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United States Bankruptcy Court



Shallanda “Che” Clay
Northern District of Mississippi

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Southern District of Mississippi

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Agenda

- Proposed Amendments – Federal Rules (12-1-2021)
- Local Rules Advisory Committee
- Debtor Email Notification
- Northern District – Operations Update
- Southern District – Operations Update
- Introducing – ChapMobile (mobile court calendar)

Proposed Amendments

Federal Bankruptcy Rules

Effective Date

December 1, 2021

Federal Bankruptcy Rules

Proposed Amendments – December 1, 2021

Rule 2005 – Apprehension and Removal of Debtor to Compel Attendance for Examination

- (c) Conditions of Release.
 - Amended to provide that in setting conditions to assure a debtor's appearance at certain proceedings, the court should consider "relevant" provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 3142.
 - Updates an outdated statutory reference to 18 U.S.C. § 3146 and limits the consideration to only "relevant" provisions of this statute that addresses conditions to assure a criminal defendant's attendance at trial.

Federal Bankruptcy Rules

Proposed Amendments – December 1, 2021

Rule 3007 – Objections to Claims

- (a) Time and Manner of Service.
 - Subsection (a)(2)(A)(ii) amended to clarify that the special service method required by Rule 7004(h) must be used for service of objections to claims only on insured depository institutions as defined in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.
 - Eliminates interpretation that service pursuant to 7004(h) applies to credit unions insured by the National Credit Union Administration.

Federal Bankruptcy Rules

Proposed Amendments – December 1, 2021

Rule 7007.1 – Corporate Ownership Statement

- Amended to extend the corporate disclosure requirement to nongovernmental corporations that seek to intervene in an adversary proceeding.

Federal Bankruptcy Rules

Proposed Amendments – December 1, 2021

Rule 9036 – Notice and Service ~~Generally~~ by Electronic Transmission

- Subsections added to separate methods of electronic noticing and service available to the courts from those available to parties.
- Both may serve or provide notice to registered ECF users by filing documents with the system.
- Both may serve and provide notice to any entity by electronic means consented to in writing by the recipient.
- Only courts may serve or give notice at an electronic address registered with the Bankruptcy Noticing Center (BNC) as part of the noticing program.

Local Rules Advisory Committee

Jim Wilson, Chairperson

Terre Vardaman

Anitra Eubanks

Melanie Vardaman

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Danny L. Miller

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Christopher Maddux

Kristen Swearengen

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Shallanda “Che” Clay

Debtor Email Notification

Advantages:

- **Free** – No charge to the Debtor.
- **Fast** - Receive certain court orders/notices same day as filed.
- **Convenient** – Access anywhere with internet access.
- **Go Green** - Less paper.

Notices and orders filed by the court will be emailed to debtor.

- Attorneys, trustees, and creditors must continue to serve debtor as required by court rules.

Request Debtor Email Notification:

- See court website to download necessary local form.

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Status of Operations Update

Clerk's Office – Remains Open and Fully Operational

- **Temperature Check and Face Mask Required to Enter Courthouse;**

Court Proceedings – Judges Maddox and Woodard

- **Mostly Telephonic for Foreseeable Future;**
- **Video or In Person at Judge's Direction Only;**



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Online ECF Training Available

Training for Attorneys and Support Staff:

- Common Filings for Debtors' Counsel;
- Common Filings for Creditors' Counsel;
- Tailored to Trainee(s) Upon Request;

To Schedule Training:

- Contact Tamika Johnson: **662-319-3550**
- Clerk's Office Number: **662-369-2596**



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Announcements/Reminders

Website Resources – www.msnb.uscourts.gov

- Calendars (Court Dockets, Interactive Calendar, ChapMobile Information)
- Bankruptcy Forms Page – Templates and Required Forms Available
- Local Rules and Standing Orders
- Home Page - Subscribe to Court's E-mail List



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CM/ECF Filing Tips and Reminders

- PLEASE Contact Clerk's Office with Questions;
E.g., Filing requirements, Corrective action;
- Pleadings with Multiple Reliefs – Select All Events;
Some events must be filed separately;
- Generic Motion Event – Not for Common Use;
Use when no event “fits” your filing;
- Presumption of Abuse = Unknown if Means Test Not
Filed with Voluntary Petition;
- Amend Creditor Matrix = Update Creditor Database

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COVID Update

- Pay close attention to notices regarding hearings:
 - In-person,
 - Telephonic,
 - Video (from the courtroom), or
 - Online video teleconference (i.e. Zoom).



