

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS  
STANDING ORDER NO. 18-1  
ORDER EXPANDING BANKRUPTCY BENCH BAR  
COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

The court has identified a need to periodically study the Local Bankruptcy Rules and the operating procedures of the court as they relate to Chapter 12 of the Bankruptcy Code and to receive recommendations and advice about those Rules and procedures. The court finds that it would be beneficial for a Chapter 12 Trustee to serve occasionally as a member of the Bench Bar Committee.

In consideration of the foregoing, and pursuant to D. Kan. L.B.R. 9029.2,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that D. Kan. L.B.R. 9029.3 is amended as follows:

**LBR 9029.3  
BANKRUPTCY BENCH BAR COMMITTEE**

There is a Bankruptcy Bench Bar Committee appointed by the court.

**(a) Membership.** The committee consists of the chief judge, any other judges who may from time to time be appointed by the court, the United States Attorney or a designated assistant, the U.S. Trustee for Region 20 or a designated assistant, six actively practicing members of the bar of the bankruptcy court, a Chapter 13 Trustee, and a Chapter 7 Trustee, selected by the bankruptcy judges. The bankruptcy judges may also appoint a Chapter 12 Trustee as needed.

**(b) Terms of Office.** The court will appoint the six actively practicing members of the bar, the Chapter 13 trustee, and the Chapter 7 trustee to serve three year terms to begin on July 1 of each year. Any appointed Chapter 12 trustee will serve a three year term or other lesser term as the court may decide. If a committee member is unable to complete the term of appointment, a replacement member may be appointed to complete the term.

**(c) Meetings.** The Bench Bar Committee will meet as it determines and as determined by the chief judge.

**(d) Duties.** The Bench Bar Committee will have general advisory and liaison roles regarding the operation of the court and will, among other things:

- (1) provide a forum for the continuous study of the operating procedures of the court;
- (2) serve as liaison among the court, its bar and the public;

- (3) study, consider, and recommend the adoption, amendment, or rescission of the Rules of Practice of the court; and
- (4) make any studies and render any reports and recommendations as the court directs.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 1st day of February, 2018.

s/ Janice Miller Karlin  
JANICE MILLER KARLIN  
Chief Judge

s/ Robert E. Nugent III  
ROBERT E. NUGENT III  
Judge

s/ Dale L. Somers  
DALE L. SOMERS  
Judge

s/ Robert D. Berger  
ROBERT D. BERGER  
Judge