

NOTICE

Procedures Responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic

The Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Indiana publishes the following information in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 1. The clerk's office is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC effective July 6, 2020.
- 2. In accordance with Northern District of Indiana general orders, persons seeking entry to the courthouses of this District must have their temperature taken using the touchless temperature taking devices which have been placed at the entrances to the courthouses of this District. Anyone whose temperature registers 100.4 degrees or higher will be denied access to the courthouse. Certain limitations and restrictions, including the wear of face coverings in all public spaces (except for individuals with medical exemptions, or those excused from wearing a face covering in a courtroom by the presiding judge) and physical distancing remain in effect.
- 3. Bankruptcy proceedings in the Fort Wayne and Lafayette Divisions will be conducted in-person unless otherwise ordered. Bankruptcy proceedings in the South Bend division will be held in-person beginning July 21, 2020. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, bankruptcy proceedings in the Hammond Division will continue to be held telephonically until further notice. Future hearings will be addressed as the conditions warrant.
- 4. PACER/CM-ECF self-service terminals are not currently available in the Clerk's Office. If you are a pro se debtor, claimant, litigant, or party to a bankruptcy case, please contact the Clerk's office for case-specific information. If you are a member of the press, please contact the PACER service center for information about creating an account. As always, the court's Electronic Case Filing (ECF) system is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for electronic filers.
- 5. We will continue to monitor the situation involving COVID-19 and will communicate any changes to our practice as soon as practicable. Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

Christopher M. DeToro Clerk of Court July 6, 2020