



**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
Eastern District of California**

Chief Judge Fredrick E. Clement
Sacramento Federal Courthouse
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Courtroom 28, Department A
Sacramento, California

DAY: TUESDAY
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CALENDAR: 9:00 A.M. CHAPTER 13 CASES

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PRE-HEARING DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS

RULINGS

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

"No Ruling" means the likely disposition of the matter will not be disclosed in advance of the hearing. The matter will be called; parties wishing to be heard should rise and be heard.

"Tentative Ruling" means the likely disposition, and the reasons therefor, are set forth herein. The matter will be called. Aggrieved parties or parties for whom written opposition was not required should rise and be heard. Parties favored by the tentative ruling need not appear. However, non-appearing parties are advised that the court may adopt a ruling other than that set forth herein without further hearing or notice.

"Final Ruling" means that the matter will be resolved in the manner, and for the reasons, indicated below. The matter will not be called; parties and/or counsel need not appear and will not be heard on the matter.

CHANGES TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED RULINGS

On occasion, the court will change its intended ruling on some of the matters to be called and will republish its rulings. The parties and counsel are advised to recheck the posted rulings after 3:00 p.m. on the next business day prior to the hearing. Any such changed ruling will be preceded by the following bold face text: **"[Since posting its original rulings, the court has changed its intended ruling on this matter]"**.

ERRORS IN RULINGS

Clerical errors of an insignificant nature, e.g., nomenclature ("2017 Honda Accord," rather than "2016 Honda Accord"), amounts, ("\$880," not "\$808"), may be corrected in (1) tentative rulings by appearance at the hearing; or (2) final rulings by appropriate ex parte application. Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(a) *incorporated by* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9024. All other errors, including those occasioned by mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect, must be corrected by noticed motion. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 60(b), *incorporated by* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9023.

1. [24-24305](#)-A-13 **IN RE: ROBERT SOUZA**
[DPC-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY TRUSTEE DAVID P. CUSICK
11-13-2024 [\[16\]](#)

MIKALAH LIVIAKIS/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Objection: Trustee's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

The Chapter 13 trustee objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the Chapter 13 trustee's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagree with the trustee's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the trustee's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and

include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the trustee shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the Chapter 13 trustee's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the parties resolve the trustee's objection, and there are no additional objections to confirmation pending, then the debtor(s) may submit an order confirming the plan which has been signed by the Chapter 13 trustee. The trustee's signature on the order confirming plan represents to the court that no further objections to confirmation of the proposed plan are pending.

2. [24-24807](#)-A-13 **IN RE: TINA JACKSON-SHAHEED**
[MS-1](#)

MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT
CORPORATION
10-28-2024 [\[8\]](#)

MARK SHMORGON/ATTY. FOR DBT.
TRUSTEE NON-OPPOSITION

No Ruling

3. [22-20309](#)-A-13 **IN RE: FRANK RANDLE**
[JLK-1](#)

MOTION TO REFINANCE
11-4-2024 [\[36\]](#)

JAMES KEENAN/ATTY. FOR DBT.
RESPONSIVE PLEADING

Final Ruling

Motion: Approve New Debt

Notice: LBR 9014-1(f)(1); written opposition required

Disposition: Denied without prejudice

Order: Civil minute order

The debtor seeks an order approving a motion to incur debt. The Chapter 13 trustee opposes the motion.

The debtor's motion will be denied without prejudice because the debtor has failed to file any admissible evidence in support of the

motion as required. LBR 9014-1(d)(3)(D). There is no declaration by the debtor which: (1) authenticates the exhibits; (2) explains the need for the requested relief; or (3) describes the impact of requested relief on the currently confirmed Chapter 13 Plan.

This information is part of the debtor's prima facie case for the relief requested and must be filed at the outset of the motion and not in response to the trustee's opposition to the motion.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Debtor's motion to incur debt has been presented to the court. Given the procedural deficiencies discussed by the court in its ruling,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion is denied without prejudice.

