Entered: November 16th, 2022 Signed: November 16th, 2022

SO ORDERED



IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

In re:

AMENDMENTS TO LOCAL
BANKRUPTCY RULES

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ADMIN. ORDER 22-02

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AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 22-02 RESCINDING AS SUPERCEDED APPENDIX I TO THE LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULES, EXCEPT FOR INTERIM BANKRUPTCY RULE 1020

The Court previously adopted Local Bankruptcy Rule 9029-2, making interim Federal Bankruptcy Rules related to the Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019 (the "SBRA") effective in this Court as of February 19, 2020, as provided in Appendix I of the Local Bankruptcy Rules. The rule making process has been concluded and the interim Federal Bankruptcy Rules related to the SBRA were promulgated as final rules effective December 1, 2022, with the exception of Interim Bankruptcy Rule 1020, which continues as an interim rule while the Bankruptcy Threshold and Technical Corrections Act (the "BTATC Act") related subchapter V debt limit is in effect.

Therefore, it is, by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland, ORDERED, that except for Interim Bankruptcy Rule 1020, Appendix I to the Local

Bankruptcy Rules is RESCINDED effective December 1, 2022, as superseded by promulgation of the final Federal Bankruptcy Rules related to the SBRA; and it is further

ORDERED, that Interim Bankruptcy Rule 1020, attached hereto, will remain in effect (and be included in Appendix I) as a Local Bankruptcy Rule through June 21, 2024, or longer if the BTATC Act is extended.

END OF ORDER

1 **Interim** Rule 1020. Chapter 11 Reorganization Case for 2 Small Business Debtors or Debtors Under Subchapter V 3 **SMALL** BUSINESS DEBTOR (a) 4 DESIGNATION. In a voluntary chapter 11 case, the debtor 5 shall state in the petition whether the debtor is a small 6 business debtor or a debtor as defined in § 1182(1) of the 7 Code and, if the latter so, whether the debtor elects to have 8 subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. In an involuntary chapter 9 11 case, the debtor shall file within 14 days after entry of the 10 order for relief a statement as to whether the debtor is a small 11 business debtor or a debtor as defined in § 1182(1) of the 12 Code and, if the latter so, whether the debtor elects to have 13 subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. The status of the case as 14 a small business case or a case under subchapter V of chapter 15 11 shall be in accordance with the debtor's statement under 16 this subdivision, unless and until the court enters an order 17 finding that the debtor's statement is incorrect. 18 (b) OBJECTING TO DESIGNATION. The United 19 States trustee or a party in interest may file an objection to 20 the debtor's statement under subdivision (a) no later than 30 21 days after the conclusion of the meeting of creditors held 22 under § 341(a) of the Code, or within 30 days after any 23 amendment to the statement, whichever is later.

24 (c) PROCEDURE FOR OBJECTION OR 25 DETERMINATION. Any objection or request for a 26 determination under this rule shall be governed by Rule 9014 27 and served on: the debtor; the debtor's attorney; the United 28 States trustee; the trustee; the creditors included on the list 29 filed under Rule 1007(d) or, if a committee has been appointed under § 1102(a)(3), the committee or its 30 authorized agent; and any other entity as the court directs. 31

Committee Note

The Interim Rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Bankruptcy Threshold Adjustment and Technical Correction Act (the "BTATC Act"), Pub. L. No. 117-151, ____ Stat. ____ . The BTATC reinstates the definition of "debtor" for determining eligibility to proceed under subchapter V of chapter 11 that was in effect from March 27, 2020 through March 27, 2022, under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281, as amended. Subdivision (a) of the rule is amended to reflect that change. This Interim Rule will terminate two years after the date of enactment of the BTATC, unless the Act is extended.