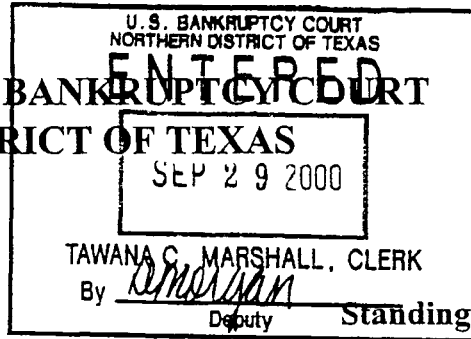


IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS



IN RE:

STANDING ORDER CONCERNING
VIDEO HEARINGS

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Absent compelling circumstances, the following rules will apply to video hearings before the Bankruptcy Court in the following Divisions of the Northern District of Texas: [Abilene, Amarillo, Dallas, Fort Worth, Lubbock, San Angelo, and Wichita Falls]. These rules do not replace the Local Rules or any Scheduling Order. The intent of this order is not to additionally burden counsel, but to attempt to assist counsel and the Court in dealing with video hearings.

It is hereby ORDERED that the following procedures apply to video hearings on contested matters:

- A. Under Local Bankruptcy Rules 9014.1(c)(2) and 4001.1(d), when an exhibit or appraisal is furnished to an opponent, it shall be mailed to the presiding judge of the hearing within the same time parameters of the local rules, together with time estimates for the hearing. If a party anticipates using impeachment exhibits not normally required to be revealed in advance of the hearing, the impeachment exhibits must be furnished to the presiding judge at least two days before the hearing in a sealed envelope containing the following legend:

[Number and style of case, nature of hearing, hearing date and time].
"Impeachment exhibits of [PARTY NAME]. Only to be opened by the presiding judge at such hearing, if offered into evidence at such hearing." [Attorney's name, address and telephone number].

The clerk is to date stamp the envelope "Received" and deliver it to the presiding judge, who will destroy it if the exhibits are not offered into evidence at the hearing.

B. On preliminary stay hearings, regardless of which Division is hearing the matter, Local Bankruptcy Rule 4001.1(e) will govern the conduct of the hearing and any evidentiary affidavits referred to in Local Bankruptcy Rule 4001.1(e) must be filed with the Clerk's Office, and copies mailed to the judge presiding over such hearing at or about the time they are to be served on an opponent, together with time estimates of the hearing.

It is further ORDERED that the following procedures apply in video trials of adversary proceedings: At least seven days in advance of trial, copies of all exhibits, except those for impeachment purposes, are to be exchanged between counsel and mailed to the presiding judge, together with the time estimates of the trial. If a party anticipates using impeachment exhibits not normally required to be revealed in advance of trial, the impeachment exhibits are to be furnished to the presiding judge at least two days before the trial in a sealed envelope containing the following legend:

[Number and style of case, trial date and time]. "Impeachment exhibits of [PARTY NAME]. Only to be opened by the presiding judge at trial, if offered into evidence at trial." [Attorney's name, address and telephone number].

The clerk is to date stamp the envelope "Received" and deliver it to the presiding judge, who will destroy the envelope if the exhibits are not offered into evidence at trial.

Signed: SEP 29 2000

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert C. McGuire", written over a horizontal line.

Robert C. McGuire
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge
Northern District of Texas