4. [24-24212](#)-A-13 **IN RE: RANDY YASSINE**
[DPC-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P. CUSICK
11-14-2024 [[16](#)]

MATTHEW DECAMINADA/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Objection: Trustee's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

The Chapter 13 trustee objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

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(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagree with the trustee's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the trustee's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the trustee shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the Chapter 13 trustee's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the parties resolve the trustee's objection, and there are no additional objections to confirmation pending, then the debtor(s) may submit an order confirming the plan which has been signed by the Chapter 13 trustee. The trustee's signature on the order confirming plan represents to the court that no further objections to confirmation of the proposed plan are pending.

5. [24-24523](#)-A-13 **IN RE: AMBER BARBOSA-CUSPARD**

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE TO PAY FEES
11-13-2024 [\[21\]](#)

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

As the installment fees have been paid in full, the order to show cause is discharged. The case will remain pending.

6. [23-22825](#)-A-13 **IN RE: KAREN JOHNSON**
[FWP-2](#)

CONTINUED MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY
9-24-2024 [\[48\]](#)

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.
THOMAS PHINNEY/ATTY. FOR MV.
JOSEPH J. BAMBINO, TRUSTEE OF THE BAMBINO FAMILY
TRUST DATED MAY 23, 1990 VS.

No Ruling

7. [23-22825](#)-A-13 **IN RE: KAREN JOHNSON**
[PGM-1](#)

CONTINUED MOTION BY PETER G. MACALUSO TO WITHDRAW AS
ATTORNEY
10-1-2024 [\[57\]](#)

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.

No Ruling

8. [23-22129](#)-A-13 **IN RE: HERMINIO/JOAN BERNAS**
[SKI-1](#)

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY
10-25-2024 [\[47\]](#)

MOHAMMAD MOKARRAM/ATTY. FOR DBT.
SHERYL ITH/ATTY. FOR MV.
HYUNDAI CAPITAL AMERICA VS.

Final Ruling

Motion: Stay Relief

Notice: LBR 9014-1(f)(1); written opposition required

Disposition: Granted

Order: Civil minute order

Subject: 2022 Hyundai Tucson

Unopposed motions are subject to the rules of default. Fed. R. Civ. P. 55, *incorporated by* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7055, 9014(c). Written opposition to this motion was required not less than 14 days before the hearing on this motion. LBR 9014-1(f)(1)(B). None has been filed. The default of the responding party is entered. The court considers the record, accepting well-pleaded facts as true. *TeleVideo Sys., Inc. v. Heidenthal*, 826 F.2d 915, 917-18 (9th Cir. 1987).

Hyundai Capital America seeks an order for relief from the automatic stay of 11 U.S.C. § 362(a). The debtors leased the vehicle from the movant and the claim is provided for in the confirmed Chapter 13 Plan in § 4.02 – Executory Contracts.

The lease matured September 19, 2024, and the debtors voluntarily surrendered the vehicle to the movant. The \$400 turn in fee has not been paid and the movant has received no payments on the \$17,212.65 which is now due.

STAY RELIEF

Section 362(d)(1) authorizes stay relief for cause shown. 11 U.S.C. § 362(d)(1). The debtor is obligated to make payments to the moving party pursuant to a lease agreement by which the debtor leases the vehicle described above. The debtor has defaulted under such lease agreement as \$17,212.65 is now due.

The moving party's interest in the vehicle is not being adequately protected due to the debtor's ongoing postpetition default. See 11 U.S.C. § 1326(a)(1)(B) (requiring personal property lease payments to commence not later than 30 days after the petition).

Therefore, cause exists to grant relief under § 362(d)(1). The motion will be granted, and the 14-day stay of Federal Rule of

Bankruptcy Procedure 4001(a)(3) will be waived. No other relief will be awarded.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Findings of fact and conclusions of law are stated in the civil minutes for the hearing.

Hyundai Capital America's motion for relief from the automatic stay has been presented to the court. Having entered the default of respondent for failure to appear, timely oppose, or otherwise defend in the matter, and having considered the well-pleaded facts of the motion,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion is granted. The automatic stay is vacated with respect to the property described in the motion, commonly known as a 2022 Hyundai Tucson, as to all parties in interest. The 14-day stay of the order under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 4001(a)(3) is waived. Any party with standing may pursue its rights against the property pursuant to applicable non-bankruptcy law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no other relief is awarded. To the extent that the motion includes any request for attorney's fees or other costs for bringing this motion, the request is denied.

