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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION

IN RE:	: : CASE NO. 05-95215-JB :	
CHARLES RANDALL HAMBLEN and		
JANET SMITH HAMBLEN,		
Debtors.	CHAPTER 7	
S. GREGORY HAYS, TRUSTEE,		
Movant,	:	
Vs.	: CONTESTED MATTER	
CHARLES RANDALL HAMBLEN and JANET SMITH HAMBLEN,		
Respondents.		

ORDER COMPELLING DEBTORS TO COMPLY WITH RULE 4002(5) OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE AND ORDER WITH DIRECTIONS TO TRUSTEE, WILLIAM RUSSELL PATTERSON AND EVAN ALTMAN REGARDING SERVICE

On September 7, 2006, the Chapter 7 Trustee, S. Gregory Hays, filed a report of

noncompliance with the Court's Order entered August17, 2006, and a request for the entry of an

Order to show cause why Debtors, Charles Randall Hamblen and Janet Smith Hamblen, should not

be held in contempt (Docket #269). That motion will be set down for a hearing, but in that motion

the Trustee alleges that he does not know the current address or mailing address of the Hamblens.

The Trustee alleges that he has e-mailed the Hamblens asking for a current address and further that he has advised them of their obligations to file a change of address with the Clerk's office, but no change of address has been filed. Debtors have been proceeding *pro se* since their attorney withdrew in April of 2006.

The Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules prescribe a number of duties which must be performed by debtors. Among them is a debtor's duty "to file a statement of any change of the debtor's address." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4002(5). In this case, prior to withdrawing as counsel, attorney Paul Marr, in a letter dated March 6, 2006, also explained to Mr. and Mrs. Hamblen their responsibilities with respect to the Court, including notifying the Clerk's office of any change in address.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamblen are **ordered** to file a change of address with the Clerk's office and to serve the Trustee's counsel, Alex Teel, with their change of address on or before **September 28, 2006**. Failure to comply with this Order will result in sanctions. To ensure that Debtors receive a copy of this Order, service shall be upon the only address currently shown on the docket for Debtors, and the Trustee's counsel, Alex Teel, is directed to forward a copy of this Order upon Debtors through the e-mail address or addresses that he has been using to communicate with them. In addition, the Court is serving William Russell Patterson with a copy of this Order, with directions that he, as, counsel for Sara Smith, the mother of Janet Hamblen, forward a copy of this Order to Debtors. The Court is also serving Evan Altman, counsel for the Hamblen Family Irrevocable Trust and Halstin Family, LLC with a copy of this Order, with directions that he forward a copy of this Order to Debtors. The Trustee, Mr. Patterson, and Mr. Altman are each directed to file a certificate in this case setting forth all methods by which they have attempted to serve a copy of this Order upon Debtors Charles and Janet Hamblen.

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IT IS SO ORDERED, this 13^{t} day of September, 2006.

JOYCE BIHARY UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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