UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Eastern District of California

Honorable Michael S. McManus Bankruptcy Judge Sacramento, California

August 7, 2017 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 5. 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 AUGUST 28, 2017 AT 1:30 P.M. OPPOSITION MUST BE FILED AND SERVED BY AUGUST 14, 2017, AND ANY REPLY MUST BE FILED AND SERVED BY AUGUST 21, 2017. 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 6 THROUGH 14 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 AUGUST 14, 2017, AT 2:30 P.M.

Matters to be Called for Argument

1. 17-24605-A-13 FREDERICK AGOSTA
MOH-1
VS. U.S. BANK

MOTION TO
VALUE COLLATERAL
7-24-17 [18]

- □ 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.

The debtor seeks to value the debtor's residence at a fair market value of \$100,000 as of the date the petition was filed. It is encumbered by a first deed of trust held by Ditect. The first deed of trust secures a loan with a balance of approximately \$130,253.64 as of the petition date. Therefore, U.S. Bank'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 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 <u>In re Hobdy</u>, 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 \$100,000. 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; So. Central Livestock Dealers, Inc., v. Security State Bank, 614 F.2d 1056, 1061 (5th Cir. 1980).

2. 17-22310-A-13 CAROLINE HEGARTY
SNM-1
VS. PROPERTY REHAB TRUST, L.L.C.

OBJECTION TO CLAIM 6-14-17 [27]

- □ Telephone Appearance
- □ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: The objection will be overruled.

The objection that the proof of claim is not properly documented with copies of the underlying promissory note and mortgage will be overruled.

When a debtor objects to a creditor's proof of claim that does not conform with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3001(c) by including copies of the documentation on which it is based, the bankruptcy court must resolve the dispute by reference to the burdens of proof associated with claims litigation.

In <u>In re Heath</u>, 331 B.R. 424, 436 (9th Cir. BAP 2005) and <u>In re Campbell</u>, 336 B.R. 430, 436 (9th Cir. BAP 2005), creditors filed proofs of claim that failed to provide adequate summaries or attach the documentation as required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3001. The debtors in these cases objected to the proofs of claim but came forward with no evidence that the claims were not owed. Therefore, the BAP concluded that even though the failure to include the summaries and/or documentation required by Rule 3001 deprived the proofs of claim of their prima

facie validity, this was not a basis for disallowing the claims in the absence of evidence the claims were not owed.

Also, as noted by the creditor's response, its claim is based on a Ohio judgment. The judgment is based on a note and mortgage encumbering Ohio real property which was not the debtor's residence. The note and mortgage merged into that judgment. Because the judgment is appended to the claim, the documentation for the claim is in fact append to the proof of claim.

The debtor also argues that the claimant is not the holder of the claim. However, as explained and documented in the response to the objection, the claimant received an assignment of the note and mortgage prior to the commencement of the Ohio action and then it prosecuted that action in its name.

The judgment is against, among others, the debtor and is in the amount of \$169,067.72 with interest at the rate of 14.99% from June 30, 2008. The judgment also permitted the plaintiff to sell the property at a sheriff's sale.

In the exhibits filed by the creditor in response to the objection there is a copy of the docket for the Ohio action. It indicates the sheriff's sale took place on or about September 14, 2009 and was confirmed by the Ohio court on September 25, 2009. The claimant paid \$16,667 for the real property of which all but \$610 was paid toward taxes, sheriff's fees and courts costs. The \$610 was paid to the claimant.

The debtor also argues that the claim should be disallowed because (1) the judgment specified it was to be satisfied only by foreclosure and (2) there is no evidence that a foreclosure occurred.

As noted above, both the judgment and the docket for the Ohio action are before the court as exhibits in support of the opposition to the objection. The judgment does not provide that it is to be satisfied only by a foreclosure. While it permits a foreclosure, it does not recite that it cannot be enforced as money judgment against the defendants, including the debtor. Further, the docket indicates that the foreclosure occurred on September 14, 2009 and was confirmed by the court on September 25, 2009.