9. [24-24939](#)-A-13 **IN RE: NICHOLE PIKE**

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - FAILURE TO PAY FEES
11-14-2024 [[13](#)]

RHONDA WALKER/ATTY. FOR DBT.
11/14/2024 FILING FEE PAID \$313

Final Ruling

As the fee has been paid in full, the order to show cause is discharged. The case will remain pending.

10. [24-23447](#)-A-13 **IN RE: STEPHANIE CHITWOOD**
[DPC-1](#)

CONTINUED OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P.
CUSICK
9-25-2024 [\[21\]](#)

EVAN LIVINGSTONE/ATTY. FOR DBT.
DEBTOR NON-OPPOSITION

Final Ruling

Objection: Trustee's Objection to Confirmation of Plan
Notice: Continued from October 22, 2024
Disposition: Sustained
Order: Civil minute order

The hearing on the Chapter 13 trustee's objection to confirmation was continued to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The debtor has filed a statement indicating that she intends to file a motion to value collateral and acknowledging that the previously filed motion to value was denied by the court. Response, ECF No. 48. Accordingly, the court will sustain this objection because the motion to value collateral must be granted prior to confirmation. LBR 3015-1(i).

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Findings of fact and conclusions of law are stated in the civil minutes for the hearing.

The trustee's objection to confirmation has been presented to the court. Having considered the objection, oppositions, responses, and replies, if any, and having heard oral argument presented at the hearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the objection is sustained.

11. [24-23447](#)-A-13 **IN RE: STEPHANIE CHITWOOD**
[DWE-1](#)

CONTINUED OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY M&T BANK
9-26-2024 [\[25\]](#)

EVAN LIVINGSTONE/ATTY. FOR DBT.
DANE EXNOWSKI/ATTY. FOR MV.
DEBTOR NON-OPPOSITION

Final Ruling

Objection: Creditor's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: Continued from October 22, 2024

Disposition: Sustained

Order: Civil minute order

The hearing on M&T Bank's objection to confirmation was continued to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The debtor has filed a statement indicating that she intends to file a motion to value the objecting creditor's collateral. Response, ECF No. 50. Accordingly, the court will sustain this objection because a motion to value collateral must be granted prior to plan confirmation. LBR 3015-1(i).

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Findings of fact and conclusions of law are stated in the civil minutes for the hearing.

The creditor's objection to confirmation has been presented to the court. Having considered the objection, oppositions, responses, and replies, if any, and having heard oral argument presented at the hearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the objection is sustained.

12. [24-24247](#)-A-13 **IN RE: NEERAJ BHARDWAJ**
[DPC-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P. CUSICK
11-13-2024 [\[30\]](#)

SCOTT JOHNSON/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Objection: Trustee's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

The Chapter 13 trustee objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

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(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagree with the trustee's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the trustee's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and

include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the trustee shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the Chapter 13 trustee's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the parties resolve the trustee's objection, and there are no additional objections to confirmation pending, then the debtor(s) may submit an order confirming the plan which has been signed by the Chapter 13 trustee. The trustee's signature on the order confirming plan represents to the court that no further objections to confirmation of the proposed plan are pending.

13. [24-24247](#)-A-13 **IN RE: NEERAJ BHARDWAJ**
[PPR-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY FLAGSTAR BANK, N.A.
10-28-2024 [\[23\]](#)

SCOTT JOHNSON/ATTY. FOR DBT.
LEE RAPHAEL/ATTY. FOR MV.

Final Ruling

Objection: Creditor's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

Creditor, Flagstar Bank, N.A., objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the creditor's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagrees with the creditor's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the creditor's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the creditor shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the creditor's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any stipulation between the parties resolving this matter must be approved and signed by the Chapter 13 trustee prior to filing with the court. The trustee's signature on the stipulation warrants that the terms of the proposed stipulation do not impact the plan's compliance with 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a).

