UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Eastern District of California

Honorable Michael S. McManus Bankruptcy Judge Sacramento, California

January 26, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.

THIS CALENDAR IS DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS. THEREFORE, TO FIND ALL MOTIONS AND OBJECTIONS SET FOR HEARING IN A PARTICULAR CASE, YOU MAY HAVE TO LOOK IN BOTH PARTS OF THE CALENDAR. WITHIN EACH PART, CASES ARE ARRANGED BY THE LAST TWO DIGITS OF THE CASE NUMBER.

THE COURT FIRST WILL HEAR ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10. A TENTATIVE RULING FOLLOWS EACH OF THESE ITEMS. THE COURT MAY AMEND OR CHANGE A TENTATIVE RULING BASED ON THE PARTIES' ORAL ARGUMENT. IF <u>ALL</u> PARTIES AGREE TO A TENTATIVE RULING, THERE IS NO NEED TO APPEAR FOR ARGUMENT. HOWEVER, IT IS INCUMBENT ON EACH PARTY TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER ALL OTHER PARTIES WILL ACCEPT A RULING AND FOREGO ORAL ARGUMENT. IF A PARTY APPEARS, THE HEARING WILL PROCEED WHETHER OR NOT ALL PARTIES ARE PRESENT. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE HEARING, THE COURT WILL ANNOUNCE ITS DISPOSITION OF THE ITEM AND IT MAY DIRECT THAT THE TENTATIVE RULING, AS ORIGINALLY WRITTEN OR AS AMENDED BY THE COURT, BE APPENDED TO THE MINUTES OF THE HEARING AS THE COURT'S FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW.

IF A MOTION OR AN OBJECTION IS SET FOR HEARING PURSUANT TO LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 3015-1(c), (d) [eff. May 1, 2012], GENERAL ORDER 05-03, ¶ 3(c), LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 3007-1(c)(2)[eff. through April 30, 2012], OR LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 9014-1(f)(2), RESPONDENTS WERE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE WRITTEN OPPOSITION TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED. RESPONDENTS MAY APPEAR AT THE HEARING AND RAISE OPPOSITION ORALLY. IF THAT OPPOSITION RAISES A POTENTIALLY MERITORIOUS DEFENSE OR ISSUE, THE COURT WILL GIVE THE RESPONDENT AN OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN OPPOSITION AND SET A FINAL HEARING UNLESS THERE IS NO NEED TO DEVELOP THE WRITTEN RECORD FURTHER. IF THE COURT SETS A FINAL HEARING, UNLESS THE PARTIES REQUEST A DIFFERENT SCHEDULE THAT IS APPROVED BY THE COURT, THE FINAL HEARING WILL TAKE PLACE ON FEBRUARY 23, 2015 AT 1:30 P.M. OPPOSITION MUST BE FILED AND SERVED BY FEBRUARY 9, 2015, AND ANY REPLY MUST BE FILED AND SERVED BY FEBRUARY 9, 2015, AND ANY REPLY MUST BE FILED AND SERVED BY FEBRUARY 17, 2015. THE MOVING/OBJECTING PARTY IS TO GIVE NOTICE OF THE DATE AND TIME OF THE CONTINUED HEARING DATE AND OF THESE DEADLINES.

THERE WILL BE NO HEARING ON ITEMS 11 THROUGH 28 IN THE SECOND PART OF THE CALENDAR. INSTEAD, THESE ITEMS HAVE BEEN DISPOSED OF AS INDICATED IN THE FINAL RULING BELOW. THAT RULING WILL BE APPENDED TO THE MINUTES. THIS FINAL RULING MAY OR MAY NOT BE A FINAL ADJUDICATION ON THE MERITS; IF IT IS, IT INCLUDES THE COURT'S FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS. IF ALL PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO A CONTINUANCE OR HAVE RESOLVED THE MATTER BY STIPULATION, THEY MUST ADVISE THE COURTROOM DEPUTY CLERK PRIOR TO HEARING IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE COURT VACATE THE FINAL RULING IN FAVOR OF THE CONTINUANCE OR THE STIPULATED DISPOSITION.

IF THE COURT CONCLUDES THAT FED. R. BANKR. P. 9014(d) REQUIRES AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING, UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED, IT WILL BE SET ON FEBRUARY 2, 2015, AT 2:30 P.M.

