

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE REGARDING UPDATED COURT OPERATIONS DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC
HEALTH CRISIS

On March 25, 2020, the Bankruptcy Court issued a notice regarding the closure of the Detroit courthouse and the state of court operations during the COVID-19 public health crisis. Due to the closure of the Detroit courthouse no hearings were held by the Detroit judges from March 26, 2020 through April 1, 2020. The purpose of this notice is to provide updated information regarding court operations.

All hearings presently scheduled for April 2, 2020, and for the foreseeable future, will be held telephonically, under the terms of Administrative Order 2020-04, at the dates and times presently scheduled, subject to further notice or order of the Court.

The Court continues to accept electronic filings through the Court's CM/ECF system. Court staff are working remotely to perform necessary tasks associated with all cases such as the quality assuring of documents, sending deficiencies, docketing orders, and setting hearings. Court staff are also available by phone to answer questions.

The Detroit bankruptcy courthouse at 211 W. Fort Street remains closed with no mail delivery service or drop box options for filing of traditional paper documents. At this time, the Flint and Bay City courthouses remain open, and currently have mail delivery and drop boxes available for traditional paper documents. Please contact the court with any questions regarding emergency filing of traditional paper documents by calling one of the following numbers: (313) 316-6155; (313) 212-8858; or (313) 310-7549

Because of difficulties and interruptions in receiving regular mail of traditional paper documents, the court has developed a new pro se document upload program. This program will allow parties without an attorney to upload documents to the court for filing in place of having to file traditional paper documents. The court will be issuing a notice shortly explaining this new program.

Date: April 1, 2020

Katherine B. Gullo
Clerk of Court