

**SO ORDERED**



  
DAVID E. RICE  
U. S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND  
(Baltimore Division)**

In Re:

**JOHNNY CLYDE RIDENOUR,**

Debtor.

Case No.: 24-15370-DER

Chapter 7

**GERARD R. VETTER,**  
Acting United States Trustee for Region  
Four,

Plaintiff,

v.

Adv. Pro.: 24-00185-DER

**FRANK GREEN**

and

**DONALD ALEX WEST**

Defendants.

**ORDER GRANTING JUDGMENT AGAINST  
FRANK GREEN AND DONALD ALEX WEST**

Upon consideration of the United States Trustee's Motion for Default Judgment, and having found (a) the Motion was served upon Defendants, Frank Green and Donald Alex West (the "Defendants"), more than seven days prior to any hearing on the matter,

(b) Defendants are in default, (c) that the clerk has entered Defendants' default, (d) Defendants have failed to answer the Complaint as required and in the time permitted by the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and (e) the uncontested facts alleged in the Complaint entitle the United States Trustee to judgment, it is, by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland,

**ORDERED**, that JUDGMENT in favor of the United States Trustee and against Defendants is hereby GRANTED, as follows:

(1) Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 526(c)(1), any agreement between Debtor, Johnny Clyde Ridenour (the "Debtor") and either or both Defendants that required Debtor to pay any fees for bankruptcy petition preparation services or bankruptcy assistance is hereby declared void;

(2) Defendants are liable, jointly and severally, to Debtor in the amount of \$7,600, comprised of \$1,900 pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h)(3)(B), \$1,900 pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 526(c)(2), and \$3,800 pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(i)(1);

(3) Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(l), Defendant, Frank Green, is fined \$39,000, comprised of \$500 trebled for each of 26 violations of 11 U.S.C. § 110. See 11 U.S.C. § 110(l)(1) and 11 U.S.C. § 110(l)(2)(D). Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(l)(4), said fine shall be paid to Gerard R. Vetter, Acting United States Trustee for Region 4, who shall, upon receipt of payment, deposit an amount equal to such payment in the United States Trustee fund.

(4) Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(l), Defendant, Donald Alex West, is fined \$39,000, comprised of \$500 trebled for each of 26 violations of 11 U.S.C. § 110. See 11 U.S.C. § 110(l)(1) and 11 U.S.C. § 110(l)(2)(D). Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(l)(4), said fine shall be paid to Gerard R. Vetter, Acting United States Trustee for Region 4, who shall, upon receipt of payment, deposit an amount equal to such payment in the United States Trustee fund.

(6) Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(j)(2), Defendants are both enjoined from (a) acting as a bankruptcy petition preparer, (b) preparing any motions or other documents for filing in this Court other than papers filed on his own behalf, (c) filing any documents in this Court other than papers filed on his own behalf, or (d) otherwise violating § 110 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

(7) Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(j)(1) and 526(c)(5), Defendants are enjoined from violating any provisions of 11 U.S.C. §§ 110 and 526; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that to the extent Debtor believes he is or may be entitled to an award of attorneys' fees against Defendants pursuant to any provision of 11 U.S.C. § 110 based on any of the conduct alleged in the Complaint filed in this Adversary Proceeding, he may make an appropriate application for the award of such fees at any time prior to the closing of Case 24-15370-DER (Bankr. D. Md.). Any such application will then be considered by the Court in due course.

cc: Hugh M. Bernstein  
Johnny Clyde Ridenour  
Frank Green  
Donald Alex West

**[END OF ORDER]**