1. 15-20003-A-13 ANDREA LARA MRL-1 MOTION TO EXTEND AUTOMATIC STAY 1-6-15 [9]

- □ Telephone Appearance
- □ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: Because less than 28 days' notice of the hearing was given by the debtor, this motion is deemed brought pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2). Consequently, the creditors, the trustee, the U.S. Trustee, and any other parties in interest were not required to file a written response or opposition to the motion. If any of these potential respondents appear at the hearing and offers opposition to the motion, the court will set a briefing schedule and a final hearing unless there is no need to develop the record further. If no opposition is offered at the hearing, the court will take up the merits of the motion. Below is the court's tentative ruling, rendered on the assumption that there will be no opposition to the motion. Obviously, if there is opposition, the court may reconsider this tentative ruling.

The motion will be granted.

This is the second chapter 13 case filed by the debtor. A prior case was voluntarily dismissed by the debtor after she lost her job and could not maintain plan payments. This second case was filed within one year of the dismissal. Hence, the debtor's earlier chapter 13 case was dismissed within one year of the most recent petition.

11 U.S.C. § 362(c)(3)(A) provides that if a single or joint case is filed by or against a debtor who is an individual in a case under chapter 7, 11, or 13, and if a single or joint case of the debtor was pending within the preceding oneyear period but was dismissed, the automatic stay with respect to a debt, property securing such debt, or any lease terminates on the 30^{th} day after the filing of the new case.

Section 362(c)(3)(B) allows a debtor to file a motion requesting the continuation of the stay. A review of the docket reveals that the debtor has filed this motion to extend the automatic stay before the 30^{th} day after the filing of the petition. The motion will be adjudicated before the 30-day period expires.

In order to extend the automatic stay, the party seeking the relief must demonstrate that the filing of the new case was in good faith as to the creditors to be stayed. For example, in <u>In re Whitaker</u>, 341 B.R. 336, 345 (Bankr. S.D. Ga. 2006), the court held: "[T]he chief means of rebutting the presumption of bad faith requires the movant to establish 'a substantial change in the financial or personal affairs of the debtor . . . or any other reason to conclude' that the instant case will be successful. If the instant case is one under chapter 7, a discharge must now be permissible. If it is a case under chapters 11 or 13, there must be some substantial change."

Here, it appears that the debtor was unable to maintain her plan payments in the first case due to a job loss. The debtor filed the second case after finding new employment and sharing a home with a third person who also shares expenses. This is a sufficient change in circumstances rebut the presumption of bad faith.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE 1-5-15 [34]

- Telephone Appearance
- Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: The case will be dismissed.

The debtor was given permission to pay the filing fee in installments pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1006(b). The installment in the amount of \$74 due on December 29 was not paid. This is cause for dismissal. See 11 U.S.C. \S 1307(c)(2).

3. 14-29717-A-13 CHAD ELTISTE

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE 1-5-15 [18]

Telephone AppearanceTrustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: The case will be dismissed.

The debtor was given permission to pay the filing fee in installments pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1006(b). The installment in the amount of \$71 due on December 29 was not paid. This is cause for dismissal. See 11 U.S.C. 1307(c)(2).

4. 14-26623-A-13 ROBERT/NICHOLA DANIEL MO BSJ-6 VA

MOTION TO VACATE DISMISSAL OF CASE 1-12-15 [73]

- □ Telephone Appearance
- □ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: Because less than 28 days' notice of the hearing was given by the debtor, this motion is deemed brought pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2). Consequently, the creditors, the trustee, the U.S. Trustee, and any other parties in interest were not required to file a written response or opposition to the motion. If any of these potential respondents appear at the hearing and offers opposition to the motion, the court will set a briefing schedule and a final hearing unless there is no need to develop the record further. If no opposition is offered at the hearing, the court will take up the merits of the motion. Below is the court's tentative ruling, rendered on the assumption that there will be no opposition to the motion. Obviously, if there is opposition, the court may reconsider this tentative ruling.

This case was dismissed on December 10 because the debtor failed to comply with an earlier court order to confirm a plan by November 17 on pain of dismissal. The court did not confirm a plan by the deadline, the debtor did not request an extension of the deadline before it expired, and the trustee successfully applied for the dismissal of the case.

