

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

STANDING ORDER 2018-02

AMENDMENT TO MASSACHUSETTS LOCAL RULE, APPENDIX 1, RULE 13-2(a)

It is hereby **ORDERED** that effective August 10, 2018, Massachusetts Local Rule, Appendix 1, Rule 13-2(a) shall be amended as follows:

1. The first line of Rule 13-2(a) is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

“(a) The requirements set forth in MLBR 1007-1, subject to Standing Order 2018-01, apply to cases filed under chapter 13. In addition to those requirements, the debtor shall:”

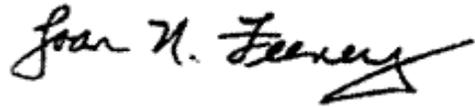
2. Subsection (a)(1)(B) is hereby deleted in its entirety.

Appendix 1, Rule 13-2, as amended, is attached hereto.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



Melvin S. Hoffman, Chief Judge



Judge Joan N. Feeney



Judge Frank J. Bailey



Judge Christopher J. Panos



Judge Elizabeth D. Katz

Dated: August 10, 2018

**RULE 13-2.****COMMENCEMENT OF CASE**

(a) The requirements set forth in MLBR 1007-1, subject to Standing Order 2018-01, apply to cases filed under chapter 13. In addition to those requirements, the debtor shall:

- (1) file with the Court and submit to the chapter 13 trustee:
  - (A) with the petition:
    - (i) evidence of current and sufficient liability and property insurance (not including insurance obtained by any secured party) with respect to any real property or vehicle in which the debtor has an interest; and
    - (ii) an executed copy of the engagement agreement by and between the debtor and any attorney retained by the debtor in the form set forth on MLBR Official Local Form 8.

EXCEPT that if the debtor shall fail to file such documents with the petition, the Court shall issue an order notifying the debtor and the debtor's attorney that, if the missing documents are not filed within fourteen (14) days from the date of commencement of the case and the Court has not allowed a motion to extend the time for filing the missing documents, filed pursuant to subsection (b) below, the Court may dismiss the case at the expiration of that period without a hearing.

- (2) if the debtor is a debtor engaged in business, submit to the chapter 13 trustee:
  - (A) within seven (7) days after the commencement of the case:
    - (i) evidence of current and sufficient business insurance; and
    - (ii) evidence that appropriate debtor-in-possession checking accounts were opened at the time of the filing of the petition;
  - (B) within fourteen (14) days after the commencement of the case, a profit and loss statement for the calendar year or fiscal year, whichever is applicable, preceding the year in which the case is filed, and a profit and loss statement for the period from the end of the calendar or fiscal year to the date of the filing of the petition; and
  - (C) within thirty (30) days of the close of each quarter, a statement of quarterly income and expenses incurred.

(b) Any motion requesting an extension of time to file documents required under this Rule shall be filed before the expiration of the filing deadline, shall set forth the specific cause for the request, the amount of additional time requested and the date the petition was filed, and shall include a certificate of service evidencing that the motion was served on the chapter 13 trustee.

(c) Any motion to amend a voluntary petition or statement shall be served upon all parties affected by the amendment and the chapter 13 trustee. The motion and proposed amendment shall

be accompanied by a certificate of service identifying those parties served. A motion to amend to add a creditor to the debtor's schedules shall be served upon the creditor being added and the chapter 13 trustee. An amendment adding a creditor or party in interest shall be accompanied by 1) the fee prescribed by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, if applicable, and 2) an amended matrix including the names and addresses of the added parties.