

Adversary Proceedings Assigned to Judge Ritchey Craig

- Attorneys should **NOT** use self-calendaring for hearings in adversary proceedings pursuant to BLR 7007-1.

BLR 7007-1. Filing of Motions and Responses in Adversary Proceedings; Hearings.

This rule applies only in adversary proceedings and whenever the Bankruptcy Court makes Part VII of the Bankruptcy Rules applicable in a contested matter.

(a) Briefs; Affidavits. Any motion must be accompanied by a memorandum of law or other citation of supporting authority. If allegations of fact not otherwise in the record are relied upon, supporting affidavits must be filed with the motion or memorandum of law.

(b) Motions Pending on Removal. See BLR 9027-1.

(c) Response to Motion. Any party opposing a motion must file and serve the party's response, responsive memorandum, affidavits, and any other responsive material not later than fourteen days after service of the motion, except that the time to respond to a motion for summary judgment is twenty-one days. Failure to file a response indicates no opposition to the motion.

(d) Reply. A reply by the movant is permitted, but it is not necessary for the movant to file a reply as a routine practice. When the movant deems it necessary to file a reply, the reply must be filed and served not later than fourteen days after service of the responsive pleading.

(e) Page and Type Limitations. Absent prior permission of the Bankruptcy Court, briefs filed in support of a motion or in response to a motion are limited in length to twenty-five pages. If the movant files a reply, the reply brief may not exceed fifteen pages.

(f) Hearings. Motions will be decided by the Bankruptcy Court without a hearing, unless a hearing is ordered by the Bankruptcy Court.

(g) Expedited Hearings on Motions. Upon written motion and for good cause shown, the Bankruptcy Court may shorten the time requirements of this rule and grant an expedited hearing on any matter requiring immediate attention. The motion must set forth in detail the necessity for such expedited procedure.

(h) Effect of Noncompliance. The Bankruptcy Court, in its discretion, may decline to consider any motion or brief that fails to conform to the requirements of these Rules.

(i) Extensions of Time. See BLR 9006-1.

- If matter is ready for trial, the parties shall prepare and sign a proposed consolidated pretrial order and shall e-mail the proposed consolidated pretrial order in Microsoft Word format to Judge Ritchey Craig's Chambers e-mail Ircchambers@ganb.uscourts.gov
- If the parties wish to request a Pre-Trial conference please send your request to Christy Lee, Courtroom Deputy Clerk at christy_lee@ganb.uscourts.gov