UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

GENERAL ORDER REGARDING THE FILING OF FINAL REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS IN CASES CONVERTED FROM CHAPTER 13 TO CHAPTER 7

WHEREAS, Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1019(5)(B)(ii) provides that "unless the Court directs

otherwise, if a Chapter 13 case is converted to Chapter 7, ... the Trustee, not later than 30 days

after conversion of the case, shall file and transmit...a final report and account..."; and

WHEREAS, the Chapter 13 Trustees in the District of New Jersey regularly file a Notice of

Funds on Hand, which notice provides opportunities for parties to respond to a proposed

distribution of funds held by the Chapter 13 Trustee; and

WHEREAS, upon review and consideration, it appears that in certain procedural

circumstances, the Chapter 13 Trustees for the District of New Jersey are unable to comply with

Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1019(5);

**IT IS** hereby on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021 **ORDERED**:

Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1019(5)(B) and 9006(b)(1), and for cause shown, if a Chapter 13

case pending in the District of New Jersey is converted to a case under Chapter 7 of Title 11 of the

United States Code, the Chapter 13 Trustee shall file a final report and account on or before the

later of (i) 30 days after the date of conversion, or (ii) 45 days after all outstanding checks issued

by the Chapter 13 Trustee in the subject case have been negotiated and cleared.

Michael B. Kaplan, Chief Judge

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

District of New Jersey