14. [22-22749](#)-A-13 **IN RE: MICHAEL WYCLIFFE AND REBECCA WEAVER**
[DPC-1](#)

CONTINUED MOTION TO DISMISS CASE
9-18-2024 [\[67\]](#)

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.
RESPONSIVE PLEADING

Tentative Ruling

Motion: Dismiss Case

Notice: Continued from October 22, 2024

Disposition: Granted

Order: Civil minute order

Opposition Due: November 11, 2024

Opposition Filed: November 12, 2024 - timely

Cause: 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(6) - Plan Delinquency

Best Interests of Creditors/Estate: Dismiss

The chapter 13 trustee moves to dismiss this case, asserting that cause exists under § 1307(c)(6) as the debtor has failed to make all payments due under the confirmed plan. The trustee contends that the plan payments are delinquent in the amount of \$2,724.00, with one payment(s) of \$997.00 due before the hearing on this motion.

The debtor has filed a timely opposition which is accompanied by the Declaration of the Debtor, ECF Nos. 76, 77. The debtor's declaration states that the debtor will bring the plan payment current by the date of the hearing on this motion. See Declaration, ECF No. 77.

The opposition does not fully resolve the grounds for dismissal. A delinquency still exists as of the date of the opposition. A statement of intent to pay the delinquency on or before a future date is not equivalent to cure of the delinquency. The court is unable to deny the motion given the outstanding delinquency.

11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)

Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, on request of a party in interest or the United States trustee and after notice and a hearing, the court may convert a case under this chapter to a case under chapter 7 of this title, or may dismiss a case under this chapter, whichever is in the best interests of creditors and the estate, for cause, including—

...

11 U.S.C. § 1307(c).

The court finds that dismissal is in the best interests of the creditors and the estate. This case has not been previously converted from a chapter 7. The court will dismiss the case.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Findings of fact and conclusions of law are stated in the civil minutes for the hearing.

The trustee's motion to dismiss has been presented to the court. Having considered the motion, the opposition, responses, and oral argument at the hearing, if any, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion is granted. The debtor has failed to make all payments due under the confirmed chapter 13 plan in this case. Delinquency constitutes cause to dismiss this case. 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1), (6). The court hereby dismisses this case.

15. [24-24252](#)-A-13 **IN RE: GUY ARCHBOLD**
[AP-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
11-4-2024 [[27](#)]

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.
WENDY LOCKE/ATTY. FOR MV.

Final Ruling

This case was dismissed on November 19, 2024. Accordingly, the objection will be removed from the calendar as moot. No appearances are required.

16. [24-24252](#)-A-13 **IN RE: GUY ARCHBOLD**
[DPC-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P. CUSICK
11-14-2024 [[30](#)]

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

This case was dismissed on November 19, 2024. Accordingly, the objection will be removed from the calendar as moot. No appearances are required.

17. [23-24054](#)-A-13 **IN RE: TEODULFO/ANNALYN DELA CRUZ**
[DPC-1](#)

CONTINUED MOTION TO DISMISS CASE
10-8-2024 [\[36\]](#)

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Motion: Dismiss Case

Notice: Continued from November 5, 2024

Disposition: Denied

Order: Civil minute order

The hearing on this motion was continued from November 5, 2024, to allow for hearing on the debtor's motion to modify the chapter 13 plan. The motion to modify, (PGM-2) has been granted.

Accordingly, the court will deny the motion to dismiss.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Findings of fact and conclusions of law are stated in the civil minutes for the hearing.

The trustee's motion to dismiss has been presented to the court. Having considered the motion, the opposition, responses, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion is denied.

18. [23-24054](#)-A-13 **IN RE: TEODULFO/ANNALYN DELA CRUZ**
[PGM-2](#)

MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN
10-22-2024 [\[40\]](#)

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.
TRUSTEE NON-OPPOSITION

Final Ruling

Motion: Modify Chapter 13 Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(d)(2), 9014-1(f)(1); written opposition required

Disposition: Granted

Order: Prepared by movant, approved by the trustee

Subject: First Modified Chapter 13 Plan, filed October 22, 2024

DEFAULT OF RESPONDENT

Unopposed motions are subject to the rules of default. Fed. R. Civ. P. 55, incorporated by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7055, 9014(c). Written opposition to this motion was required not less than 14 days before the hearing on this motion. LBR 9014-1(f)(1)(B). None has been filed. The default of the responding party is entered. The court considers the record, accepting well-pleaded facts as true. *TeleVideo Sys., Inc. v. Heidenthal*, 826 F.2d 915, 917-18 (9th Cir. 1987).

