

## **MINUTES**

### **United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine Local Rules Committee Meeting June 16, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Members Present:** Mr. Hull (Chair), Mr. Crosman, Ms. Doil, Mr. Dudley, Mr. Sleeper, Mr. Wholly, Ms. Economy, Mr. Molleur and Mr. Anderson.

**Members Absent:** Ms. Sambatakos, Ms. Fisher, and Mr. Morrell.

**Other Participants:** Judge Cary and Kristen Ford.

**Others Absent:** Ms. Bigley.

1. **Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting.** The minutes from the May 12, 2022 meeting were approved.
2. **Chair Announcements.** No announcements.
3. **Clerk's Office Announcements/Updates.** No announcements.
4. **Review of Local Rules for Consistency/Cross-References/Updating.**
  - **Local Rule 3002-1(b):** Mr. Sleeper discussed his review of additional, non-substantive redlines to LR 3002-1(b). Mr. Dudley and Mr. Sleeper will work on the language regarding the reference to § 1326(a)(1)(C) in this section. Once they agree on the language Judge Cary will incorporate that change into a clean version of this section and circulate.
  - **Local Rule 3003-1:** Mr. Sleeper discussed further revisions to LR 3003-1 that were circulated. While this section grew longer it was agreed that it is clearer and will be incorporated into the working changes by Judge Cary.
  - **Local Rule 3015(1):** Ms. Economy discussed further revisions to LR 3015(1) that were circulated. Ms. Economy confirmed that form names and document numbers on the website match up to the names and document numbers referred to in the rules. Changes were agreed upon and Judge Cary will incorporate into the working changes.
  - **Local Rule 3016-1:** Judge Cary's recommended changes will be incorporated into the working changes.
  - **Local Rule 3016-2:** Mr. Sleeper's revisions to this section will be incorporated into the working changes by Judge Cary.

- **General Revision Discussion Begins with Local Rule 3016-3:** The Committee reviewed and discussed proposed changes to this rule. Additional edits were made, and consensus formed. Judge Cary will be incorporating these into the working changes.
  - **General Revision Discussion Begins with Local Rule 3017-1:** The Committee reviewed and discussed proposed changes to this rule. Additional edits were made, and consensus formed. Judge Cary will be incorporating these into the working changes. LR 3017-1(a) will now become LR 3016-4. Judge Cary will make further revisions and will be reviewed as part of the overall changes.
  - **General Revision Discussion Begins with Local Rule 3017-2:** The Committee reviewed and discussed proposed changes to this rule. As LR 3017-2-1(a), LR 3017-2(b) and LR 3017-2(c) mirror the Federal Rules, these local rules will be removed.
  - **General Revision Discussion Begins with Local Rule 3017-3:** The Committee reviewed and discussed proposed changes to this rule. This rule is proposed be removed.
  - **General Revision Discussion Begins with Local Rule 3019-1:** The Committee reviewed and discussed proposed changes to this rule. This rule is proposed be removed.
  - **General Revision Discussion Begins with Local Rule 3020-1:** The Committee reviewed and discussed proposed changes to this rule. Subsections (a) and (b) of this local rule are proposed to be removed.
  - **General Revision Discussion Begins with Local Rule 3022-1 and 3022-2:** The proposed changes were discussed, additional edits made, and the outstanding issues will be discussed with Mr. Morrell to gather the Program’s perspective.
5. **Addition of Motions for D. Me. LBR 9013-1(d)(1).** This agenda item will act as a placeholder for the Committee to make any recommendations on adjustments to D. Me. LBR 9013-1(d)(1) once the review of the proposed “comprehensive” changes to the local rules has taken place. Mr. Hull will be keeping a running list of ideas and/or suggestions that are received and/or suggested. This item will remain on the agenda for future discussion.
  6. **New Business/Matters/Issues.** None.
  7. **Scheduling Next Meeting.** The next scheduled meetings will be held on July 21, 2022 and August 25, 2022. Additional meetings will be scheduled at the end of the July 21, 2022 meeting.