IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

In re:)
Institution of Wage Withholding in)
Cases Under Chapter 13)

General Order 25-02

A debtor who files a petition under Chapter 13 of the Bankruptcy Code must submit all future income to the jurisdiction of the bankruptcy court. Payments must start no later than 30 days after the date the case was filed. *See* 11 U.S.C. § 1326(a)(1). This order applies in all cases where the debtor pays the trustee through employer wage withholding.

A Case Information Sheet is attached that contains payment directions.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, immediately after the entity from whom the debtor receives income (herein the "employer") receives a copy of this order:

- 1. The employer must comply with the instructions on the Case Information Sheet and must deduct and withhold from the debtor's income the amount stated beginning on the pay day after this order is received. The employer must deduct a similar amount for each pay period thereafter, including any period the debtor receives periodic or lump sum payment for or on account of vacation, termination, or other benefits arising out of present or past employment of the debtor.
- 2. Payments must be sent to the Chapter 13 trustee appointed in this case or her successor in interest.
- 3. The employer must timely pay the debtor, in accordance with its usual payroll procedure, all earnings and wages of the debtor except the amount required to be withheld by the provisions of this order, any laws of the United States, the laws of any State or political subdivision, or by any insurance, pension, or union dues agreement between employer and the debtor.
- 4. The employer may not deduct from the debtor's pay any amounts on account of any garnishment, wage assignment, credit union, or other purpose not specifically authorized by this court from the earnings of the debtor except: (1) withholding for payment of a domestic support obligation under a judicial or administrative order or a statute; or (2) withholding solely for payment of a loan from a pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, or other plan as described in 11 U.S.C. § 362(b)(19).
- 5. If the debtor's employment is terminated, the employer must immediately notify the Chapter 13 trustee of the date of and reason for termination.
- 6. The employer must not dismiss, demote, discipline, discharge, refuse to employ, or in any way discriminate against or penalize the employee because of the bankruptcy filing or this order. *See* 11 U.S.C. § 525.

The Chapter 13 trustee must complete Case Information Sheet, serve it along with a copy of this order on the debtor(s) and the employer, and file with the court a copy of the documents served. The trustee may notify the employer to cease withholding if the debtor's employment is terminated, if the case is dismissed, if the plan is completed, or for other similar reasons.

This order supersedes previous orders or general orders to make payments to the Chapter 13 trustee.

Dated: May <u>6</u>, 2025

Thomas L. Saladino, Chief Judge

Brian S. Kruse, Judge

Case Information:

Case No.: Debtor's Name: Debtor's Soc. Sec. No.:

To Employer:

Wages to be withheld (effective as of):

You must timely pay the withheld wages to the Chapter 13 trustee. You must include the debtor's case number on the check and mail the payment to:

ERIN M. MCCARTNEY, TRUSTEE PO BOX . Omaha, NE 681

For your convenience, payments may be remitted to the Trustee electronically by online payment through Nationwide TFS, LLC. Nationwide TFS, LLC is a private company that is not affiliated in any way with the Trustee. The Trustee does not share any fees paid to TFS. For more information, please visit https://tfsbillpay.com/employer.

The Chapter 13 trustee certifies that a copy of this order was served on the following by regular United States Mail, postage prepaid on

Debtor name Address Employer

Address

<u>s/Erin M. McCartney</u> Chapter 13 trustee

*Call with questions: locally at (402) 697-0437, or long distance at 1-800-884-0437