

United States Bankruptcy Court

Southern District of Mississippi

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NOTICE REGARDING HEARINGS

Beginning March 23, 2020, and until further notice, all hearings will be conducted telephonically unless you are notified otherwise by a Courtroom Deputy.

Witnesses may not be examined, nor evidence offered, by telephone except in extremely rare emergency situations as determined by the Court.

The Court has established the following mandatory procedures for all participants in telephonic hearings:

Call-in Number and Participation Code

Judge Olack

Courtroom 4C	877-336-1839	Access Code	8279999#
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Courtroom 4D	877-336-1839	Access Code	6225173#
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Judge Samson	877-873-8017	Access Code	1059329#
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Connection to the Courtroom

- Participants shall use a landline.
- Participants shall not use a speaker phone system.
- Participants shall not operate a motor vehicle while connected to a telephonic hearing.
- Participants shall dial into the conference line at least 10 minutes before the scheduled hearing time.
 - Any participant that calls in to the hearing after the scheduled time will be treated as having appeared late for a hearing and may be locked out of the call.
 - For technical problems, contact the Court at 601-608- 4660.
- Participants shall not record the telephonic hearing. The Court will record the hearing using the Court's electronic court recording system.
- Once a participant enters the conference code, the participant may be immediately connected to the courtroom audio system.

- All participants shall mute their lines at all times when not addressing the court.
 - Participants shall assure that no background noise is transmitted, including music, typing, paper shuffling, background conversations, etc.
- Participants shall not place their lines on hold at any time while connected.
- Participants shall remain quiet until court is opened and is in session.
- The court docket will be called consistent with in-person hearing procedures. Participants shall introduce themselves and any other person that is on the line with the participant (even if the participant or other person does not plan to speak at the hearing) when their respective matter is called.
 - Attorneys and their respective clients shall participate together from one location.
- Participants must identify themselves before speaking each time during a hearing.
- If a participant is inadvertently disconnected during a hearing, the participant should first attempt to reconnect with the call-in number and access code. If the conference is “locked,” the participant should contact the Court at 601-608- 4660.
- The Court reserves the right to place any participant on mute or disconnect a participant that causes a disruption during a hearing.
- The Court’s process for publishing calendars will not change. Each judge’s calendar will remain available on the Court’s website at www.mssb.uscourts.gov.
- Participation in telephonic hearings is limited to attorneys licensed in the State of Mississippi or admitted *pro hac vice* (See Miss. Bankr. L.R. 9010-1).

Any attorney with questions regarding the telephonic hearing process or who needs an in-person hearing should contact Chambers.

Danny L. Miller
Clerk of Court
March 18, 2020