

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

IN RE:)
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RESUMPTION OF) GENERAL ORDER 23-0001
IN-PERSON HEARINGS)
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ORDER

Effective **March 1, 2023**, the Court will return to in-person hearings as the default location for all matters, with the following exceptions:

- pretrial conferences;
- matters previously scheduled to take place on or after March 1, 2023 by AT&T Teleconference (“Telephone”), Zoom.gov videoconference (“Zoom”), or a hybrid of in-person and Zoom (“Hybrid”) (collectively, a “Virtual Hearing”);
- matters specifically scheduled as a Virtual Hearing by the Court to occur on or after March 1, 2023;
- for the judge before whom the matter is pending, as otherwise provided for within the Communication and Courtroom Procedures section of the Judges’ Info page on the Court’s website (hereinafter, “the respective Judge’s Procedures”); and
- unless the Court orders otherwise.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Order, the Court will consider, on a case-by-case basis, requests to appear by, or convert a hearing to, a Virtual Hearing. Parties are to make such requests by following the respective Judge’s Procedures. The Court may deny the request or grant the request and (a) convert the hearing from in-person to a Virtual Hearing; or (b) allow a request to appear at the in-person hearing by Telephone or Zoom.

If the Court approves a request to convert an in-person hearing to a Virtual Hearing, the change in location will be reflected on the case docket by a PDF notice or a minute entry that includes the pertinent Telephone or Zoom information. The party requesting such accommodation is required to provide the Telephone or Zoom information to interested parties not registered with the Court’s Electronic Case Filing system.

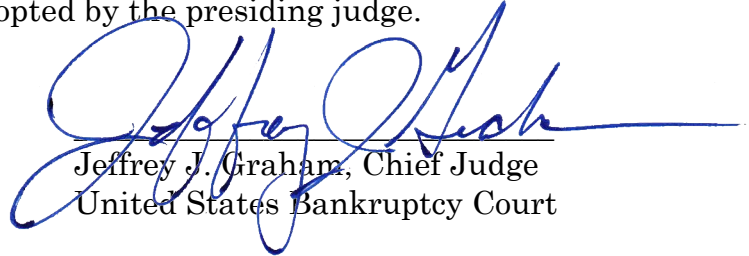
If the Court approves a party’s request to attend an in-person hearing by Telephone or Zoom, the party may join the hearing by using the judge’s Telephone or Zoom information provided for within the respective Judge’s Procedures. It is the

responsibility of the party attending an in-person hearing via Telephone or Zoom to obtain any documentary evidence that is, or may be, used at such hearing.

Parties wishing to present documentary evidence during a Virtual Hearing are required to follow the procedures outlined in General Order 23-0002. In addition, all participants in a Zoom or Hybrid hearing, including counsel, parties and witnesses, are expected to follow the instructions within the [Zoom Video Hearing Guide for Participants](#) found on the Court's website. Parties are reminded that Virtual Hearings are official court proceedings during which all participants are to act accordingly, and that Zoom and Hybrid hearings require attire consistent with the decorum of a court proceeding.

In-person hearing participants shall observe all public health and safety protocols as ordered by the District Court and/or the Bankruptcy Court in effect at the time of the hearing, as well as any measures adopted by the presiding judge.

January 23, 2023



Jeffrey J. Graham, Chief Judge
United States Bankruptcy Court