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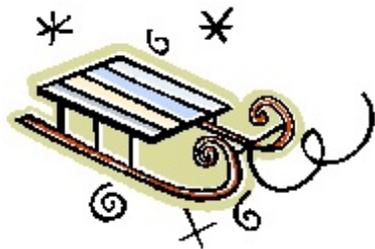
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2012 has only just begun, and here at the Iowa Northern Bankruptcy Court, we know there's no better way to kick off the new year than with a new edition of The Frequent Filer! OK, we admit that there are, in fact, better and far more exciting ways to start your year, but when it comes to bankruptcy-related information, new Frequent Filers rank pretty darn high on the excitement scale! This edition of The Filer introduces you to six new text order events, provides an update on the docketing of proposed orders (mentioned in our last edition), and outlines some changes we've made to the Notice of Mortgage Payment Change docket event, all in an effort to make your e-filing experiences with us as smooth and efficient as possible. Good luck, happy new year, and as always, be careful out there!



Spotlight On: Text Orders

Text orders, if you're not familiar with them, are just like they sound: they're an order, docketed to the case, but with no document attached; all of the language that would normally be found on the document is instead entered directly onto the docket sheet. The Iowa Northern Bankruptcy Court has utilized text orders for some time now, but only with a very limited number of docket events.

Effective January 9, 2012, you will begin to see a few more of these on our dockets, as we introduce six new text orders. These new text orders were designed for events which typically contain standard deadlines and that can be more efficiently displayed with a Text Only order on the docket sheet.

What does this mean for you?

You may see Text Only Orders entered in the following instances:

- ★ Order for Relief from Stay Settled
- ★ Memorandum Entry re Report on Claims

- ★ Order re Amended Report on Claims
- ★ Failure to File Joint Pretrial Statement
- ★ Matter Under Advisement
- ★ Settlement

Text only orders will be clearly designated as such on the docket sheet, with the language “TEXT ONLY ORDER” contained within the text, like this:

Order re Settlement. The Court is advised that the Motion for Relief from Stay is settled. The parties are given 21 days within which to file settlement documents or the matter will be dismissed without further notice or hearing. **TEXT ONLY ORDER** by Judge Collins, Signed on 1/10/2012. (related document(s)9 Motion for Relief From Stay (Fee)) Order or Documents Due by: 1/31/2012.

Any deadlines set within a text order entry will show when you run a Query for the case, just as they do now; the main change you will notice is that no document is attached to the entry and your emails will not contain a link to a document.

The Clerk’s Office will continue to docket and serve traditional orders just as we do now, with a .pdf attached to the docket entry.

If you have questions about our new text orders, send an email to: training@ianb.uscourts.gov, or call us directly at 319-286-2200 (Cedar Rapids) or 712-233-3939 (Sioux City).



Docketing of Proposed



Orders: We Listened to You!

You may recall that in our November Frequent Filer, we indicated that we were considering a new process for submission of proposed orders to the court.

Many of you shared feedback with us, and we heard you! After reviewing our processes, and after careful consideration, we have determined that the current process of submitting your proposed orders via email to the appropriate scheduling deputy is still the most efficient for you and the court.

What does this mean for you?

No Change! Nada! Zip! Zero! The process remains the same . . . continue to submit your proposed orders to the Scheduling Deputies by email. Want to bookmark the email addresses for our scheduling deputies so it’s always handy? You can all get the pertinent info [here](#).

Notice of Mortgage Payment Change Docket Event – Modified for Ease of Use

So you want to file a Notice of Mortgage Payment change, but you don’t have a claim on file?

With the New Rule 3002.1 requirements that went into effect on December 1, 2011, the Clerk's Office has seen an increase in the number of Notice of Mortgage Payment Change events being docketed. Some of you may have experienced difficulties trying to docket this event if you did not have a claim already on file. To allow for easier docketing of the Notice when a claim is not on file, we have made some minor modifications to the Notice of Mortgage Payment Change docket event.

Within the docketing of the event, you are now asked the question "Is There a Proof of Claim currently in this case that is associated with the Notice of Mortgage Payment Change being filed?" as shown below:

Is There a Proof of Claim currently in this case that is associated with the Notice of Mortgage Payment Change being filed?

Yes

No

Next

Clear

If you respond "Yes," you will be asked to identify the claim that should be associated with the Notice of Mortgage Payment Change, and the docket text will reference the claim number. If you respond "No," you will not be presented with the claim identification screen and your docket text will read "Notice of Mortgage Payment Change Re: No Claim Filed."

You should *always* link to a claim if one is on file, as this will ensure that your notice appears on the claims register.



ECF Question of the Month

Q: I was prompted to change my ECF Password, so I did, and now I'm locked out because I've entered my password incorrectly five times. I have NO idea what my password is; how do I get it reset so that I can file my document?

A: If you need to request a password reset, just send an email to training@ianb.uscourts.gov explaining what's happened. We'll promptly issue a temporary password, and you'll be on your way in no time flat. Please remember that all password reset requests must come directly from the account holder.

What'd We Miss?

If you have topics or questions you'd like to see covered in future editions of The Frequent Filer, we'd love to hear from you! Email your feedback to training@ianb.uscourts.gov, and we'll do our best to incorporate your suggestions into future issues.