category (including Chapters 9 and 15 cases), the judges may vary from this assignment as necessary to carry out the work of the Court. Upon request of the presiding judge, another judge of this Court may take action, conduct hearings, and make determinations on matters assigned to another judge as necessary, which shall be effective and binding on the parties.

The judges will review assignments as needed, and at least annually, to ensure a fair division of work, and shall also consider factors such as non-case related work, administrative responsibilities, geography, etc.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this 12th day of March, 2025.

/s/ Helen E. Burris
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge
District of South Carolina