# **UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**

Eastern District of California

Honorable Robert S. Bardwil Bankruptcy Judge Sacramento, California

November 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRE-HEARING DISPOSITIONS

1. Matters resolved without oral argument:

Unless otherwise stated, the court will prepare a civil minute order on each matter listed. If the moving party wants a more specific order, it should submit a proposed amended order to the court. In the event a party wishes to submit such an Order it needs to be titled 'Amended Civil Minute Order.'

If the moving party has received a response or is aware of any reason, such as a settlement, that a response may not have been filed, the moving party must contact Nancy Williams, the Courtroom Deputy, at (916) 930-4580 at least one hour prior to the scheduled hearing.

- The court will not continue any short cause evidentiary hearings scheduled below.
- 3. If a matter is denied or overruled without prejudice, the moving party may file a new motion or objection to claim with a new docket control number. The moving party may not simply re-notice the original motion.
- 4. If no disposition is set forth below, the matter will be heard as scheduled.

1.	14-26310-D-13	TRISHA JANEWAY	MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN
	EWG-2		9-28-15 [71]

Final ruling:

The relief requested in the motion is supported by the record and no timely opposition to the motion has been filed. Accordingly, the court will grant the motion by minute order and no appearance is necessary. The moving party is to lodge an order confirming the plan, amended plan, or modification to plan, and shall use the form of order which is attached as Exhibit 2 to General Order 05-03. The order is to be signed by the Chapter 13 trustee approving its form prior to the order being submitted to the court. 2. 14-26410-D-13 ENEDINA CHAVEZ-WILLIAMS MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN CLH-2 AND KENNETH WILLIAMS 9-29-15 [32]

3. 15-26511-D-13 ANGIELIQUE CAMPBELL OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF MDE-1

PLAN BY WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. 9-14-15 [19]

Final ruling:

This case was dismissed on September 23, 2015. As a result the objection will be overruled by minute order as moot. No appearance is necessary.

4. 14-26718-D-13 HELEODORO ALVAREZ MOTION FOR COMPENSATION FOR SSA-3 STEVEN S. ALTMAN, TRUSTEE'S ATTORNEY 10-7-15 [59]

5. 14-26718-D-13 HELEODORO ALVAREZ SSA-4

MOTION FOR COMPENSATION FOR BOB BRAZEAL, BROKER 10-7-15 [69]

6. 14-26718-D-13 HELEODORO ALVAREZ SSA-5 MOTION FOR COMPENSATION FOR IRMA EDMONDS, CHAPTER 7 TRUSTEE 10-7-15 [65]

7. 15-26318-D-13 JEFFREY/AMY BROWNING RDG-2
OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY RUSSELL D. GREER 10-2-15 [21]

8. 15-21621-D-13 JESUS/TERESA LOPEZ DCJ-3

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 9-17-15 [48]

9. 15-26625-D-13 ANTHONY MOORE EGS-1 OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY 10-7-15 [25]

Final ruling:

This case was dismissed on October 22, 2015. As a result the objection will be overruled by minute order as moot. No appearance is necessary.

10. 15-23828-D-13 SHERYL HUDSON WW-3

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 9-22-15 [72]

Final ruling:

This is the debtor's motion to confirm an amended chapter 13 plan. The motion will be denied because the moving party failed to serve all creditors, as required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(b). Specifically, the moving party failed to serve Adelaide Hudson, listed on the debtor's Schedule H as a co-debtor on both of her mortgages. Minimal research into the case law concerning § 101(5) and (10) of the Code discloses an extremely broad interpretation of "creditor," certainly one including co-debtors on obligations of the debtor. Further, the debtor was required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(a)(1) to list Adelaide Hudson on her master address list, which she failed to do, with the result that Adelaide Hudson has not received formal notice, or perhaps any notice, of this case in the five months it has been pending.