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COVID Update

- **In-person hearing** (in the courtroom)
 - **Mask required** in courthouse (judge discretion in courtroom)
 - **Social distancing** required in courtroom
 - Ten-person limit in courtroom (not including court staff)
 - Compliance with District Court Special Order required



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COVID Update

- **Telephonic hearings**

- Dial in at least 10 minutes before hearing
- Land line strongly preferred
- Do not use speaker phone
- Headset microphone recommended
- Keep line muted when not talking
- Identify yourself each time you speak
- Do not record the call



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COVID Update

- **Video hearings (in courtroom)**
 - See in-person hearing requirements



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COVID Update

- **Online video teleconference hearings (i.e. Zoom)**
 - Court will send a **link via email**. You may be required to **download software** (only once).
 - You will be required to contact the court to **test your connection** and device.
 - Ensure that you have a **good quality internet connection**.
 - Ensure that you have an **“adequate” device** (tablet, laptop, or desk top computer preferred)



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COVID Update

- **Online video teleconference hearings (con't)**
 - **Headset microphone** preferred over computer microphone
 - Connect at least 10-15 minutes before hearing to check connection, etc.
 - Make sure that you are **muted** (and remember to unmute when you need to speak)
 - **Identify yourself** each time that you speak
 - **Do not record** the video or audio



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Online Attorney/Staff Training

New staff.

Refresher for current staff.

Jackson: **601-608-4600**

Gulfport: **228-563-1790**

Danny: 601-608-4612



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Wi-Fi in the Courtrooms

- Wi-Fi
- Default address for each courtroom



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Attorney Business Center

- Cochran Courthouse – Jackson
- Wi-Fi
- Wireless printing (limited use)
- Charging station for mobile devices
- For attorneys only.
 - Not for meeting with clients.
- Cannot be reserved.



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Interactive Court Calendar

Interactive Court Calendar - Bankruptcy - SD Miss Current as of: 11/6/2019 8:30 AM

Quick Search Advanced Search Reset

7 Digit Case Number(XX-XXXXX) or Debtor First or Last Name Q Search

Search by a 7 digit case number (##-####) or debtor first or last name.

Date	Time	Order	Location	Judge	Case #	Case Title	Hearing Text
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51259-KMS	Sharon Patrice Jones	Order to Appear and Show Cause for failure to pay the installment of 1
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51275-KMS	William Henry Hale	Order to Show Cause for failure to comply with the Notice of Deficiency
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11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51500-KMS	WILLIE EARL MOTON	Order to Appear and Show Cause for failure to file the Schedules and
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51500-KMS	WILLIE EARL MOTON	Order to Show Cause for failure to pay the required filing fee of \$335.00
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51614-KMS	Katherine Amanda Dickerson	Reaffirmation Agreement (Pro Se) between Debtor and
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51924-KMS	Valerie B Sidney	Order to Show Cause for failure to file the Schedules/Statements (Sh
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-06027-KMS	Lentz v. Donald Norris A...	Motion to Dismiss Party Filed by Defendant Donald P. Norris (Attachm
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51414-KMS	Mary Dean	Motion to Assume Lease or Executory Contract , or
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	18-50629-KMS	Dawn R Ruble	Motion To Stay (related documents 594 Notice of Final Report of Trust
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-52106-KMS	John Frank Romano, Jr.	Order to Show Cause for failure to file the Certificate of Credit Counse
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-03578-KMS	Bernard Lee Rosse	Certification of exigent circumstances that merits
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-06039-KMS	Lentz v. Steelman, Jr.	Notice of Status Conference (RE: related document(s)1 Complaint file
11/7/2019	09:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	17-06050-KMS	Elg Rock Sports LLC v. ...	Notice of Status Conference (RE: related document(s)1 Complaint file
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11/7/2019	09:00 AM	1	Courtroom 4C - Olack...	Olack	18-00128-NPD	Behr Holdings Trust v. ...	Trial: Adversary case 18-00128. (67 (Dischargeability - 523(a)(4), frau
11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-50995-KMS	Lisa Davis	Confirmation Hearing Objection to Confirmation filed by Select Portfoli
11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51593-KMS	Michael Linn Hanner an...	Confirmation Hearing Objection to Valuation filed by American Credit
11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51649-KMS	Colin P. Gahagan and Cl...	Confirmation Hearing Objection to Confirmation filed by MS Dept. of F
11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51699-KMS	Shunda U Williams	Confirmation Hearing Objection to Valuation filed by Creditor W.S. Ba
11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	14-51063-KMS	Vernell Harper and Fran...	Order to Show Cause for failure to comply with the Notice of Deficiency
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11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51560-KMS	Judith L. Marsh	Confirmation Hearing Objection to Confirmation filed by First Heritage
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11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51632-KMS	Jerome Allen	Order Scheduling Show Cause Hearing for Failure to Obtain Prepetitio
11/7/2019	10:00 AM	0	Courtroom - Gulfport	Samson	19-51842-KMS	Barbara Baranowski	Order to Appear and Show Cause for failure to file the Schedules and
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Unclaimed Funds Locator

