

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Eastern District of California

Honorable Michael S. McManus

Bankruptcy Judge

Sacramento, California

August 20, 2018 at 2:00 a.m.

1. 14-26424-A-13 KAROLYN MOTION TO
JPJ-2 JOHNSON-LOUDERMILK DISMISS CASE
7-5-18 [49]

Final Ruling: This motion to dismiss the case has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(1). The failure of the debtor and the trustee to file written opposition at least 14 days prior to the hearing as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(1)(ii) is considered as consent to the granting of the motion. Cf. Ghazali v. Moran, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the moving party, an actual hearing is unnecessary. See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo), 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the defaults of the above-mentioned parties in interest are entered and the matter will be resolved without oral argument.

The motion will be granted and the case dismissed.

The trustee's Notice of Filed Claims was filed and served on February 11, 2015 as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3007-1(d). That notice advised the debtor of all claims filed by creditors. Given the claims filed and their amounts, it will take 91 months to pay the dividends promised by the confirmed plan. The confirmed plan specifies that it must be completed within 60 months, the maximum plan duration permitted by 11 U.S.C. § 1322(d).

The debtor failed to reconcile the plan with the claims, either by filing and serving a motion to modify the plan to provide for all claims within the maximum duration permitted by section 1322(d), or by objecting to claims. This is required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3007-1(d)(5) which provides: "If the Notice of Filed Claims includes allowed claims that are not provided for in the chapter 13 plan, or that will prevent the chapter 13 plan from being completed timely, the debtor shall file a motion to modify the chapter 13 plan, along with any valuation and lien avoidance motions not previously filed, in order to reconcile the chapter 13 plan and the filed claims with the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code. These motions shall be filed and served no later than ninety (90) days after service by the trustee of the Notice of Filed Claims and set for hearing by the debtor on the earliest available court date." See In re Kincaid, 316 B.R. 735 (Bankr. E.D. Cal. 2004).

The time to modify the plan under Local Bankruptcy Rule 3007-1(d)(5) has expired. This material breach of the plan is cause for dismissal. See 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(6).

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