

**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.**

**NOTICE**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§2071(e) and 2077 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 83, directing the court to promulgate Local Civil Rules consistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and applicable statutes, and in accordance with Rule 9029(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the judges of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania on November 19, 2007, approved the Bankruptcy Court's request to publish and solicit comment on proposed amendments, adoptions and deletions to the Local Rules and Forms of Bankruptcy Procedure, encompassing 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.

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §2071(e), notice of the proposed amendments is hereby 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 above-referenced amendments to the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Interim Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.

The proposed amendments, adoptions and deletions to the Local Rules and Forms of Bankruptcy Procedure are reproduced and set forth in their entirety below. Those wishing to obtain copies of the proposed amendments, adoptions and deletions to the Local Rules and Forms of Bankruptcy Procedure or to comment on the proposed amendments may do so by submitting their request or comments in writing to Michael E. Kunz, Clerk of Court, United States Courthouse, 601 Market Street, Room 2609, Philadelphia, PA 19106 **no later than Monday, January 14, 2008**. Copies of these rules may also be obtained at the District Court's website, [www.paed.uscourts.gov](http://www.paed.uscourts.gov) or by obtaining them in person at the District Court Clerk's Office at the above address.

HARVEY BARTLE III

Chief Judge