The screenshot shows a web form titled "U.S. Bankruptcy Unclaimed Funds Locator" with navigation links for "Home" and "About". The form includes the following fields:

- Court:** A dropdown menu with "MSSB - MSS" selected.
- Creditor Last/Business Name:** A text input field.
- Creditor First Name:** A text input field.
- Case Number:** A text input field.
- Debtor Last/Business Name:** A text input field.
- Debtor First Name:** A text input field.
- Amounts Greater Than:** A field with a dollar sign icon and the value "0".
- Entered On or After:** A field with a calendar icon and the placeholder text "Date Entered on or After".

At the bottom of the form are two buttons: a red "Clear" button and a blue "Search" button.

Disclaimer
The court unit links accessible through the U. S. Bankruptcy Unclaimed Funds Locator are provided for the user's convenience. Each court unit is solely responsible for maintaining that unit's applicable unclaimed funds search criteria information. A user is invited to contact a linked court unit regarding that unit's specific unclaimed funds deposit and disposition procedures. Questions should be directed to the linked court unit.



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Official Court Announcements:

- New Rules and/or Forms
- Court closure due to weather, etc.
- Job announcements

Training Videos



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Court Calendar

Court Hearings Meeting of Creditors

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Local Rules

Amendments Local Bankruptcy Rules

Effective December 1, 2015

[See Local Rules](#)

Notices and Announcements

Date

Limited Public Parking at the Jackson Federal Courthouse	07/23/2015
Bankruptcy filings in S.D. Miss. are up 5% in June 2015, but down 1.8% for first six months of 2015.	07/07/2015
New Local Forms to Restrict Public Access and Redact Documents Effective April 1, 2015	03/27/2015
New Standing Order - Procedure for Modification of Chapter 13 Plan effective April 1, 2015	03/16/2015
New Online Payment Option for Filing Fees	01/30/2015
Amendments to Uniform Local Bankruptcy Rules - Eff. December 1, 2014	11/30/2014

Attention Creditors

Free Electronic Bankruptcy Noticing (Email)

[Register Now](#)

Official Bankruptcy Forms

Revised Effective December 1, 2015

[See Revised Forms](#)

COURT INFORMATION

Judges

Honorable Neil P. Olack, Chief Judge
Honorable Edward Ellington
Honorable Katharine M. Samson

Clerk of Court

Danny L. Miller

Courthouse Locations

501 E. Court St., Ste 2.300
Jackson, MS 39201
Phone: (601) 608-4600

2012 15th St., Ste. 244
Gulfport, MS 39501
Phone: (228) 563-1790

(Hearings Only)
701 Main Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Courtroom Technology Guide

