UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Eastern District of California

Honorable Christopher D. Jaime Bankruptcy Judge Sacramento, California

May 28, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

1. <u>23-21849</u>-B-13 JUAN GONZALEZ LGT-1 David C. Johnston

MOTION TO DISMISS CASE 5-14-24 [90]

Final Ruling

The motion has been set for hearing on less than 28-days notice. Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2). Parties in interest were not required to file a written response or opposition.

The court has determined that oral argument will not assist in the decision-making process or resolution of the motion. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(h), 1001-1(f). This matter will therefore be decided on the papers.

The court's decision is to conditionally grant the motion to dismiss case and continue the matter to June 4, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

First, as of the date of this hearing, 238 days have passed since the denial of confirmation of Debtor's plan on October 3, 2023. To date, the Debtor has failed to file, set, and serve an amended plan. This is an unreasonable delay by Debtor that is prejudicial to creditors who are delayed in receiving payments.

Second, a review of Debtors' Schedules A/B, C, and D shows that Debtor has non-exempt equity in real and personal property. Should the Debtor choose to amend Schedule C, there would remain nonexempt equity that may be available for the benefit of unsecured creditors.

Cause exists to dismiss this case. The motion is conditionally granted and the case will be dismissed.

Conditional Nature of this Ruling

Because the motion has been filed, set, and served under Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2), any party in interest shall have until 5:00 p.m. on <u>Friday, May 31, 2024</u>, to file and serve an opposition or other response to the motion. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(f)(2)(C). Any opposition or response shall be served on the Chapter 13 Trustee and the United States trustee by facsimile or email.

If no opposition or response is timely filed and served, the motion will be deemed granted for the reasons stated hereinabove, this ruling will no longer be conditional and will become the court's final decision, and the continued hearing on June 4, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. will be vacated.

If an opposition or response is timely filed and served, the court will hear the motion on June 4, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

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PRE-HEARING DISPOSITIONS COVER SHEET

DAY: TUESDAY

DATE: May 28, 2024

CALENDAR: 1:00 P.M. CHAPTER 13

Each matter on this calendar will have one of three possible designations: No Ruling, Tentative Ruling, or Final Ruling. These instructions apply to those designations.

No Ruling: All parties will need to appear at the hearing unless otherwise ordered.

Tentative Ruling: If a matter has been designated as a tentative ruling it will be called. The court may continue the hearing on the matter, set a briefing schedule, or enter other orders appropriate for efficient and proper resolution of the matter. The original moving or objecting party shall give notice of the continued hearing date and the deadlines. The minutes of the hearing will be the court's findings and conclusions.

Final Ruling: Unless otherwise ordered, there will be <u>no hearing on these</u> <u>matters and no appearance is necessary</u>. The final disposition of the matter is set forth in the ruling and it will appear in the minutes. The final ruling may or may not finally adjudicate the matter. If it is finally adjudicated, the minutes constitute the court's findings and conclusions.

Orders: Unless the court specifies in the tentative or final ruling that it will issue an order, the prevailing party shall lodge an order within seven (7) days of the final hearing on the matter.

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The Chapter 13 Trustee has filed three motions to dismiss case, which were denied since the Debtor filed responses and/or an amended plan. However, the Debtor has yet to confirm a plan in this case. Debtor filed a second amended plan on Marcy 28, 2024, but as the date of this hearing, has not yet filed a motion to confirm the plan. This is an unreasonable delay by Debtor that is prejudicial to creditors who are delayed in receiving payments.

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