

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE: Amendments to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-2 and Local Bankruptcy Form 2016-2 (and its recodification as Local Bankruptcy Form 2016-2A); adoption of new Local Bankruptcy Forms 2016-2B and 2016-2C; amendment of Local Bankruptcy Rule 4004-1; deletion of Local Bankruptcy Forms 4004-1 and 4004-2; adoption of new Local Bankruptcy Rule 5003-1; and, amendments to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-2.

O R D E R

AND NOW, this 26th day of February, 2008, it appearing that this Court is vested with authority, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§2071(e), 2077 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 83, to promulgate Local Civil Rules not inconsistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and applicable statutes,

AND, it appearing that the judges of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania on November 19, 2007, unanimously approved a resolution approving the Bankruptcy Court's request to publish and solicit comment on proposed amendments to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-2 and Local Bankruptcy Form 2016-2 (and its recodification as Local Bankruptcy Form 2016-2A); proposed adoption of new Local Bankruptcy Forms 2016-2B and 2016-2C; the proposed amendment of Local Bankruptcy Rule 4004-1; the proposed deletion of Local Bankruptcy Forms 4004-1 and 4004-2; the proposed adoption of new Local Bankruptcy Rule 5003-1; and, proposed amendments to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-2,

AND, it further appearing that the proposed amendments, adoptions and deletions to the Local Rules and Forms of Bankruptcy Procedure, which are reproduced and set forth in their entirety below and are herein made a part of this Order, collectively encompass the following three subject areas:

- amending local procedures and forms governing applications for professional compensation in Chapter 13 cases;
- making technical amendments to the local rules governing procedures for the entry of discharges in Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases, as well as motion procedures; and,
- adopting a new rule modeled on Rule 5.1.5 of the Local Rules of Civil Procedure setting forth procedures governing documents under seal,

AND, it further appearing that Notice was published in the legal publications of the nine counties which comprise the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, providing for an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed amendments, adoptions and deletions to the Local Rules and Forms of Bankruptcy Procedure,

AND, it further appearing that comments were received in response to the publication of notice and solicitation of comment, and that the judges of the court reviewed and considered said comments, it is hereby

ORDERED, this 26th day of February 2008, that the proposed amendments to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-2 and Local Bankruptcy Form 2016-2 (and its recodification as Local Bankruptcy Form 2016-2A); the proposed adoption of new Local Bankruptcy Forms 2016-2B and 2016-2C; the proposed amendment of Local Bankruptcy Rule 4004-1; the proposed deletion of Local Bankruptcy Forms 4004-1 and 4004-2; the proposed adoption of new Local Bankruptcy Rule 5003-1; and, the proposed amendments to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-2 are approved and adopted, effective immediately. It is further

ORDERED that the Clerk of Court transmit a copy of the above Local Bankruptcy Rules and Forms as so amended, adopted or deleted to the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts and the Judicial Council of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals and make said Rule available to the bar and public.

FOR THE COURT:

HARVEY BARTLE III,
Chief Judge