



UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
Eastern District of California

Honorable Christopher M. Klein
Bankruptcy Judge
Sacramento, California

April 15, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

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1.	25-20907 -C-13	GAMALYEL VALENZUELA	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE
		CARMONA AND FRANCIS	TO PAY FEES
		Matthew DeCaminada	3-28-25 [19]

Final Ruling: No appearance at the April 15, 2025 hearing is required.

The court issued this Order to Show Cause because debtor had not paid the filing fee. Dkt. 19.

A review of the docket shows that the fee has now been paid. Therefore, the Order to Show Cause is discharged.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Order to Show Cause having been presented to the court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause is discharged, no sanctions ordered, and the bankruptcy case shall proceed in this court.

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2. [25-20252](#)-C-13 LATOYA POLAND
Pro Se

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE
TO PAY FEES
3-28-25 [[33](#)]

Tentative Ruling:

The court issued this Order to Show Cause because debtor had not paid the filing fee installment payment on the due date of March 24, 2025. Dkt. 33.

A review of the docket shows the payment has still not been made.

Therefore, the Order to Show Cause is sustained, and the case is dismissed.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Order to Show Cause having been presented to the court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause is sustained, and the case is dismissed.

Tentative Ruling:

The Motion has been set on Local Rule 9014-1(f)(1) procedure which requires 28 days' notice. The Proof of Service shows that 39 days' notice was provided. Dkt. 31.

No opposition has been filed. Therefore, the court enters the defaults of the non-responding parties in interest, finds there are no disputed material factual issues, and determines the matter will be resolved without oral argument. *Cf. Ghazali v. Moran*, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995); *Law Offices of David A. Boone v. Derham-Burk (In re Eliapo)*, 468 F.3d 592, 602 (9th Cir. 2006).

The Motion to Dismiss is granted, and the case is dismissed.

The Chapter 13 Trustee filed this Motion To Dismiss arguing that cause for dismissal exists for the following reasons:

(1) Debtor has failed to set a hearing on confirmation;

(4) Debtor has failed to provide pay advices, tax returns, original valid ID, proof of social security number, a complete plan, and other required documents;

(3) Debtor has failed to accurately file schedules and statements;

and

(4) Debtor has failed to commence making plan payments.

DISCUSSION

Debtor did not properly serve the Plan on all interested parties and has yet to file a motion to confirm the Plan. The Plan was filed after the notice of the Meeting of Creditors was issued. Therefore, Debtor must file a motion to confirm the Plan. See Local Bankr. R. 3015-1(c)(3). A review of the docket shows that no such motion has been filed. That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Debtor has not provided Trustee with employer payment advices for the period of sixty days preceding the filing of the petition as required by 11 U.S.C. § 521(a)(1)(B)(iv); Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4002(b)(2)(A). That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Debtor did not provide either a tax transcript or a federal income tax return with attachments for the most recent pre-petition tax year for which a return was required. See 11 U.S.C. § 521(e)(2)(A)(i); Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4002(b)(3). That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Debtor has not provided Trustee with proof of a Social Security Number. See 11 U.S.C. § 521(h)(2). That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

The debtor is \$2,000.00 delinquent in plan payments, which is supported by declaration. Dkt. 30. Failure to maintain plan payments constitutes evidence of unreasonable delay by the debtor that is prejudicial to creditors, which is cause for dismissal of the case. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Based on the foregoing, cause exists to dismiss this case pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1). Furthermore, the court finds that dismissal, and not conversion, is in the best interest of creditors and the Estate. The Motion is granted, and the case is dismissed.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Motion to Dismiss the Chapter 13 case filed by the Chapter 13 Trustee, Lilian G. Tsang, having been presented to the court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Motion to Dismiss is granted, and the case is dismissed, the court having found that dismissal, and not conversion, is in the best interest of creditors and the Estate.

4. [25-20869](#)-C-13 ANDREAS TZORTZIS
Zheng Liu

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE
TO PAY FEES
3-13-25 [[14](#)]

Final Ruling: No appearance at the April 15, 2025 hearing is required.

The court issued this Order to Show Cause because debtor had not paid the filing fee. Dkt. 14.

A review of the docket shows that the fee has now been paid. Therefore, the Order to Show Cause is discharged.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Order to Show Cause having been presented to the court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause is discharged, no sanctions ordered, and the bankruptcy case shall proceed in this court.