The debtor(s) seek approval of the proposed modified Chapter 13 Plan. The plan is supported by Schedules I and J filed on October 22, 2024, ECF No. 45. The Chapter 13 trustee has filed a non-opposition to the motion, ECF No. 52.

CHAPTER 13 PLAN MODIFICATION

Chapter 13 plan modification is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1323, 1325, 1329 and by Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(a)(5) and 3015(g) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. "[T]he only limits on modification are those set forth in the language of the Code itself, coupled with the bankruptcy judge's discretion and good judgment in reviewing the motion to modify." *In re Powers*, 202 B.R. 618, 622 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1996).

Chapter 13 debtors seeking plan modification have the burden of proving that all requirements of § 1322(a) and (b) and § 1325(a) have been met. See 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322(a)-(b), 1325(a), 1329(b)(1); see also *In re Powers*, 202 B.R. at 622 ("[Section] 1329(b)(1) protects the parties from unwarranted modification motions by ensuring that the proposed modifications satisfy the same standards as required of the initial plan."); see also *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407 (9th Cir. 1994); *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1408 (9th Cir. 1995).

The court finds that the debtor has sustained this burden of proof.
The court will grant the motion and approve the modification.

19. [24-24454](#)-A-13 **IN RE: LILIT MARTIROSYAN**
[FH-1](#)

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY
11-1-2024 [\[15\]](#)

MARK SHMORGON/ATTY. FOR DBT.
KIMBERLY FINEMAN/ATTY. FOR MV.
BLEECKER FAMILY TRUST VS.
RESPONSIVE PLEADING

No Ruling

20. [24-24156](#)-A-13 **IN RE: MICHELLE SUMMERS**
[DPC-2](#)

MOTION TO DISMISS CASE
10-29-2024 [\[15\]](#)

Tentative Ruling

Motion: Dismiss Case

Notice: LBR 9014-1(f)(1); written opposition required

Disposition: Granted

Order: Civil minute order

Opposition Due: November 20, 2024

Opposition Filed: Unopposed

Cause: 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1) - Plan Delinquency

Best Interests of Creditors/Estate: Dismiss

Unopposed motions are subject to the rules of default. Fed. R. Civ. P. 55, *incorporated by* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7055, 9014(c). Written opposition to this motion was required not less than 14 days before the hearing on this motion. LBR 9014-1(f)(1)(B). None has been filed. The default of the responding party is entered. The court considers the record, accepting well-pleaded facts as true. *TeleVideo Sys., Inc. v. Heidenthal*, 826 F.2d 915, 917-18 (9th Cir. 1987).

CASE DISMISSAL

The chapter 13 trustee moves to dismiss this chapter 13 case because: (1) the debtor failed to attend the meeting of creditors; (2) the debtor failed to provide documents to the trustee as required; (3) the debtor failed to provide proof of Social Security and government issued identification to the trustee as requested; and (4) the debtor failed to file complete and/or signed bankruptcy documents as required. The trustee contends each of these bases

constitute unreasonable delay which is prejudicial to creditors under 11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)(1).

MEETING OF CREDITORS

The debtor shall appear and submit to examination under oath at the meeting of creditors under section 341(a) of this title. Creditors, any indenture trustee, any trustee or examiner in the case, or the United States trustee may examine the debtor. The United States trustee may administer the oath required under this section.

11 U.S.C. § 343.

All debtors are required to attend the meeting of creditors. The debtor did not attend the scheduled meeting ON October 24, 2024, as required.

SOCIAL SECURITY DOCUMENTATION

(b) Individual debtor's duty to provide documentation
(1) Personal identification

Every individual debtor shall bring to the meeting of creditors under § 341:

(A) a picture identification issued by a governmental unit, or other personal identifying information that establishes the debtor's identity; and

(B) *evidence of social-security number(s), or a written statement that such documentation does not exist.*

Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4002 (emphasis added).

The debtor(s) failed to provide the required social security information prior to the meeting of creditors.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTS

Section 521(a), (e) & Rule 4002(b) Documents

The debtor has not provided the trustee the tax return and/or 60 day pay advices were not provided to the trustee at least 7 days prior to the meeting of creditors.

For the reasons stated in the motion, cause exists under § 1307(c)(1) to dismiss the case.