Restrictions: Cell phones and other electronic devices

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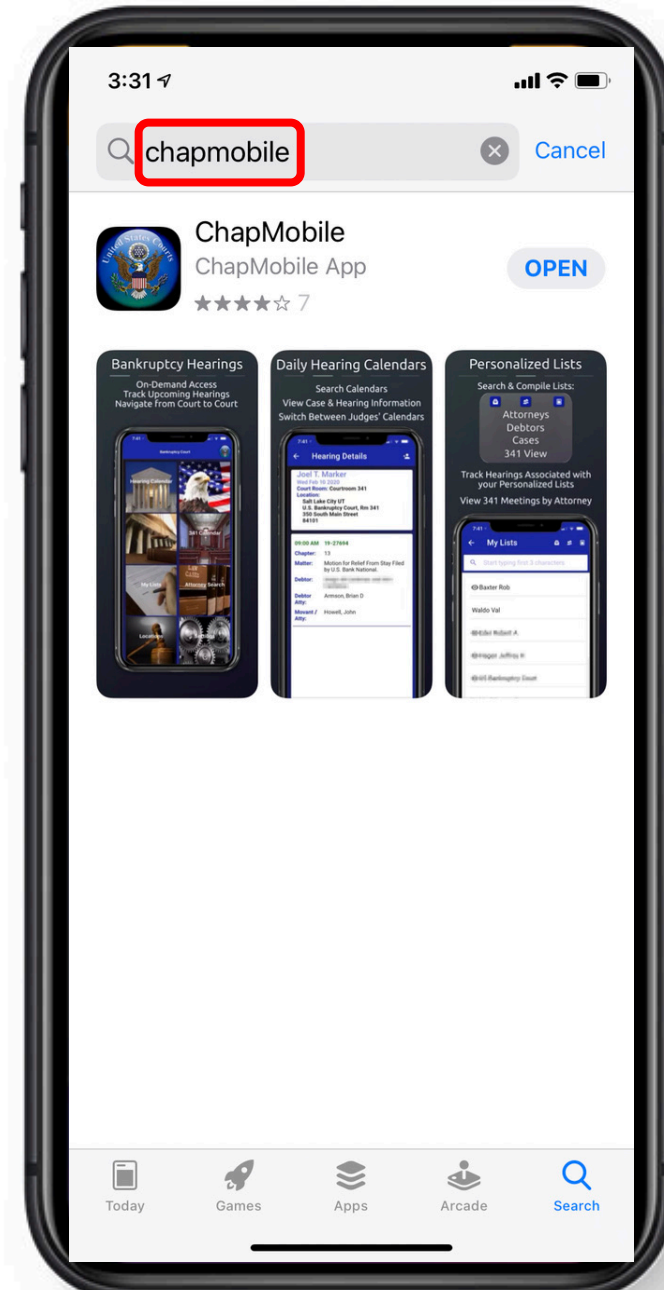
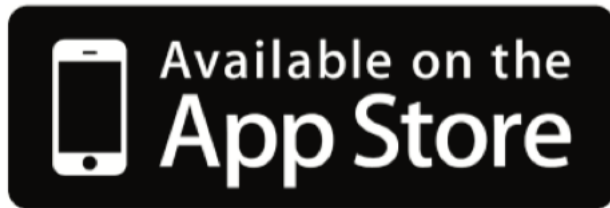
Mobile Court Calendar



