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Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court District of Montana Butte Division

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA

In re:

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2021-2-BPH

ORDER ABOLISHING MONT. LBRs 9013-1(h)(2)(E), (G), and (GG).

ORDER

This Court's Local Rules effective July 1, 2019, contain Mont. LBRs 9013-1(h)(2)(E), (G), and (GG). Each of these subsections have been included in the Mont. LBR since 2009, if not longer. These rules effectively provide for the granting of extensions of the deadlines mandated under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4003(b)(1), 4004(a), and 4007(c) without notice or a hearing and without establishing cause for such an extension. As such, Mont. LBRs 9013-1(h)(2)(E), (G), and (GG) impermissibly conflict with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4003(b)(1), 4004(b)(1), and 4007(c).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Mont. LBRs 9013-1(h)(2)(E), (G), and (GG) are abolished. Parties entitled to do so may, on a case-by-case basis, move to extend the deadlines prescribed by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4003(b)(1), 4004(a), and 4007(c) upon a showing of cause and after notice and a hearing if one is necessary. The Court will routinely grant motions to have such matters heard on an expedited basis.

Dated: February 25, 2021.

BY THE COURT:

Hon. Benjamin P. Hursh United States Bankruptcy Court

District of Montana