11 U.S.C. § 1307(c)

Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, on request of a party in interest or the United States trustee and after notice and a hearing, the court may convert a case under this chapter to a case under chapter 7 of this title, or may dismiss a case under

this chapter, whichever is in the best interests of creditors and the estate, for cause, including—

...

11 U.S.C. § 1307(c).

The court finds that dismissal is in the best interests of the creditors and the estate. This case has not been previously converted from a chapter 7.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Findings of fact and conclusions of law are stated in the civil minutes for the hearing.

The trustee's motion to dismiss this chapter 13 case has been presented to the court. Having entered the default of respondent debtor for failure to appear, timely oppose, or otherwise defend in the matter, and having considered the well-pleaded facts of the motion,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion is granted because of the delinquency under the chapter 13 plan in this case. The court hereby dismisses this case.

21. [24-24257](#)-A-13 **IN RE: JAIME ARMENDARIZ**
[DPC-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P CUSICK
11-13-2024 [\[16\]](#)

PETER MACALUSO/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Objection: Trustee's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

The Chapter 13 trustee objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation.

In re Andrews, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the Chapter 13 trustee's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagree with the trustee's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the trustee's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the trustee shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the Chapter 13 trustee's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the parties resolve the trustee's objection, and there are no additional objections to confirmation pending, then the debtor(s) may submit an order confirming the plan which has been signed by the Chapter 13 trustee. The trustee's signature on the order confirming plan represents to the court that no further objections to confirmation of the proposed plan are pending.

22. [24-24267](#)-A-13 **IN RE: RIKI TROWE**
[DPC-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P. CUSICK
11-13-2024 [\[16\]](#)

OMERO BANUELOS/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Objection: Trustee's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

The Chapter 13 trustee objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the Chapter 13 trustee's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagree with the trustee's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the trustee's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and

include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the trustee shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the Chapter 13 trustee's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the parties resolve the trustee's objection, and there are no additional objections to confirmation pending, then the debtor(s) may submit an order confirming the plan which has been signed by the Chapter 13 trustee. The trustee's signature on the order confirming plan represents to the court that no further objections to confirmation of the proposed plan are pending.

23. [24-24267](#)-A-13 **IN RE: RIKI TROWE**
[SLO-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY COLUTIONS, LLC AND
VENTURA SEED COMPANY, LLC
11-14-2024 [\[20\]](#)

OMERO BANUELOS/ATTY. FOR DBT.
R. YOUNG/ATTY. FOR MV.

Final Ruling

Objection: Creditor's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

Creditor Colutions LLC, and Ventura Seed Company, LLC, objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the Chapter 13 trustee's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagree with the trustee's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the trustee's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the trustee shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the Chapter 13 trustee's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the parties resolve the trustee's objection, and there are no additional objections to confirmation pending, then the debtor(s) may submit an order confirming the plan which has been signed by the Chapter 13 trustee. The trustee's signature on the order confirming plan represents to the court that no further objections to confirmation of the proposed plan are pending.

24. [24-23477](#)-A-13 **IN RE: JOSHUA WILLIAMS**
[BRL-1](#)

CONTINUED OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY FOOTHILL
MORTGAGE FUND OF OLYMPIA, LLC
9-24-2024 [\[21\]](#)

GABRIEL LIBERMAN/ATTY. FOR DBT.
BENJAMIN LEVINSON/ATTY. FOR MV.

Final Ruling

Matter: Objection to Confirmation of Chapter 13 Plan
Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4); no written opposition required
Disposition: Overruled as moot
Order: Civil minute order

Chapter 13 debtors may modify the plan before confirmation. 11 U.S.C. § 1323(a). If the debtor files a modification of the plan under § 1323, the modified plan becomes the plan. 11 U.S.C. § 1323(b). Filing a modified plan renders moot any objection to confirmation of the prior plan. The debtor has filed a modified plan after this objection to confirmation was filed. The objection will be overruled as moot.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the objection to confirmation is overruled as moot.

25. [24-23477](#)-A-13 **IN RE: JOSHUA WILLIAMS**
[CCR-1](#)

CONTINUED OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY MICHAEL JACOB
AND DENISE MEIER
9-26-2024 [[30](#)]

GABRIEL LIBERMAN/ATTY. FOR DBT.
CHERYL ROUSE/ATTY. FOR MV.