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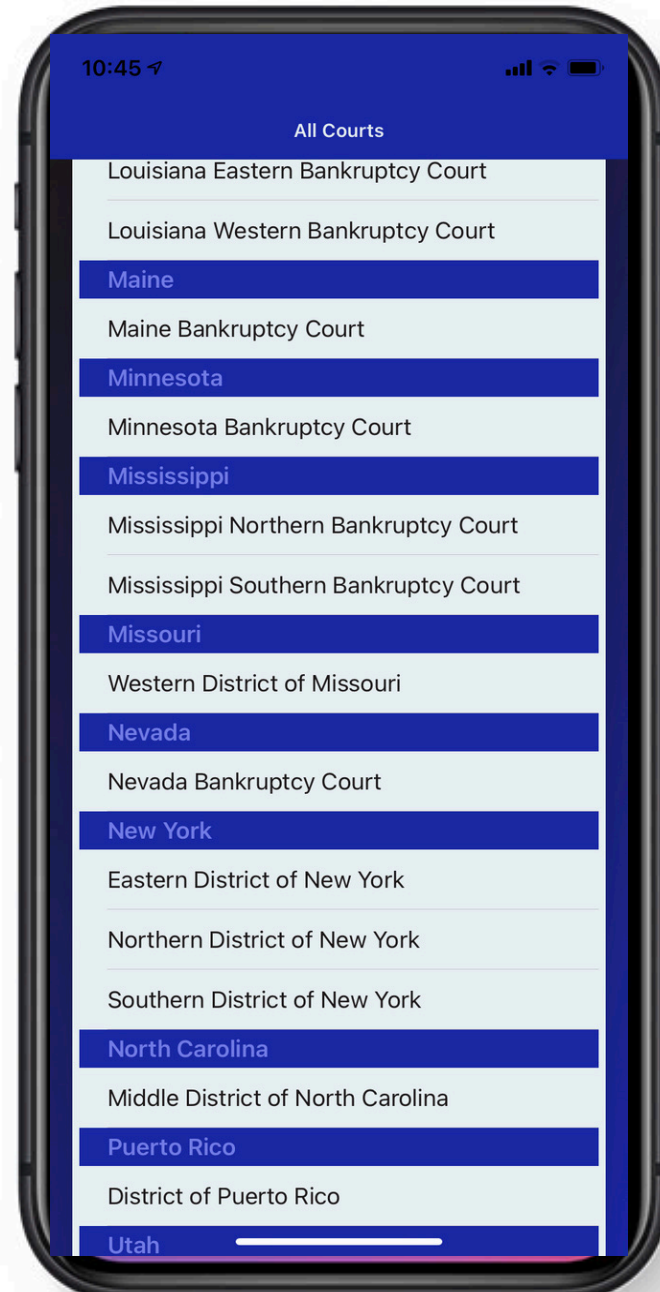
A free app for Apple and Android devices that allows users to **see 30 days of public calendar information** for participating United States Bankruptcy Courts.



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When the app is opened for the first time, it offers a [list of participating bankruptcy courts](#). You can scroll down the list of courts.

Select a “default” court by tapping the name of the court.



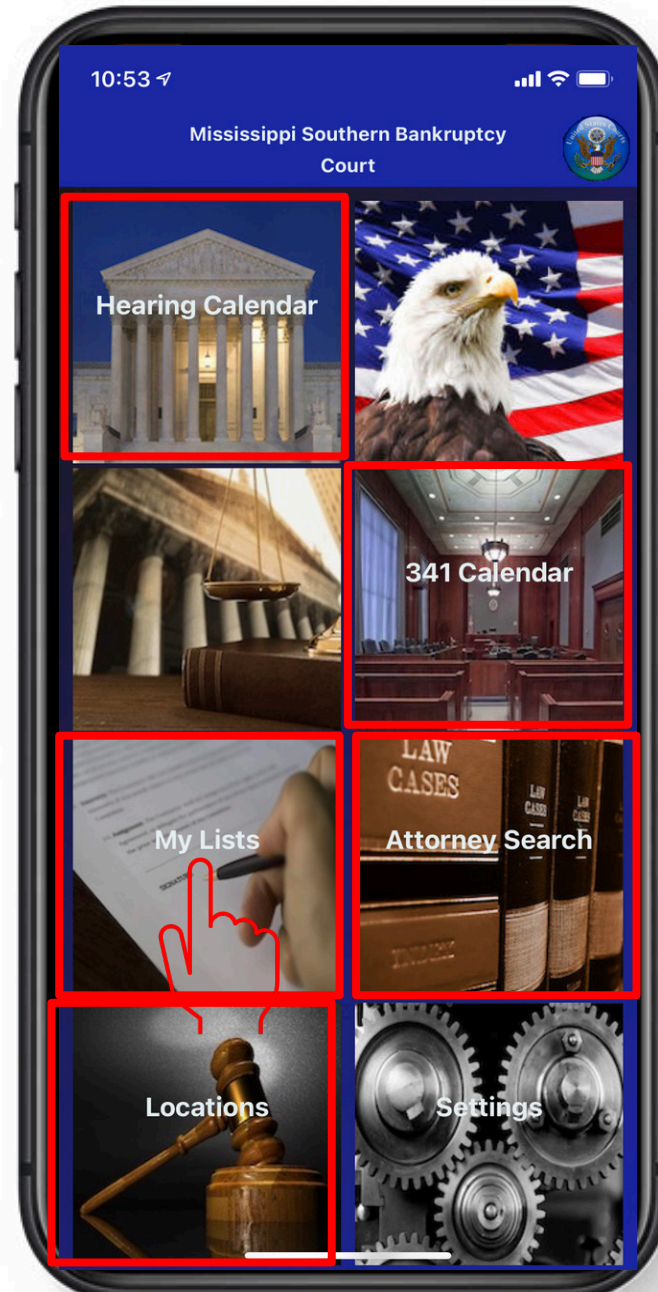
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Home Page – Southern District Bankruptcy

