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United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine Local Rules Committee Meeting July 21, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Mr. Hull (Chair), Mr. Crosman, Ms. Doil, Mr. Dudley, Mr. Sleeper, Ms. Economy, Ms. Sambatakos, Mr. Morrell, Mr. Sleeper, and Ms. Fisher

Members Absent: Mr. Wholly, Mr. Anderson, and Mr. Molleur

Other Participants: Judge Cary, Ms. Bigley, and Ms. Ford

Others Absent:

1. **Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting.** The minutes from the June 16, 2022 meeting were approved.
2. **Chair Announcements.** No announcements. Mr. Hull thank those who were at and participated in the American Bankruptcy Institute Northeast conference for all their efforts.
3. **Clerk's Office Announcements/Updates.** The two Bankruptcy Power Hour training sessions were well attended. Feedback indicates that the sessions were beneficial for the bar. The video and the .PDF of the tip sheet are posted on the bankruptcy court website.
4. **Review of Local Rules for Consistency/Cross-References/Updating.**
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(a)(2):** Mr. Sleeper will circulate revised language to clarify which party bears the responsibility to send notice.
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(a)(3):** Mr. Sleeper will circulate revised language to clarify which party bears responsibility to send notice.
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(a)(4):** Title of the section will be changed retitled to "Dismissal or Conversion."
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(a)(5):** Judge Cary's recommended changes will be incorporated into the working draft.
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(a)(6):** Additional language will be added to first and second sentences in the working draft.
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(a)(7) and (8):** These sections will be labeled "Reserved."
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(b)(9):** Judge Cary will propose additional revisions.

- **Local Rule 2002-1(b):** Judge Cary will incorporate the additional revisions discussed into the working draft.
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(c):** This section will be labeled “Reserved.”
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(d):** Judge Cary will incorporate the additional revisions discussed into the working draft.
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(f)(2):** The “c” in “Chapter” will be made lowercase.
 - **Local Rule 2002-1(f)(7):** This section will be labeled “Reserved.”
 - **Local Rule 2002(f)(12):** Additional revisions were discussed and further changes made.
 - **Local Rule 2002(f)(13):** Mr. Hull will consider this provision with Local Rule 2002(h) and report to the group.
 - **Local Rule 2002(g):** This section will be labeled “Reserved.” The existing language will be put under its own heading of “2002-2.”
 - **Local Rule 2002(h):** Mr. Hull will consider this provision with Local Rule 2002(f)(13) and report to the group.
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.**