Final Ruling

Matter: Objection to Confirmation of Chapter 13 Plan
Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4); no written opposition required
Disposition: Overruled as moot
Order: Civil minute order

Chapter 13 debtors may modify the plan before confirmation. 11 U.S.C. § 1323(a). If the debtor files a modification of the plan under § 1323, the modified plan becomes the plan. 11 U.S.C. § 1323(b). Filing a modified plan renders moot any objection to confirmation of the prior plan. The debtor has filed a modified plan after this objection to confirmation was filed. The objection will be overruled as moot.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the objection to confirmation is overruled as moot.

26. [24-23477](#)-A-13 **IN RE: JOSHUA WILLIAMS**
[DPC-1](#)

CONTINUED OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P.
CUSICK
9-26-2024 [\[26\]](#)

GABRIEL LIBERMAN/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Matter: Objection to Confirmation of Chapter 13 Plan
Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4); no written opposition required
Disposition: Overruled as moot
Order: Civil minute order

Chapter 13 debtors may modify the plan before confirmation. 11 U.S.C. § 1323(a). If the debtor files a modification of the plan under § 1323, the modified plan becomes the plan. 11 U.S.C. § 1323(b). Filing a modified plan renders moot any objection to confirmation of the prior plan. The debtor has filed a modified plan after this objection to confirmation was filed. The objection will be overruled as moot.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the objection to confirmation is overruled as moot.

27. [23-23778](#)-A-13 **IN RE: SYBILLE WASSNER**
[DPC-3](#)

CONTINUED MOTION TO DISMISS CASE
10-2-2024 [\[79\]](#)

KEVIN TANG/ATTY. FOR DBT.

No Ruling

28. [23-23778](#)-A-13 **IN RE: SYBILLE WASSNER**
[TAA-3](#)

MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN
10-22-2024 [\[86\]](#)

KEVIN TANG/ATTY. FOR DBT.
TRUSTEE NON-OPPOSITION

Final Ruling

Motion: Confirm Chapter 13 Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(d)(1), 9014-1(f)(1); written opposition required

Disposition: Denied

Order: Civil minute order

The motion requests confirmation of the Chapter 13 plan in this case. See 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1323, 1325; Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(b); LBR 3015-1(d)(1)-(2). The Chapter 13 trustee opposes the motion, objecting to confirmation.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

PLAN FEASIBILITY

The proposed plan must be feasible. 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a)(6). Feasibility is a "factual determination" as to the plan's "reasonable likelihood of success." *First Nat'l Bank of Boston v. Fantasia (In re Fantasia)*, 211 B.R. 420, 423 (B.A.P. 1st Cir. 1997). The bankruptcy court needs to "be satisfied that the debtor has the present as well as the future financial capacity to comply with the terms of the plan." *Id.* As one court summarized feasibility, "Thus, a plan is not feasible and is not confirmable if a debtor's income will not support the plan's proposed payments. *In re Barnes*, 275 B.R. 889, 894 (Bankr. E.D. Cal.2002) ("[T]he debtors showed no disposable income with which to fund a plan.... [T]he debtors have been unable to actually pay the amount projected ... to the trustee."); *In re Bernardes*, 267 B.R. 690, 695 (Bankr. D.N.J. 2001) ("While the feasibility requirement is not rigorous ... the plan proponent must, at minimum, demonstrate that the Debtor's income exceeds expenses by an amount sufficient to make the payments proposed by the plan."); *In re Wilkinson*, 99 B.R. 366, 369 (Bankr. N.D. Ohio 1989) ("[D]ebtors will not be able to comply with the plan and make all payments thereunder."). *In re Buccolo*, 397 B.R. 527, 530 (Bankr. D.N.J. 2008), *aff'd*, 2009 WL 2132435 (D.N.J. July 13, 2009).

Schedules I and J

The debtor has not supported the plan by filing recently amended Schedules I and J. The most recently filed budget schedules were filed on February 12, 2024, 9 months ago, ECF No. 29. Without current income and expense information the court and the chapter 13 trustee are unable to determine whether the plan is feasible or whether the plan has been proposed in good faith. See 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a)(3), (6).

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

Findings of fact and conclusions of law are stated in the civil minutes for the hearing.

