<u>Notice of Proposed Changes to the Local Rules of the</u> <u>United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas</u> <u>To Become Effective March 17, 2021</u>

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas gives notice of additional proposed changes to the Local Bankruptcy Rules ("LBRs") that will become effective March 17, 2021, unless comments are received that precipitate further review. Interested persons, whether or not members of the bar, are invited to submit comments addressed to:

Clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Kansas 401 N. Market, Room 167 Wichita, Kansas 67202.

All comments must be in writing and must be received by the Clerk no later than **February 16**, **2021**, to be considered by the Court.

On January 8, 2021, the Court announced proposed changes to its Local Bankruptcy Rules that would update LBR 2002.2, add LBR 2002.3, and delete LBR 5005.1, Appendix 1-01, ¶ VII. At the recommendation of the Bankruptcy Bench Bar Committee, the Court also proposes to amend the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas by adding a new LBR 4004.1, as follows:

Proposed Changes to Local Rules

LBR 4004.1 Discharge in Chapter 12 and Chapter 13 Cases

Debtor shall file with the Court a combined Certification of Debtor and Motion for Entry of Discharge in order to obtain a discharge upon completion of all plan payments.

- (a) Timing. The Certification and Motion shall not be filed until after the trustee has filed the Notice of Plan Completion.
- (b) Content. The Certification shall be signed by the debtor under penalty of perjury and must substantially comply with the Chapter 13 Debtor's Certifications Regarding Domestic Support Obligations and Section 522(q) (Form B2830).
- (c) Notice. The Certification and Motion shall be filed electronically with the Court using the Court's Electronic Filing System and provide 21 days' notice to the following:
 - (1) Parties requesting electronic noticing through the Court's Electronic Filing System; and
 - (2) Any Domestic Support Obligation (DSO) claim holder and the State child support enforcement agency, if applicable.

Adopted 3/17/21.