The motion explains that a plan would have been confirmed by the deadline but for two errors - the motion was not served correctly and the debtor failed to value collateral of a secured claim being impaired by the plan. This motion argues these were minor errors not the fault of the debtors but their attorney. They were not minor errors and whether it was the error of counsel or the debtor is immaterial. Service of motions on creditors is a component of due process that is fundamental to any court case. Generally in the absence of grounds to believe the factual basis for the court's dismissal is in error, the court will not vacate a dismissal. This is not unfair particularly when the court liberally extends the deadline its sets for confirmation provided an request for an extension is submitted before the deadline expires. Nonetheless, here there was an attempt to ask for an extension and possibly because the deadline fell near a holiday, it was not timely. Also, counsel expeditiously moved to confirm another plan. Therefore, the dismissal will be vacated but the case will be dismissed without further notice or hearing on the trustee's application if a plan is not confirmed within 75 days.

5. 14-25257-A-13 DARRELL/BARBARA NEAL SJS-5

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 12-15-14 [59]

- Telephone Appearance
- $\hfill\square$ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: The motion will be denied and the objection will be sustained.

The debtor has failed to commence making plan payments and has not paid approximately \$533 to the trustee as required by the proposed plan. This has resulted in delay that is prejudicial to creditors and suggests that the plan is not feasible. This is cause to deny confirmation of the plan and for dismissal of the case. See 11 U.S.C. §§ 1307(c)(1) & (c)(4), 1325(a)(6).

6.	14-25257-A-13	DARRELL/BARBARA	NEAL	COUNTER MOTIC	N TO
	SJS-5			DISMISS CASE	
				1-7-15 [70]	

- Telephone Appearance
- □ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: The motion will be conditionally denied.

Because the plan proposed by the debtor is not confirmable, the debtor will be given a further opportunity to confirm a plan. But, if the debtor is unable to confirm a plan within a reasonable period of time, the court concludes that the prejudice to creditors will be substantial and that there will then be cause for dismissal. If the debtor has not confirmed a plan within 75 days, the case will be dismissed on the trustee's ex parte application.

7.	14-26268-A-13	ROBERTO/ROSAEMMA	CARRAZCO	MOTION	ТО
	CJY-3			SELL	
				1-6-15	[40]

- □ Telephone Appearance
- Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: Because less than 28 days' notice of the hearing was given by the debtor, this motion is deemed brought pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2). Consequently, the creditors, the trustee, the U.S. Trustee, and any other parties in interest were not required to file a written response or opposition to the motion. If any of these potential respondents appear at the

hearing and offers opposition to the motion, the court will set a briefing schedule and a final hearing unless there is no need to develop the record further. If no opposition is offered at the hearing, the court will take up the merits of the motion. Below is the court's tentative ruling, rendered on the assumption that there will be no opposition to the motion. Obviously, if there is opposition, the court may reconsider this tentative ruling.

The motion to sell a vehicle will be granted on the condition that the sale proceeds are used to pay any and all liens of record in full in a manner consistent with the plan. If the proceeds are not sufficient to pay liens of record in full (including liens ostensibly "stripped off"), no sale may be completed without the consent of each lienholder not being paid in full.

8. 14-31784-A-13 SHARON BRAZELL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE 1-8-15 [22]

- Telephone Appearance
- $\hfill\square$ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: The case will be dismissed.

The court granted the debtor permission to pay the filing fee in installments. The debtor failed to pay the \$79 installment when due on January 5. However, after the issuance of the order to show cause, the delinquent installment was paid. No prejudice was caused by the late payment.

9.	14-30390-A-13	BERNARD MOSE AND FARRAH	OBJECTION TO
	JPJ-1	LAVULO-MOSE	CONFIRMATION OF PLAN
			12-10-14 [19]

- Telephone Appearance
- Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: None. Appearances required.

10.	14-31895-A-13	RUDY/LILIA DELUMPA	MOTION TO
	MET-3		VALUE COLLATERAL
	VS. BANK OF AM	IERICA, N.A.	1-7-15 [28]

Telephone AppearanceTrustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: Because less than 28 days' notice of the hearing was given by the debtor, this motion is deemed brought pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2). Consequently, the creditors, the trustee, the U.S. Trustee, and any other parties in interest were not required to file a written response or opposition to the motion. If any of these potential respondents appear at the hearing and offers opposition to the motion, the court will set a briefing schedule and a final hearing unless there is no need to develop the record further. If no opposition is offered at the hearing, the court will take up the merits of the motion. Below is the court's tentative ruling, rendered on the assumption that there will be no opposition to the motion. Obviously, if there is opposition, the court may reconsider this tentative ruling.

