
1. Clarification of March 23, 2020 Order re: debtor signatures

On March 23, 2020, Chief Judge Ridgway entered an ***Order temporarily suspending requirement to obtain original signatures from debtors for electronic filings.***

The order, by its terms, addresses debtor signatures ONLY. It does NOT change the signature requirement for attorneys in Local Rule 1007-3-1, governing the Notice of Responsibilities.

Debtors' attorneys are not required to file anything with the court establishing they have complied with the order in obtaining a debtor's digital signature. The order provides that an attorney's submission of any document bearing a debtor's digital signature is the attorney's certification that the attorney has obtained the debtor's signature in compliance with the order. The attorney should retain, in his or her own files, documentation, if any, of such compliance.

2. Phone requests for documents requiring pre-payment by credit card processed only one day each week

To minimize the numbers of staff in the clerk's office during the COVID-19 outbreak, phone requests for documents requiring pre-payment by credit card will be processed only one day each week, as follows:

Monday, March 30
Wednesday, April 8
Wednesday, April 15
Wednesday, April 22
Wednesday, April 29

In light of this schedule, those with a request for documents -- particularly if such request is time-sensitive -- are strongly encouraged to mail the request, together with a check or money order, to the clerk's office. Requests received through the mail will be processed the day they are received.

3. Updated COVID-19 information on the court's website

Additional information concerning clerk's office operations during COVID-19, courthouse access, hearings and trials, 341 meetings and U.S. Trustee audits is available on the court's website under [Court Operations during COVID-19](#).