Proposed Amendments to the Local Rules and Local Forms

Tuesday, August 20, 2025

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULES AND FORMS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

Posted August 20, 2025, Comment Period Ends September 19, 2025

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Summary of Proposed Changes:

RULE / FORM	SUMMARY OF CHANGE
Rule 3015-2(f)	Imposes a requirement to provide red-
	lined copy of amended Chapter 12 and
	Chapter 13 Plans (showing the changes
	from the plan that is being modified)
	with a clean copy of the amended plan.
Rule 3019-1	Imposes a requirement to provide red-
	lined copy of amended Chapter 11
	Plans (showing the changes from the
	plan that is being modified) with a
	clean copy of the amended plan.
Form 3015-2b	Grammatical changes and a
	certification that a red-lined amended
	Chapter 13 plan is being provided.
Form 3015-2d	Grammatical changes and a
	certification that a red-lined amended
	Chapter 12 plan is being provided.
Form 3019-1	Grammatical changes, a certification
	that a red-lined amended Chapter 11
	plan is being provided, and a third
	option for the type of notice required.

Redline of the Proposed Changes:

Rule 3015-2 Chapter 12 or Chapter 13 - Amendments to Plans.

(f) Service of Chapter 12 or 13 Amended Plan After Confirmation by a CM/ECF Filer. Subject to the service requirements set forth in L.B.R. 3015-1(b) and F.R.B.P. 4003(d), an amended post confirmation plan and a passive notice containing the objection date must be provided to each creditor and party in interest, either by U.S. mail or electronically through the CM/ECF system. If an amended plan is filed that alters the treatment of the claims of a limited number of creditors, the debtor may be excused from serving the motion, notice, and amended plan on all creditors by filing the appropriate local form (L.B.F. 3015-2(a) for Chapter 13 cases or L.B.R. 3015-2(c) for Chapter 12 cases), certifying that service has been made on the affected creditors. Further, if an amended plan is filed to alter funding of the plan or to make technical amendments, but does not affect the payment of any creditor's claim, the debtor may be excused from serving the motion, notice, and amended plan on all creditors by filing L.B.F. 3015-2(b) (for Chapter 13 cases) or L.B.F. 3015-2(d) (for Chapter 12 cases), certifying the limited changes to the confirmed plan, and a red-lined copy of the amended plan showing the changes from the plan that is being modified.

Rule 3019-1 Chapter 11 - Amendments to Plan.

With every plan that is amended or modified before confirmation, a plan proponent must file a Certification Regarding Amended Plan of Reorganization (L.B.F. 3019-1) and a red-lined copy of the amended plan showing the changes from the plan that is being modified. The plan proponent must serve copies of the amended plan on parties in interest whose claims or interests may be affected by the changes and notify them of a new objection date as directed by the Court. The proponent of an amended plan may be excused from serving the motion, notice, and amended plan on all creditors by filing L.B.F. 3019-1 certifying that it can be confirmed as submitted because all previously filed objections have been resolved or withdrawn, the amended plan does not adversely change the treatment of any creditor's claim or interest within the meaning of Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3019(a), and it complies with the requirements of 11 U.S.C. § 1123 and § 1129.

LOCAL BANKRUPTCY FORM 3015-2(b)

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: Enter text	CHAPTER:	Enter text
Debtor(s)	CASE NO.	bk-
CERTIFICATION REGARDING SERV	ICE OF AMEND	DED CHAPTER 13 PLAN
(Altering Funding or Mak	ing Technical Ame	endments)
The undersigned, counsel for the above-	captioned Debtor(s), hereby certifies that:
☐ Aa red-lined copy of the Click and S	elect Amended Ch	apter 13 Plan filed on Select
date showing all changes from the prior version	, is submitted witl	n this Certificationshowing the
changes is filed with this Certification;		
☐ <u>T</u> the Click and Select Amended Chap	oter 13 Plan filed	on Select date proposes to alter
the funding of, or to make technical amendment	s to, the Chapter 1	3 Plan confirmed on Select
date, but does not affect the treatment of the cla	ims of any credito	ors included in the confirmed
Plan, including the amounts to be paid, the timin	ng of the payments	s, or the treatment of collateral;
☐ Tthe Click and Select Amended Chap	oter 13 Plan has be	een served on the Chapter 13
trustee: and		

\square Bbecause none of the claims	s provided for in the plan will be affected by the provisions
of the Click and Select Amended Chap	pter 13 Plan, no further notice is required.
Dated: Select date	Enter text
	Counsel for Debtor(s)

LOCAL BANKRUPTCY FORM 3015-2(d)

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: Enter text	CHAPTER:	Enter text
Debtor(s)	CASE NO.	bk-
CERTIFICATION REGARDING SERVICE OF	AMENDED CHA	PTER 12 PLAN
(Altering Funding or Making Tech	inical Amendments)	
The undersigned, counsel for the above-captione	ed Debtor(s), hereby	certifies that:
☐ Aa red-lined copy of the Click and Select An	nended Chapter 12 <u>P</u>	lan filed on Select
date showing all changes from the prior version, is subr	nitted with this Certi	fication Plan
showing the changes is filed with this Certification;		
☐ <u>T</u> the Click and Select Amended Chapter 12 I	Plan filed on Select d	late proposes to alter
the funding of, or to make technical amendments to, the	Chapter 12 Plan cor	afirmed on Select
date, but does not affect the treatment of the claims of a	ny creditors included	d in the confirmed
Plan, including the amounts to be paid, the timing of the	payments, or the tre	eatment of collateral;
☐ <u>T</u> the Click and Select Amended Chapter 12 I	Plan has been served	on the Chapter 12
trustee; and		

☐ <u>B</u> because none of the clair	ns provided for in the plan will be affected by the provisions
of the Click and Select Amended Chapter 12 Plan, no further notice is required.	
Dated: Select date	Enter text
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LOCAL BANKRUPTCY FORM 3019-1

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

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	Debtor(s)	CASE NO.	bk-
	CERTIFICATION	REGARDING	
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Certification; and			
<u>T</u> the Amended Pla	nn of Reorganization, filed <u>on</u> <u>S</u>	elect date, conta	ains changes <u>from</u> to the Plan of
Reorganization, fi	led <u>on</u> Select date, of such natu	re and degree th	nat (check box 1, 2, or 3):
1. 🗆	Nnotice must be circulated a	as if an original	Plan of Reorganization;
2. 🗆	Nnotice need be sent only to Reorganization;	the objectors to	o the last filed Plan of

3. ⊔	No further notice is required because the plan proponent certifies that the
	modifications do not adversely change the treatment of any creditor's
	claim or interest within the meaning of Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3019(a), and that
	all previously filed objections have been resolved or withdrawn. This
	certification is subject to the Court's review and does not limit the Court's
	discretion to require further notice based on the timing or nature of the
	amendments.
Dated: Select date	Enter text
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