The motion will be granted.

The debtor seeks to value the debtor's residence at a fair market value of \$297,000 as of the date the petition was filed. It is encumbered by a first deed of trust held by Nationstar Mortgage. The first deed of trust secures a loan with a balance of approximately \$469,208 as of the petition date. Therefore, Bank of America's claim secured by a junior deed of trust is completely under-collateralized. No portion of this claim will be allowed as a secured claim. See 11 U.S.C. § 506(a).

Any assertion that the respondent's claim cannot be modified because it is secured only by a security interest in real property that is the debtor's principal residence is disposed of by <u>In re Zimmer</u>, 313 F.3d 1220 (9th Cir. 2002) and <u>In re Lam</u>, 211 B.R. 36 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1997). <u>See also In re</u> <u>Bartee</u>, 212 F.3d 277 (5th Cir. 2000); <u>In re Tanner</u>, 217 F.3d 1357 (11th Cir. 2000); <u>McDonald v. Master Fin., Inc. (In re McDonald)</u>, 205 F.3d 606, 611-13 (3rd Cir. 2000); and <u>Domestic Bank v. Mann (In re Mann)</u>, 249 B.R. 831, 840 (B.A.P. 1st Cir. 2000).

Because the claim is completely under-secured, no interest need be paid on the claim except to the extent otherwise required by 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a)(4). If the secured claim is 0, because the value of the respondent's collateral is 0, no interest need be paid pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a)(5)(B)(ii).

Any argument that the plan, by valuing the respondent's security and providing the above treatment, violates In re Hobdy, 130 B.R. 318 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1991), will be overruled. The plan is not an objection to the respondent's proof of claim pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3007 and 11 U.S.C. § 502. The plan makes provision for the treatment of the claim and all other claims, and a separate valuation motion has been filed and served as permitted by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3012 and 11 U.S.C. § 506(a). The plan was served by the trustee on all creditors, and the motion to value collateral was served by the debtor with a notice that the collateral for the respondent's claim would be valued. That motion is supported by a declaration of the debtor as to the value of the real property. There is nothing about the process for considering the valuation motion which amounts to a denial of due process.

To the extent the respondent objects to valuation of its collateral in a contested matter rather than an adversary proceeding, the objection is overruled. Valuations pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 506(a) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3012 are contested matters and do not require the filing of an adversary proceeding. Further, even if considered in the nature of a claim objection, an adversary proceeding is not required. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3007. It is only when such a motion or objection is joined with a request to determine the extent, validity or priority of a security interest, or a request to avoid a lien that an adversary proceeding is required. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7001(2). The court is not determining the validity of a claim or avoiding a lien or security interest. The respondent's deed of trust will remain of record until the plan is completed. This is required by 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a) (5) (B) (I). Once the plan is completed, if the respondent will not reconvey its deed of trust, the court will entertain an adversary proceeding. See also 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a) (5) (B) (I).

In the meantime, the court is merely valuing the respondent's collateral. Rule 3012 specifies that this is done by motion. Rule 3012 motions can be filed and heard any time during the case. It is particularly appropriate that such motions be heard in connection with the confirmation of a plan. The value of collateral will set the upper bounds of the amount of the secured claim. 11 U.S.C. § 506(a). Knowing the amount and character of claims is vital to assessing the feasibility of a plan, 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a)(6), and determining

whether the treatment accorded to secured claims complies with 11 U.S.C. $\$ 1325(a)(5).

To the extent the creditor objects to the debtor's opinion of value, that objection is also overruled, particularly in light of its failure to file any contrary evidence of value. According to the debtor, the residence has a fair market value of \$297,000. Evidence in the form of the debtor's declaration supports the valuation motion. The debtor may testify regarding the value of property owned by the debtor. Fed. R. Evid. 701; <u>So. Central Livestock</u> <u>Dealers, Inc., v. Security State Bank</u>, 614 F.2d 1056, 1061 (5th Cir. 1980).

11. 14-31000-A-13 DAVID SHEDD JPJ-2

OBJECTION TO EXEMPTIONS 12-22-14 [33]

Final Ruling: This objection to the debtor's exemptions has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(1). The failure of the debtor 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. <u>Cf. Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the objecting party, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the debtor's default is entered and the matter will be resolved without oral argument.

