

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

**NOTICE TO THE BAR**  
**REALLOTMENT OF CHAPTER 13 CASES**  
**AND NO-LOOK FEES**

**Reallotment of Chapter 13 Cases**

The court will begin splitting newly filed Chapter 13 cases between Section A and B on **April 23, 2007**.

The pending Chapter 13 cases will be split **effective May 1, 2007**, with one-half of the cases being reallocated to Section B. Notice of the new allotments will be docketed within the next several days. However, the cases will remain with Section A **until May 1, 2007**.

**Chapter 13 Motion Days**

For future planning purposes, the Chapter 13 motion days will generally be as follows:

**Section A** – second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at the same times as previously announced.

**Section B** – first and third Wednesdays of the month at 10:30 a.m.

Chapter 13 motion days will not be held on the fifth week of any month in either Section A or B.

Check the court's website for specific dates and times.

The May 1 and May 15 motion days presently scheduled in Section A for Chapter 13 cases are CANCELLED. The court will continue all Chapter 13 matters presently set in Section A cases on May 1 and May 15 to **May 22, 2007**.

In cases that are to be reassigned to Section B, the court will automatically reschedule any matters that are presently set on Section A motion days in May 2007 as follows:

Section A Motion Day

Section B Motion Day

May 1

to May 2

May 15

to May 16

May 22 and May 29

to June 6

**Chapter 13 No-Look Fees**

The no-look fee for Chapter 13 cases filed on or after April 23, 2007 will be on a two-tiered system, with \$2,250 as the fee for below the means test debtors and \$2,520 as the fee for above the means test debtors.

The no-look fee will cover the services as set forth in the attached Exhibit A. (This exhibit is the same as Exhibit A to Administrative Order 06-03 (Section A, June 5, 2006)).

April 13, 2007

R. Marla Hamilton, Clerk

**EXHIBIT “A”**

Bankruptcy Rule 2016(b) Disclosure  
of Fixed Fee Agreement

[Name of attorney] files this Bankruptcy Rule 2016(b) Disclosure and Application for Approval of Fixed Fee Agreement.

1. I have agreed to provide the following services to the Debtor(s) on a fixed fee basis:
  - A. Counsel with the Debtor(s) on an as needed basis;
  - B. Prepare and file a proposed Chapter 13 plan and any required amendments to the plan;
  - C. Prepare and file the required schedules, statement of financial affairs, and any other required documents with the Court, Chapter 13 Trustee, or United States Trustee’s office;
  - D. Prepare and file miscellaneous motions required to protect the Debtor(s)’ interests in the case;
  - E. Prepare and file responses to motions filed against Debtor(s)-even if the response is a statement that the Debtor(s) have no opposition to the relief requested;
  - F. Attend the §341(a) meeting of creditors;
  - G. Objections to claims necessary to confirm, implement or enforce the terms of a plan which could have been brought within 120 days of confirmation.
  - H. Attend the confirmation hearing, if required under the circumstances, including but not limited to if Objection is filed; and
  - I. Advise the Debtor(s) concerning their obligations and duties pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules, applicable court orders and the provisions of their chapter 13 plan.
2. The fixed fee agreement does not include the following services:
  - A. Representation of the Debtor(s) in an adversary proceeding, either as a plaintiff or a defendant;
  - B. Representation of the Debtor(s) in a contested matter, the subject of which is

extraordinary in the context of chapter 13 cases in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana;

C. Representation of the Debtor(s) in any matter in which the Court orders fee shifting pursuant to which fees are to be paid by a person other than the Debtor(s); and

D. Representation on matters for which the first hearing is set more than 120 days following confirmation.

3. I have not shared or agreed to share any of the compensation paid or to be paid. The following sets forth all compensation that is being paid by any person or entity other than the Debtor(s).

4. As of the filing of this petition, I have received \$\_\_\_\_\_ in compensation and \$\_\_\_\_\_ will be paid under the chapter 13 plan.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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Counsel to Debtor(s)