UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

STANDING ORDER 2017-02

AMENDMENT TO MASSACHUSETTS LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 5009-1. CLOSING CHAPTER 7 CASES

IT IS ORDERED that effective February 7, 2017 pending final adoption, Massachusetts Local Bankruptcy Rule 5009-1 shall be deemed amended on an interim basis to read in its entirety:

CLOSING CHAPTER 7 CASES

Unless the Court orders otherwise, no chapter 7 case in which dividends will be paid to creditors will be closed until the trustee has filed with the Court a statement indicating the following:

- (a) there are no pending adversary proceedings that will affect the distribution to creditors or the administration of the estate.
- (b) all claims have been examined and any objections to claims have been resolved;
- (c) all applications by any Professionals for compensation have been filed and acted upon, including an application by debtor's counsel to approve application of a retainer; and
- (d) the United States trustee has approved the final account, unless the Court determines that such approval is not necessary.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Chief Judge Melvin S. Hoffman

Dated: February 7, 2017

Judge ristopher J. Panos