The objection will be sustained.

The debtor has claimed a deposit account as exempt under Cal. Civ. Pro. Code § 704.080. However, this exemption permits a debtor to exempt social security benefits that are deposited into an account. According to Schedule I, the debtor does not receive social security or any other public benefit or assistance. This exemption is disallowed.

12.	14-31000-A-13	DAVID SHEDD	OBJECTION TO
	PPR-1		CONFIRMATION OF PLAN
	U.S. BANK, N.A	. VS.	12-18-14 [30]

Final Ruling: The objection will be dismissed without prejudice. To the extent this objection pertains to the plan filed November 7, it is moot given that the debtor has proposed an amended plan that is set for confirmation at a hearing on February 2. Any objections to that plan should be filed as opposition to the debtor's motion. Also, this objection was set for hearing in violation of Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. It should have been set for hearing on December 29 in accordance with the Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1(c)(4).

13.	12-34106-A-13	JEFFREY/SANDRA	GARDENHIRE	MOTION TO
	CA-4			MODIFY PLAN
				12-18-14 [41]

Final Ruling: This motion to confirm a modified plan proposed after confirmation of a plan has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(d)(2) and 9014-1(f)(1) and Fed. R. Bankr. R. 3015(g). The failure of the trustee, the U.S. Trustee, creditors, and any other party in interest 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. <u>Cf. Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the debtor, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v.</u> <u>Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the respondents' defaults are entered and the matter will be resolved without oral argument.

The motion will be granted. The modified plan complies with 11 U.S.C. \$ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

14. 14-27909-A-13 JUAN/REINA TORRES ALF-3 MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 12-12-14 [42]

Final Ruling: This motion to confirm a plan has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(c)(3) & (d)(1) and 9014-1(f)(1), and Fed. R. Bankr. R. 2002(b). The failure of the trustee, the U.S. Trustee, creditors, and any other party in interest 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 debtor, an actual hearing is unnecessary. See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo), 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the respondents' defaults are entered and the matter will be resolved without oral argument.

The motion will be granted. The plan complies with 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

15.	10-37324-A-13	JAMES	RHODES	AND	DIVINA	MOTION TO
	BLG-3	CADIZ				MODIFY PLAN
						12-13-14 [50]

Final Ruling: This motion to confirm a modified plan proposed after confirmation of a plan has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(d)(2) and 9014-1(f)(1) and Fed. R. Bankr. R. 3015(g). The failure of the trustee, the U.S. Trustee, creditors, and any other party in interest 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. <u>Cf. Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the debtor, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v.</u> <u>Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the respondents' defaults are entered and the matter will be resolved without oral argument.

The motion will be granted. The modified plan complies with 11 U.S.C. \$ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

16.	14-30434-A-13	YELENA	MARKEVICH	OBJECTION TO
	JPJ-2			EXEMPTIONS
				12-22-14 [34]

Final Ruling: The objection will be dismissed as moot. The case was dismissed on December 22, 2014.

17. 14-31748-A-13 PEDRO BARRIOS

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE 1-5-15 [20]

Final Ruling: The order to show cause will be discharged and the case will remain pending.

The debtor was given permission to pay the filing fee in installments pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1006(b). While the installment in the amount of \$79 due on December 29 was not paid until December 30, this delay was immaterial. Further, given the payment the clerk had no reason to issue an order to show cause on January 5.

18.14-20460-A-13BELEN VALENCIAOBJECTION TOJPJ-1CLAIMVS. STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTO INS. CO.12-9-14 [46]

Final Ruling: This objection to the proof of claim of State Farm Mutual, etc., has been set for hearing on at least 44 days' notice to the claimant as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3007-1(c)(1)(ii). The failure of the claimant to file written opposition at least 14 calendar days prior to the hearing is considered as consent to the sustaining of the objection. <u>Cf.</u> <u>Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the objecting party, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the claimant's default is entered and the objection will be resolved without oral argument.

The objection will be sustained. The last date to file a timely proof of claim was June 4, 2014. The proof of claim was filed on October 31, 2014. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(9) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3002(c), the claim is disallowed because it is untimely. <u>See In re Osborne</u>, 76 F.3d 306 (9th Cir. 1996); <u>In re Edelman</u>, 237 B.R. 146, 153 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1999); <u>Ledlin v. United States (In re Tomlan)</u>, 907 F.2d 114 (9th Cir. 1989); <u>Zidell, Inc. V. Forsch (In re Coastal Alaska)</u>, 920 F.2d 1428, 1432-33 (9th Cir. 1990).