Adelaide Hudson is the debtor's 89-year old mother and a co-owner of the debtor's residence, with the debtor, and the plan proposes the debtor will sell the residence if she is unable to refinance the mortgages or obtain loan modifications. Adelaide Hudson resides with the debtor; her retirement and social security income funds \$3,421 of the household's total income of \$5,202. The debtor states in a declaration in response to First Nationwide Mortgage's opposition to this motion that her mother intends to continue to live in the property until she passes. She adds that the property has been remodeled to include improvements to make it accessible to her mother. In these circumstances especially, there is no excuse for omitting Adelaide Hudson from the master address list or from service of this motion. It may well be that the debtor would testify her mother is aware of the bankruptcy case and the proposed plan; that is not, however, an exception to Rules 1007(a)(1) and 2002(b).

As a result of this service defect, the motion will be denied and the court need not reach the issues raised by the trustee and First Nationwide Mortgage at this time. The motion will be denied by minute order. No appearance is necessary.

11. 14-29931-D-13 LISA ROCHA
WW-5
Final ruling:

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 9-22-15 [118]

This is the debtor's motion to confirm a third amended chapter 13 plan. The motion was filed September 22, 2015. Later the same day, the debtor filed a fourth amended plan. As a result of the filing of the fourth amended plan, this motion is moot. The motion will be denied as moot by minute order. No appearance is necessary.

12. 14-29931-D-13 LISA ROCHA WW-5 MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN 9-22-15 [122]

13. 11-45142-D-13 ELIZABETH LAJOS AT-1 TRADAN SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOC. VS.

CONTINUED MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 6-30-15 [154]

14. 11-45142-D-13 ELIZABETH LAJOS JBR-11

MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN 9-12-15 [175]

Final ruling:

The relief requested in the motion is supported by the record and no timely opposition to the motion has been filed. Accordingly, the court will grant the motion by minute order and no appearance is necessary. The moving party is to lodge an order confirming the plan, amended plan, or modification to plan, and shall use the form of order which is attached as Exhibit 2 to General Order 05-03. The order is to be signed by the Chapter 13 trustee approving its form prior to the order being submitted to the court.

15. 14-23842-D-13 ANGELA WARREN-BASS JCK-6 MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN 9-18-15 [111]

16. 15-25943-D-13 MICHAEL/PHYLLIS MIRANDA MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF PK-2 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. 9-22-15 [21]

Final ruling:

The matter is resolved without oral argument. This is the debtors' motion to value the secured claim of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. at \$0.00, pursuant to § 506(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. The creditor's claim is secured by a junior deed of trust on the debtors' residence and the amount owed on the senior encumbrance exceeds the value of the real property. No timely opposition has been filed and the relief requested in the motion is supported by the record. As such, the court will grant the motion and set the amount of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.'s secured claim at \$0.00 by minute order. No further relief will be afforded. No appearance is necessary.

17. 15-25943-D-13 MICHAEL/PHYLLIS MIRANDA MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN PK-3 9-22-15 [26]

Final ruling:

The relief requested in the motion is supported by the record and no timely opposition to the motion has been filed. Accordingly, the court will grant the motion by minute order and no appearance is necessary. The moving party is to lodge an order confirming the plan, amended plan, or modification to plan, and shall use the form of order which is attached as Exhibit 2 to General Order 05-03. The order is to be signed by the Chapter 13 trustee approving its form prior to the order being submitted to the court.

18.	15-27146-D-13	DENNIS THURSTON	MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF
	JCK-1		TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORPORATION
			9-24-15 [8]

#### Tentative ruling:

This is the debtor's motion to value the collateral of Toyota Motor Credit ("Toyota"), a 2013 Toyota Tundra, at \$22,000. Toyota has filed opposition. For the following reasons, the motion will be denied.

The Retail Installment Sale Contract attached to Toyota's proof of claim and filed as an exhibit to its opposition demonstrates that the debtor's debt to Toyota was incurred on June 28, 2013, which was 805 days prior to the date the debtor's petition was filed, September 11, 2015. The contract also demonstrates the debt was secured by a purchase money security interest and that the vehicle was acquired for the personal use of the debtor. As a result, the debtor may not value the collateral pursuant to § 506(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. Hanging paragraph following \$1325(a)(9).

