UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In Re:

BANKRUPTCY NOTICING CENTER
SERVICE INTERRUPTION

Administrative Order 26-08

ORDER ADDRESSING RESTORATION OF BANKRRUPTCY NOTICING CENTER SERVICES AND TERMINATION OF TEMPORARY NOTICING PROCEDURES

On October 23, 2026, the Court entered Administrative Order 26-07 in response to the nationwide interruption of services provided by the Bankruptcy Noticing Center ("BNC"). Administrative Order 26-07 established temporary procedures for effecting service of notices and orders during the interruption.

The Court has been advised that on October 26, 2026, the BNC fully restored its normal noticing operations and reopened access to the National Creditor Registration Service ("NCRS") along with the preferred-address functionality associated with 11 U.S.C. § 342(f). The Court is further advised that all applicable notices and orders generated by the Court on or after October 26, 206, will be served by the BNC in the normal course. BNC also started to address the backlog of unserved notices that accumulated between October 7, 2026, and October 25, 2026. The unserved notices will be distributed by BNC beginning this week, and BNC expects to clear the entire backlog by or about November 1, 2026.

As a result of the restoration of BNC services, the temporary substitute-noticing procedures of Administrative Order 26-07 are no longer necessary. The Court nevertheless determines it appropriate to preserve the effect of service properly accomplished during the interruption and to resolve any issues arising from the delayed notice or service.

Accordingly, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 105(a), applicable Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and the Court's authority to administer its docket, and subject to applicable statutes and due process, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. Restoration of BNC Services. The Clerk is directed to resume transmitting notices and orders to the BNC for processing in the ordinary course, with BNC utilizing the NCRS and applicable preferred-

address procedures under 11 U.S.C. § 342(f) in accordance with applicable law.

2. Termination of Temporary Procedures. Effective immediately, Administrative Order 26-07 is terminated prospectively. Debtors, trustees, and other parties are relieved of the additional noticing obligations imposed by Administrative Order 26-07 for documents that BNC is obligated to serve. Nothing in this paragraph alters any service obligations independently imposed by statute, rule, local rule, or an order entered in an individual case.

3. Notices Generated During the Interruption. Notices and orders in the BNC backlog will be served through the restored BNC process. A document's prior submission to BNC for processing in and of itself without completed service, however, does not constitute proof of service. The actual service performed and the corresponding certificate of notice will govern the record of BNC service. The date of service stated in the BNC certificate of notice, not the date on which the certificate is docketed, is the date of BNC service.

4. Service Previously Completed. Service properly effected by a debtor, trustee, or other party during the interruption remains effective to the extent permitted by applicable law. Later BNC service of a document already properly served does not start or restart any period.

5. Bankruptcy Rules Emergency Declaration. On October 23, 2026, before BNC services were restored, the Judicial Conference of the United States declared a "Bankruptcy Rules emergency" under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9038. While the declaration is in effect, Rule 9038(c) authorizes the chief bankrupt judge to extend or toll certain deadlines for all cases in the district, and presiding judge to do so in a specific case, except time periods imposed by statute. The declaration remains in effect through January 7, 2027, unless the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts terminates it earlier. Notwithstanding the emergency declaration, the Court opted not to grant a blanket extension of time or toll any applicable time periods or deadlines across all cases.

6. Deadlines, Hearings, and Requests for Relief. The Court will assess the need for relief from any deadline affected by the BNC service interruption on a case-by-case basis. Any party affected during the interruption by notice that was delayed, insufficient, or never given may seek appropriate relief by filing

a motion in the affected case or proceeding. This Order does not, by itself, extend, shorten, restart, or otherwise alter any statutory or rule-based deadline or any scheduled hearing.

Date: October 28, 2026

Wendy A. Kinsella
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge