



United States Bankruptcy Court
Northern District of Georgia

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memorandum

TO: All Attorneys
FROM: Judge Hagenau
DATE: December 1, 2017
SUBJECT: Fee Applications for Less than \$1,000 in Chapter 13 Cases

Many Chapter 13 practitioners reach agreements with their debtor clients for a base fee but with the right to seek additional fees for specified services. The Court requires debtor's counsel to file an application for these additional fees. The request for the additional fees may be included in the motion which justifies the fees, so long as the title of the motion includes "Application for Compensation".

Alternatively, a debtor's counsel may use the procedure set out in General Order No. 22-2017, par. 3.3. The form of Order Setting Objection Deadline on Application for Compensation, Setting Hearing if Objections are Filed, and Granting Application in the Absence of Filed Objections is attached here to and also located on the Court's website under "Local Forms".

EXHIBIT A

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
[Appropriate Division] DIVISION

IN RE:) Case No. *[xx-xxxxx]* – *[Assigned*
) *Judge's Initials]*
[Name of Debtor(s)],)
)
Debtor(s).) Chapter 13
)

**ORDER SETTING OBJECTION DEADLINE ON APPLICATION FOR
COMPENSATION, SETTING HEARING IF OBJECTIONS ARE FILED, AND
GRANTING APPLICATION IN THE ABSENCE OF FILED OBJECTIONS**

On *[Date of filing application]* Debtor's[s'] attorney ("Counsel") filed an Application for Compensation (the "Application") (Doc. No. *[Docket no. for application]*). The Application seeks approval of additional compensation for services rendered, and/or expenses incurred. In the Application, Counsel asserts that it is entitled to an additional \$*[enter amount less than or equal to the amount set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(6)]* for *[state specific services rendered and/or expenses incurred]* based on the Attorney-Client Agreement signed by the Debtor(s), and the Disclosure of Compensation ("2016(b) Statement") filed on *[Date of filing Rule 2016(b) Statement]*. (Doc. No. *[Docket no. for 2016(b) Statement]*).

Upon review of the Application, the Rule 2016(b) Statement, and the docket in this case,

IT IS ORDERED that any objections to the Application must be filed with the Clerk of this Court and served on Counsel and the Chapter 13 Trustee no later than 21 days after entry of this Order and Notice (the "Objection Deadline");

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if no objections are filed by the Objection Deadline, the attorney's fees and/or expenses requested in the Application shall be allowed as of the date of the Objection Deadline, subject to the provisions of General Order 22-2017, and the Chapter 13 Trustee shall pay such allowed fees pursuant to the confirmed plan in this case and the provisions of General Order 22-2017.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, if an objection is filed on or before the Objection Deadline, a hearing will be held on *[Choose a hearing date and time in accordance with the assigned judge's self-scheduling procedures and insert in the form "at __:__.m. on [month] [day], [year] that is at least 30 days from the date this order and notice is submitted]* in Courtroom *[Insert Courtroom Number of assigned judge]*, United States Courthouse, *[Insert Courthouse address for appropriate division]*.

The Clerk is DIRECTED to serve a copy of this Order upon Debtor(s), Counsel, the Chapter 13 Trustee, and all parties requesting notice in this case.

END OF ORDER