For this reason, the motion will be denied. The court will hear the matter.

## 19. 15-24449-D-13 GUADALUPE/JAIME HERNANDEZ MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN RS-4 9-22-15 [70]

Final ruling:

The relief requested in the motion is supported by the record and no timely opposition to the motion has been filed. Accordingly, the court will grant the motion by minute order and no appearance is necessary. The moving party is to lodge an order confirming the plan, amended plan, or modification to plan, and shall use the form of order which is attached as Exhibit 2 to General Order 05-03. The order is to be signed by the Chapter 13 trustee approving its form prior to the order being submitted to the court. 20. 12-22966-D-13 DINA HARRIS-WILLIAMS JCK-6

MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN 9-18-15 [75]

Final ruling:

The relief requested in the motion is supported by the record and no timely opposition to the motion has been filed. Accordingly, the court will grant the motion by minute order and no appearance is necessary. The moving party is to lodge an order confirming the plan, amended plan, or modification to plan, and shall use the form of order which is attached as Exhibit 2 to General Order 05-03. The order is to be signed by the Chapter 13 trustee approving its form prior to the order being submitted to the court.

21.	15-27372-D-13 ROBER	TO RECONOSE	MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM
	BHT-1		AUTOMATIC STAY AND/OR MOTION
	CHRISTIANA TRUST VS		FOR RELIEF FROM CO-DEBTOR STAY
			9-30-15 [14]

### Final ruling:

This case was dismissed on October 21, 2015. As a result the motion will be denied by minute order as moot. No appearance is necessary.

22. 15-27275-D-13 GERARDO MARTINEZ JM-1 STEVE GIKAS VS. MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 10-4-15 [18]

Final ruling:

This case was dismissed on October 21, 2015. As a result the motion will be denied by minute order as moot. No appearance is necessary.

23.	15-27277-D-13	SADIE CROSBY	MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF
	MJH-1		SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING, LLC
			9-25-15 [14]

#### Final ruling:

The matter is resolved without oral argument. This is the debtor's motion to value the secured claim of Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC at 0.00, pursuant to 0.00 of the Bankruptcy Code. The creditor's claim is secured by a junior deed of trust on the debtor's residence and the amount owed on the senior encumbrance exceeds the value of the real property. No timely opposition has been filed and the relief requested in the motion is supported by the record. As such, the court will grant the motion and set the amount of Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC's secured claim at 0.00 by minute order. No further relief will be afforded. No appearance is necessary.

24. 15-26496-D-13 BELINDA SMITH WJS-1 OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY PNC BANK, N.A. 10-2-15 [33]

Final ruling:

This case was dismissed on October 22, 2015. As a result the objection will be overruled by minute order as moot. No appearance is necessary.

25. 15-26496-D-13 BELINDA SMITH WJS-2 PNC BANK, N.A. VS.

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY 10-2-15 [26]

26. 15-26417-D-13 CHRISTOPHER/SONJA IORIO KDG-1 BY SAN JOAQUIN POWER EMPLOYEES CREDIT UNION 10-14-15 [22]

27. 15-26417-D-13 CHRISTOPHER/SONJA IORIO OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF SAS-1 OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY PAN AMERICAN BANK 10-14-15 [19] 28. 15-26625-D-13 ANTHONY MOORE RDG-2 OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY TRUSTEE RUSSELL D. GREER 10-9-15 [29]

Final ruling:

This case was dismissed on October 22, 2015. As a result the objection will be overruled by minute order as moot. No appearance is necessary.

