

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE CLERK



June 16, 2014

CLERK'S NOTICE 14-04

Notice Regarding General Order 2014-03
Amended Standing Order Concerning All Chapter 13 Cases

General Order 2014-03 amends and supersedes General Orders 2010-01 and 2013-01. The language contained in General Order 2013-01 has been incorporated in General Order 2014-03.

Section 10 (c), (h), (i), (j), (k)(5)(6) and Section 11 of General Order 2014-03 have been amended as follows:

10. COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT TO DEBTOR'S COUNSEL IN CHAPTER 13 CASES.

c. In an individual, non-business case, the Court deems **\$3,500** (the "Standard Fee") as reasonable compensation and reimbursement of expenses for an attorney representing the Debtor in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3)(B).

h. In a Level 2 business case, the Court deems **\$4,000** as reasonable compensation and reimbursement of expenses for an attorney under 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3)(B) (the "Business Standard Fee").

i. For lodestar applications, the Court will not approve a fee over **\$700** for the preparation of the fee application.

j. For lodestar applications for particular matters, the Court will not approve a fee over **\$400** for the preparation of the fee application.

k. Provided the Debtor agrees, and notwithstanding any other provision of this General Order, for certain matters not within the guidelines for the Standard Fee or the Business Standard Fee, and to encourage uniformity and consistency and to minimize the expense of the fee

application process, the Court will approve, upon motion, and waive the application requirement, the following fees:

(5) For an Objection to a Trustee's Notice of Intent to Disburse Excess (year) Tax Refund To Creditors And Raise Debtor's Plan Base, a responsive pleading to a Trustee motion to compel with regard to a tax return and/or tax refund, or a similar pleading addressing tax refunds and who is entitled to same, \$350, plus expenses not to exceed \$50.

(6) For modification of the Debtor's mortgage, \$350, plus expenses not to exceed \$50, but only if the application includes a certification that the Debtor's attorney has been significantly involved in the process to modify the Debtor's mortgage.

11. COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT TO CREDITOR ATTORNEYS IN CHAPTER 13 CASES. The Court deems the lesser of (1) \$700 and (2) the actual amount paid or to be paid by the creditor to its attorney as fees and expenses to be reasonable compensation to a creditor's attorney who is entitled to compensation from a debtor's estate under 11 U.S.C § 506(b) and applicable non-bankruptcy law in any case, without prejudice to a party contesting entitlement to fees, or the reasonableness of the amount or mode of payment of fees and expenses.

FOR THE COURT
Tawana C. Marshall
Clerk of Court