19.	14-21961-A-13	TERRY/ALISON YOUMANS	OBJECTION TO
	JPJ-2		CLAIM
	VS. PITNEY BOW	ES GLOBAL FIN'L SVCS., L	.L.C. 12-9-14 [28]

Final Ruling: This objection to the proof of claim of Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services has been set for hearing on at least 44 days' notice to the claimant as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3007-1(c)(1)(ii). The failure of the claimant to file written opposition at least 14 calendar days prior to the hearing is considered as consent to the sustaining of the objection. <u>Cf</u>. <u>Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the objecting party, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the claimant's default is entered and the objection will be resolved without oral argument.

The objection will be sustained. The last date to file a timely proof of claim was July 2, 2014. The proof of claim was filed on November 6, 2014. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(9) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3002(c), the claim is disallowed because it is untimely. <u>See In re Osborne</u>, 76 F.3d 306 (9th Cir. 1996); <u>In re Edelman</u>, 237 B.R. 146, 153 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1999); <u>Ledlin v. United States (In re Tomlan)</u>, 907 F.2d 114 (9th Cir. 1989); <u>Zidell, Inc. V. Forsch (In re Coastal Alaska)</u>, 920 F.2d 1428, 1432-33 (9th Cir. 1990).

20.	14-23461-A-13	BERNADETTE ROLFS	OBJECTION TO
	JPJ-1		CLAIM
	VS. PENTAGON H	FEDERAL CREDIT UNION	12-9-14 [29]

Final Ruling: This objection to the proof of claim of Pentagon Federal Credit Union has been set for hearing on at least 44 days' notice to the claimant as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3007-1(c)(1)(ii). The failure of the claimant to file written opposition at least 14 calendar days prior to the hearing is considered as consent to the sustaining of the objection. <u>Cf</u>. <u>Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the objecting party, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the claimant's default is entered and the objection will be resolved without oral argument.

The objection will be sustained. The last date to file a timely proof of claim was July 30, 2014. The proof of claim was filed on August 15, 2014. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(9) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3002(c), the claim is disallowed because it is untimely. <u>See In re Osborne</u>, 76 F.3d 306 (9th Cir. 1996); <u>In re Edelman</u>, 237 B.R. 146, 153 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1999); <u>Ledlin v. United States (In re Tomlan)</u>, 907 F.2d 114 (9th Cir. 1989); <u>Zidell, Inc. V. Forsch (In re Coastal</u> Alaska), 920 F.2d 1428, 1432-33 (9th Cir. 1990).

21.	14-29369-A-13 PAUL RODRIGUEZ	MOTION TO
	DSH-1	VALUE COLLATERAL
	VS. CAPITAL ONE AUTO FINANCE	10-31-14 [24]

Final Ruling: This valuation motion has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(1). The failure of the trustee and the respondent creditor 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. <u>Cf. Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 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. <u>See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the defaults of the trustee and the respondent creditor are entered and the matter will be resolved without oral argument.

The valuation motion pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3012 and 11 U.S.C. § 506(a) will be granted. The motion is accompanied by the debtor's declaration. The debtor is the owner of the subject property. In the debtor's opinion, the subject property had a value of \$15,000 as of the date the petition was filed and the effective date of the plan. Given the absence of contrary evidence, the debtor's opinion of value is conclusive. See Enewally v. Washington Mutual Bank (In re Enewally), 368 F.3d 1165 (9th Cir. 2004). Therefore, \$15,000 of the respondent's claim is an allowed secured claim. When the respondent is paid \$15,000 and subject to the completion of the plan, its secured claim shall be satisfied in full and the collateral free of the respondent's lien. Provided a timely proof of claim is filed, the remainder of its claim is allowed as a general unsecured claim unless previously paid by the trustee as a secured claim.

22. 14-29369-A-13 PAUL RODRIGUEZ DSH-2 MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 10-31-14 [31]

Final Ruling: The motion will be dismissed without prejudice.

Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-1(c) provides that notices in adversary proceedings and contested matters that are served on the IRS shall be mailed to three entities at three different addresses: (1) IRS, P.O. Box 7346, Philadelphia, PA 19101-7346; (2) United States Attorney, for the IRS, 501 I Street, Suite 10-100, Sacramento, CA 95814; and (3) United States Department of Justice, Civil Trial Section, Western Region, Box 683, Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044.

Service in this case is deficient because the IRS was not served at the second and third address listed above.

23. 14-30273-A-13 ZEDOLION MILTON JPJ-2

OBJECTION TO EXEMPTIONS 12-22-14 [37]

Final Ruling: This objection to the debtor's exemptions has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(1). The failure of the debtor 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. <u>Cf. Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the objecting party, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the debtor's default is entered and the matter will be resolved without oral argument.

The objection will be sustained in part.

A debtor's exemptions are determined as of the date the bankruptcy petition is filed. <u>Owen v. Owen</u>, 500 U.S. 305, 314 (1991); <u>see also In re Chappell</u>, 373 B.R. 73, 77 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 2007) (holding that "critical date for determining exemption rights is the petition date"). Thus, the court applies the facts and law existing on the date the case was commenced to determine the nature and extent of the debtor's exemptions.

11 U.S.C. § 522(b)(1) permits the states to opt out of the federal exemption statutory scheme set forth in section 522(d). In enacting Cal. Civ. Proc. Code § 703.130, the State of California opted out of the federal exemption scheme relegating a debtor to whatever exemptions are provided under state law. Thus, substantive issues regarding the allowance or disallowance of a claimed exemption are governed by state law in California.

California state law gives debtors filing for bankruptcy the right to choose (1) a set of state law exemptions similar but not identical to the Bankruptcy Code exemptions; or (2) California's regular non-bankruptcy exemptions. See Cal. Civ. Proc. Code §§ 703.130, 703.140. The debtor is not permitted to choice exemptions from each exemption scheme. All exemptions must be within one of the two schemes. Here, the debtor has claimed exemptions under both exemption schemes. Therefore, all exemptions are disallowed subject to the right of the debtor to file an amended Schedule C which claims exemptions under one, not both, exemption schemes.

24. 14-31782-A-13 JAMES HOWARTH CAH-1 MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 12-12-14 [14]

Final Ruling: The hearing on the motion is continued to February 23, 2015 to give the debtor the opportunity to appear at the continued meeting of creditors.

25. 14-29485-A-13 MARK TRIEBWASSER MOTION TO PLC-3 CONFIRM PLAN 12-11-14 [40]

Final Ruling: The motion will be dismissed as moot. The case was dismissed on January 5, 2015.

26. 14-27888-A-13 BRIAN SMITH JSO-1

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 12-10-14 [23]

Final Ruling: The motion will be dismissed as moot. The case was dismissed on December 30, 2014.

27.	13-25490-A	-13 GARY/1	FERRIE COOK	OBJECTION TO	
	JPJ-2			CLAIM	
	VS. WELLS	FARGO HOME	MORTGAGE	12-9-14 [60]	

Final Ruling: This objection to the proof of claim of Wells Fargo Home Mortgage has been set for hearing on at least 44 days' notice to the claimant as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3007-1(c)(1)(ii). The failure of the claimant to file written opposition at least 14 calendar days prior to the hearing is considered as consent to the sustaining of the objection. <u>Cf.</u> <u>Ghazali v. Moran</u>, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Further, because the court will not materially alter the relief requested by the objecting party, an actual hearing is unnecessary. <u>See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo)</u>, 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006). Therefore, the claimant's default is entered and the objection will be resolved without oral argument.

The objection will be sustained. The last date to file a timely proof of claim was September 4, 2014. The proof of claim was filed on November 10, 2014. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(9) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3002(c), the claim is disallowed because it is untimely. <u>See In re Osborne</u>, 76 F.3d 306 (9th Cir. 1996); <u>In re Edelman</u>, 237 B.R. 146, 153 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1999); <u>Ledlin v.</u> <u>United States (In re Tomlan)</u>, 907 F.2d 114 (9th Cir. 1989); <u>Zidell, Inc. V.</u> Forsch (In re Coastal Alaska), 920 F.2d 1428, 1432-33 (9th Cir. 1990).

28. 13-25094-A-13 CLYDE NAKAO MOTION TO RWF-3 MODIFY PLAN 12-17-14 [38]

Final Ruling: The motion will be dismissed without prejudice.

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