29. 15-23828-D-13 SHERYL HUDSON WW-3

OBJECTION TO NOTICE OF MORTGAGE PAYMENT CHANGE 10-20-15 [91]

30. 15-23828-D-13 SHERYL HUDSON BHT-2 OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY FIRST NATIONWIDE MORTGAGE CORPORATION 10-12-15 [81]

## Final ruling:

This is an objection to confirmation filed by First Nationwide Mortgage. First Nationwide also filed a notice of hearing on the objection and included a new docket control number, BHT-2, on the objection, notice of hearing, exhibits, and proof of service. These are the procedures a creditor is to use to object to an original plan filed by a debtor, pursuant to LBR 3015-1(c)(4). In this case, however, the trustee's objection to confirmation of the debtor's original plan was sustained and the debtor has filed an amended plan. It is clear First Nationwide's objection to confirm it, Item 10 on this calendar. Thus, First Nationwide was required to file an opposition to the motion to confirm and to include on the opposition the same docket control number the debtor used for the motion, pursuant to LBR 9014-1(c)(4). See LBR 3015-1(d)(1). First Nationwide's choice instead to file an objection to confirmation, with its own notice of hearing and its own docket control number, has created confusion on the court's docket and unnecessary difficulty for the court in its review of these matters.

As a result, the objection will be overruled by minute order. No appearance is necessary. The court notes that no detriment will accrue to First Nationwide because the debtor's motion to confirm is being denied because of a service defect. First Nationwide is requested to observe the proper procedure in future matters. 31. 10-44434-D-13 JEFFREY WEDEPOHL AND MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF JDP-1 MARIA CABRAL

CITIBANK, N.A. 10-14-15 [48]

# Final ruling:

This is the debtors' motion to value collateral of Citibank, N.A. (the "Bank"). The motion will be denied because the moving parties failed to serve the Bank in strict compliance with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(h), as required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9014(b). The moving parties served the Bank (1) to the attention of an officer; (2) through a corporate agent for service of process, although not one registered with the California Secretary of State as agent for service of the Bank; and (3) at two different post office box addresses, with no attention line.

All three methods were insufficient because there is no evidence service was made by certified mail, as required by Rule 7004(h). The second method was insufficient for the additional reason that the rule requires service on an FDICinsured institution, such as the Bank, to the attention of an officer whereas it is unlikely an officer of the Bank is to be found at the location of a corporate agent for service of process. The third method was insufficient for the additional reason that the rule requires service on an FDIC-insured institution to the attention of an officer whereas here, there was no attention line.

As a s result of this service defect, the motion will be denied by minute order. No appearance is necessary.

32. 10-40851-D-13 ROBERTO/OFELIA TORNERO MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF JDP-1 BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. 10-14-15 [46]

33. 13-27868-D-13 BRENT/KATRINA CANNON MOTION TO INCUR DEBT CJY-1

10-16-15 [18]

34.15-26176-D-13CARLTON RANDLE ANDCONTINUED OBJECTION TORDG-1CATHERINE DENOSCONFIRMATION OF PLAN B'

CONTINUED OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY RUSSELL D. GREER 9-21-15 [17]

## Final ruling:

Objection withdrawn by moving party. Matter removed from calendar.

35. 15-26579-D-13 JAMEESE GUESS RDG-1 DELAN BY RUSSELL D. GREER 10-13-15 [39]

36. 15-26579-D-13 JAMEESE GUESS VVF-1 CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY FLAGSHIP CREDIT ACCEPTANCE, LLC 9-17-15 [33]

### Final ruling:

This objection has been resolved by stipulated order entered October 16, 2015. Matter removed from calendar.

37.	15-26687-D-13	ARNOLD/MICHELLE	JAMES	OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF
	RDG-1			PLAN BY RUSSELL D. GREER
				10-9-15 [16]

38. 15-27290-D-13 ALBERT/MARY HAYNES MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF JGL-1

WELLS FARGO DEALER SERVICES 10-19-15 [24]

39. 15-27290-D-13 ALBERT/MARY HAYNES MOTION TO CONFIRM TERMINATION AP-1

OR ABSENCE OF STAY 10-16-15 [17]

40. 15-26496-D-13 BELINDA SMITH RDG-2

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY RUSSELL D. GREER 10-9-15 [37]

Final ruling:

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This case was dismissed on October 22, 2015. As a result the objection will be overruled by minute order as moot. No appearance is necessary.

41. 14-30697-D-13 CAROLE PETERSEN CONTINUED MOTION TO RECONVERT RDG-2 CASE TO CHAPTER 7 10-6-15 [149]