

MINUTES

United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine Local Rules Committee Meeting March 11, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Sam Anderson, Shawn Doil, Andrew Dudley, Kellie Fisher, Nate Hull, and Anthony Manhart

Members Absent: Ann Dirsa and Jen Hayden

Other Participants: Monica Bigley

1. **Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting.** The minutes from the September 16, 2025 meeting were approved.
2. **Chair Announcements.** Welcome to the Committee, Anthony Manhart.
3. **Clerk's Office Announcements.** Will Sandstead has been selected as the next Chief Deputy of the Bankruptcy Court.
4. **Prior Matters.**
 - a. **Federal Rule 2002(a)(8) and LR 2002(b)(3): Discussion on inconsistency between Federal Rule 2002(a)(8) and LR 2002(b)(3) relative to chapter 12 cases (Jen Hayden and Andrew Dudley):** Tabled for next meeting.
5. **New Matters**
 - a. **Request to consider revising Local Form 2B.** Kellie has received feedback regarding the Local Form for Confirmation Orders. The feedback was not clear as to the issue. Kellie will obtain more clarity on the issue and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.
 - b. **Disposable Income in Chapter 7 Cases.** Nate Hull reported that, in his experiences, the US Trustee has been carefully examining chapter 7 debtors' disposable income on Schedule J. He is seeing more Motions to Dismiss or Convert and expects this trend to continue.
6. **Scheduling Next Meeting.** May 14, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Teams invite to be sent out.