Tentative Ruling:

The Motion has been set on Local Rule 9014-1(f)(1) procedure which requires 28 days' notice. The Proof of Service shows that 35 days' notice was provided. Dkt. 41.

No opposition has been filed. Therefore, the court enters the defaults of the non-responding parties in interest, finds there are no disputed material factual issues, and determines the matter will be resolved without oral argument. *Cf. Ghazali v. Moran*, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995); *Law Offices of David A. Boone v. Derham-Burk (In re Eliapo)*, 468 F.3d 592, 602 (9th Cir. 2006).

The Motion to Dismiss is granted, and the case is dismissed.

The Chapter 13 Trustee filed this Motion To Dismiss arguing that cause for dismissal exists for the following reasons:

(1) Debtor has failed to file a plan and set a hearing on confirmation;

(4) Debtor has failed to provide pay advices, tax returns, original valid ID, proof of social security number, and other required documents;

(3) Debtor has failed to accurately file schedules and statements;
and

(4) Debtor has failed to provide a Credit Counseling Certificate.

DISCUSSION

Debtor did not properly serve the Plan on all interested parties and has yet to file a motion to confirm the Plan. The Plan was filed after the notice of the Meeting of Creditors was issued. Therefore, Debtor must file a motion to confirm the Plan. See Local Bankr. R. 3015-1(c)(3). A review of the docket shows that no such motion has been filed. That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Debtor has not provided Trustee with employer payment advices for the period of sixty days preceding the filing of the petition as required by 11 U.S.C. § 521(a)(1)(B)(iv); Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4002(b)(2)(A). That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Debtor did not provide either a tax transcript or a federal income tax return with attachments for the most recent pre-petition tax year for which a return was required. See 11 U.S.C. § 521(e)(2)(A)(i); Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4002(b)(3). That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Debtor has not provided Trustee with proof of a Social Security Number. See 11 U.S.C. § 521(h)(2). That is unreasonable delay that is prejudicial to creditors. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

The debtor is \$2,000.00 delinquent in plan payments, which is supported by declaration. Dkt. 30. Failure to maintain plan payments constitutes evidence of unreasonable delay by the debtor that is prejudicial to creditors, which is cause for dismissal of the case. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

Based on the foregoing, cause exists to dismiss this case pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1). Furthermore, the court finds that dismissal, and not conversion, is in the best interest of creditors and the Estate. The Motion is granted, and the case is dismissed.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Motion to Dismiss the Chapter 13 case filed by the Chapter 13 Trustee, Lilian G. Tsang, having been presented to the court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Motion to Dismiss is granted, and the case is dismissed, the court having found that dismissal, and not conversion, is in the best interest of creditors and the Estate.

6. [25-20076](#)-C-13 ROBERT/CHRISTINA ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE
 HERNANDEZ TO PAY FEES
 Kristy Hernandez 3-17-25 [[25](#)]

Final Ruling: No appearance at the April 15, 2025 hearing is required.

The court issued this Order to Show Cause because debtor had not paid the fee installment payment due on March 11, 2025. Dkt. 25.

A review of the docket shows that the installment has now been paid. Therefore, the Order to Show Cause is discharged.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Order to Show Cause having been presented to the court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause is discharged, no sanctions ordered, and the bankruptcy case shall proceed in this court.

7. [24-25088](#)-C-13 VALERIE WILLIAMS
Peter Cianchetta

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE
TO PAY FEES
3-13-25 [[34](#)]

Final Ruling: No appearance at the April 15, 2025 hearing is required.

The above captioned case was dismissed on April 3, 2025. Dkt. 57.
Therefore, the Order to Show Cause is discharged as moot.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form
holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in
the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Order to Show Cause having been presented to the
court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments
of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause is
dismissed as moot.

8. [25-20690](#)-C-13 SCOTT BALLARDO
 Peter Macaluso

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE
TO PAY FEES
3-25-25 [[27](#)]

Final Ruling: No appearance at the April 15, 2025 hearing is required.

The court issued this Order to Show Cause because debtor had not paid the fee installment payment due on March 20, 2025. Dkt. 27.

A review of the docket shows that the installment has now been paid. Therefore, the Order to Show Cause is discharged.

The court shall issue a minute order substantially in the following form holding that:

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are stated in the Civil Minutes for the hearing.

The Order to Show Cause having been presented to the court, and upon review of the pleadings, evidence, arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause is discharged, no sanctions ordered, and the bankruptcy case shall proceed in this court.