The argument that the judgment does not provide for its collection as a money judgment is rejected for two reasons. First, as just noted, the judgment does not provide that it is not a money judgment. Second, the debtor appeared in the Ohio proceeding on October 25, 2016 in order to reopen the case, vacate the judgment, and stay execution of the judgment. Her motion was denied. If the judgment could not be enforced as a money judgment, given that the foreclosure was in 2009, why was the debtor attempting to stay execution of the judgment. The only logical explanation is that the judgment was being enforced as a money judgment and the debtor was attempting to block that attempt without success.

The debtor next argues that the money judgment is time barred because Ohio Revised Code \$ 2329.08 provides that the judgment may be collected only for two years from the date of the confirmation of the judicial sale. As noted above, the judicial sale was confirmed by the Ohio court on September 25, 2009 as so the two-year period has long since expired.

This is not, however, an accurate recitation of section 2329.08. It provides:

"Any judgment for money rendered in a court of record in this state upon any indebtedness which is secured or evidenced by a mortgage . . . on real property

. . . upon which real property there has been located a dwelling or dwellings for not more than two families which has been used in whole or in part as a home or farm dwelling or which at any time was held as a homestead by the person who executed or assumed such mortgage . . . shall be unenforceable as to any deficiency remaining due thereon, after the expiration of two years from the date of the confirmation of any judicial sale . . . "

There is no evidence with the objection that the debtor resided in the subject property or homesteaded it. As such, this provision has no apparent applicability to the debtor and the judgment. See Mutual Bldg. & Inv. v. Efros, 89 N.E.2d 648 (Ohio 1949). Instead, Ohio permits the judgment to be enforced for a period of at least ten years. See Ohio Revised Code § 2325.18. The judgment here is less than 10 years old.

3. 17-23812-A-13 CYNTHIA/DAVID MOH-1 RUTENSCHROER

MOTION TO
PAY SECURED PORTION OF CLAIM ETC.
7-24-17 [20]

- □ Telephone Appearance
- ☐ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: The motion will be denied.

The respondent holds a nonpurchase money security interest in two vehicles with a value of \$6,250. The lien was created in connection with a loan given to the debtor on March 9, 2016, more than one year before this case was filed on June 6, 2017.

There is no confirmed plan in this case.

To the extent this motion is attempting to value the vehicles, the motion will be denied because there is no evidence of value. That said, no motion is necessary inasmuch as the creditor's proof of claim admits to combined values of \$6,250 and the debtor agrees with those values.

To the extent this motion is seeking leave to pay the claim, the motion will be denied because the mechanism to pay a claim is to confirm a plan.

4. 16-25517-A-13 LORETTA COONEY MET-1

MOTION TO SELL 7-11-17 [22]

- □ 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 real property will be granted on the condition that the sale proceeds are used to pay 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.

5. 16-22928-A-13 NICOLE DOW EGS-1 BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, L.L.C. VS. MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 7-22-17 [66]

- □ Telephone Appearance
- □ Trustee Agrees with Ruling

Tentative Ruling: Because less than 28 days' notice of the hearing was given by the creditor, this motion is deemed brought pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2). Consequently, the other creditors, the debtor, 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 dismissed as moot.

A plan was confirmed in this case on October 11, 2016. That plan provided for the movant's claim as a Class 3 secured claim. This means that the plan provided for the surrender of the movant's collateral in order to satisfy its secured claim. It also provides at section 2.10:

"Class 3 includes all secured claims satisfied by the surrender of collateral. Upon confirmation of the plan, all bankruptcy stays are modified to allow a Class 3 secured claim holder to exercise its rights against its collateral."

Thus, the automatic stay of 11 U.S.C. \S 362(a) and the codebtor stay of 11 U.S.C. \S 1301 have already been terminated and the motion is moot.