The debtor's motion to confirm a chapter 13 plan has been presented to the court. Having considered the motion together with papers filed in support and opposition to it, and having heard the arguments of counsel, if any, and good cause appearing, presented at the hearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion is denied. The court denies confirmation of the chapter 13 plan.

29. [24-24195](#)-A-13 **IN RE: BRANDAN GRIEGO**
[DPC-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY DAVID P. CUSICK
11-13-2024 [[30](#)]

NICHOLAS WAJDA/ATTY. FOR DBT.

Final Ruling

Objection: Trustee's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

The Chapter 13 trustee objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the Chapter 13 trustee's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagree with the trustee's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the trustee's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the trustee shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the Chapter 13 trustee's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the parties resolve the trustee's objection, and there are no additional objections to confirmation pending, then the debtor(s) may submit an order confirming the plan which has been signed by the Chapter 13 trustee. The trustee's signature on the order confirming plan represents to the court that no further objections to confirmation of the proposed plan are pending.

30. [24-24195](#)-A-13 **IN RE: BRANDAN GRIEGO**
[KMM-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
10-22-2024 [\[15\]](#)

NICHOLAS WAJDA/ATTY. FOR DBT.
KIRSTEN MARTINEZ/ATTY. FOR MV.

Final Ruling

Objection: Creditor's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

Creditor, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the creditor's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagrees with the creditor's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the creditor's objection

to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the creditor shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the creditor's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any stipulation between the parties resolving this matter must be approved and signed by the Chapter 13 trustee prior to filing with the court. The trustee's signature on the stipulation warrants that the terms of the proposed stipulation do not impact the plan's compliance with 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a).

31. [24-24195](#)-A-13 **IN RE: BRANDAN GRIEGO**
[SKI-1](#)

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY SANTANDER CONSUMER USA
INC.

11-7-2024 [\[24\]](#)

NICHOLAS WAJDA/ATTY. FOR DBT.
SHERYL ITH/ATTY. FOR MV.

Final Ruling

Objection: Creditor's Objection to Confirmation of Plan

Notice: LBR 3015-1(c)(4), 9014-1(f)(2); no written opposition required

Disposition: Continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Order: Civil minute order

Creditor, Santander Consumer USA, Inc., objects to confirmation of the debtor(s) plan.

Chapter 13 plan confirmation is governed by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325 and by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1. The debtor has the burden of proving that the plan complies with all statutory requirements of confirmation. *In re Andrews*, 49 F.3d 1404, 1407-08 (9th Cir. 1995); *In re Barnes*, 32 F.3d 405, 407-08 (9th Cir. 1994).

The court will continue the hearing on this objection to allow the parties to augment the evidentiary record.

CIVIL MINUTE ORDER

The court shall issue a civil minute order that conforms substantially to the following form:

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing on this objection will be continued to January 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. The court may rule in this matter without further hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no later than December 17, 2024, the debtor(s) shall do one of the following:

(A) File a Statement of No Opposition. If the debtor(s) agree that the creditor's objection is well taken, the debtor(s) shall concede the merits and file a statement of non-opposition to the objection. L.R. 230(c) ("A responding party who has no opposition to the granting of the motion shall serve and file a statement to that effect..."); LBR 1001-1(c)-(d) (omitting the applicability of L.R. 230 unless the court orders otherwise);

(B) Respond in Writing to the Objection. If the debtor(s) disagrees with the creditor's objection, the debtor(s) shall file and serve a written response to the objection; the response shall specifically address each issue raised in the creditor's objection to confirmation, state whether the issue is disputed or undisputed, and include admissible evidence in support of the debtor's position. If the debtor(s) file a response under paragraph 3(B) of this order, then the creditor shall file and serve a reply, if any, no later than January 7, 2025. The evidentiary record will close after January 7, 2025; or

(C) File a Modified Plan. If the debtor(s) wish to resolve the creditor's objection by filing a modified plan, then the debtor(s) shall: (1) file and serve a modified Chapter 13 plan; and (2) file and serve a motion to confirm the modified plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any stipulation between the parties resolving this matter must be approved and signed by the Chapter 13 trustee prior to filing with the court. The trustee's signature on the stipulation warrants that the terms of the proposed stipulation do not impact the plan's compliance with 11 U.S.C. § 1325(a).