FINAL RULINGS BEGIN HERE

6. 12-40002-A-13 STEVEN FERREIRA AND PGM-1 ARACELI BURCIAGA

MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN 6-29-17 [64]

Final Ruling: The court concludes that a hearing will not be helpful to its consideration and resolution of this matter. The court will not materially alter the relief requested and the issue raised by the trustee can be resolved by a nonmaterial modification to the plan. Accordingly, an actual hearing is unnecessary and this matter is removed from calendar for resolution without oral argument. See Boone v. Burk (In re Eliapo), 468 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2006).

The motion will be granted on the condition that the plan is further modified in the confirmation order to increase the interest rate payable on the Class 2A claim of Capital One from 4.25% to 4.5%. As further modified, the plan complies with 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

7. 14-21215-A-13 WILLIAM/CHERIE WALDEAR DEF-2

MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF DECEASED PARTY 6-21-17 [29]

Final Ruling: This motion has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(1) and Fed. R. Bankr. R. 2002(a)(6). The failure of the trustee, the United States Trustee, the 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 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.

Debtor William Waldear died on April 7, 2016. Prior to his death, the debtors confirmed but have not yet completed a plan. Both debtors filed a financial management certificate on November 17, 2014. See 11 U.S.C. §§ 110, 111, 1328(g)(1) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(c). The co-debtor, Cherie Waldear, is authorized pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 1016-1 to file the case-ending documents required by Local Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 5009-1. The clerk shall enter the discharge of both debtors when the co-debtor is otherwise entitled to a discharge.

8. 17-20742-A-13 CHARLES BARNARD EWV-125

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 6-24-17 [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 (9^{th} 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. $\S\S$ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

9. 17-22055-A-13 ROBERT/JULIE WARES MMM-1

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 6-26-17 [30]

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. $\S\S$ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

10. 16-24457-A-13 DAWN BARKLEY MJD-2

MOTION TO
MODIFY PLAN
6-23-17 [59]

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 debtor, 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 trustee, 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 modified plan complies with 11 U.S.C. $\S\S$ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

11. 12-29761-A-13 STEVEN SMALL AND SHELLI PGM-1 WING-SMALL

MOTION FOR
WAIVER OF FINANCIAL
MANAGEMENT COURSE AND SECTION 1328
CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENT
7-6-17 [34]

Final Ruling: This motion has been set for hearing on the notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(1) and Fed. R. Bankr. R. 2002(a)(6). The failure of the trustee, the United States Trustee, the 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

 $(9^{\rm th}$ 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 ($9^{\rm th}$ 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.

Debtor Shelli Wing-Small died on February 5, 2016. Prior to her death, the debtors confirmed but have not yet completed a plan. Neither debtor has filed a financial management certificate. See 11 U.S.C. §§ 110, 111, 1328(g)(1) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(c). The co-debtor, Steven Small, is authorized pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 1016-1 to file the case-ending documents required by Local Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 5009-1. The requirement that the deceased debtor complete a financial management course shall be waived. The surviving debtor, however, much complete the course and file a certificate. The clerk shall enter the discharge of both debtors when the co-debtor is otherwise entitled to a discharge.

12. 17-22863-A-13 CAITLIN MILLS LBG-2

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 6-14-17 [25]

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 [if the case is pending in the Sacramento Division] or United States Attorney, for the IRS, 2500 Tulare Street, Suite 4401, Fresno, CA 93721-1318 [if the case is pending in the Modesto or Fresno Divisions]; 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 addresses listed above.

13. 16-24364-A-13 RITA KAKALIA PGM-4

MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN 6-29-17 [60]

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 debtor, 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 trustee, 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 modified plan complies with 11 U.S.C. $\S\S$ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.

14. 17-21398-A-13 MARK LUNA MB-1

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 6-26-17 [31]

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. $\S\S$ 1322(a) & (b), 1323(c), 1325(a), and 1329.