All court hearings for next 30 days displayed by date and by judge.

Personalize calendars by attorney.

Court locations and contact information.



All 341 Meetings displayed by date and by trustee.

Search for registered atty. View hearings for that attorney.

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Start typing first three characters of an attorney's last name.

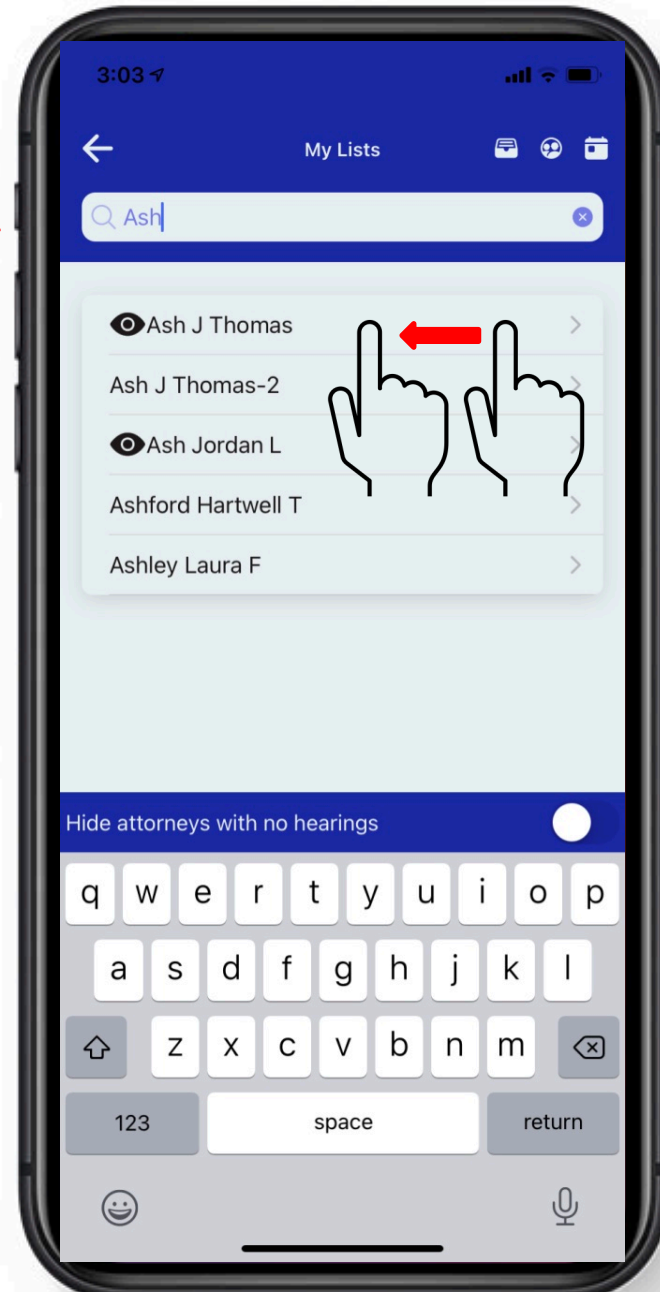


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Start typing first three characters of an attorney's last name.

A list of matching names will appear.

Swipe left with your finger on the selected name.



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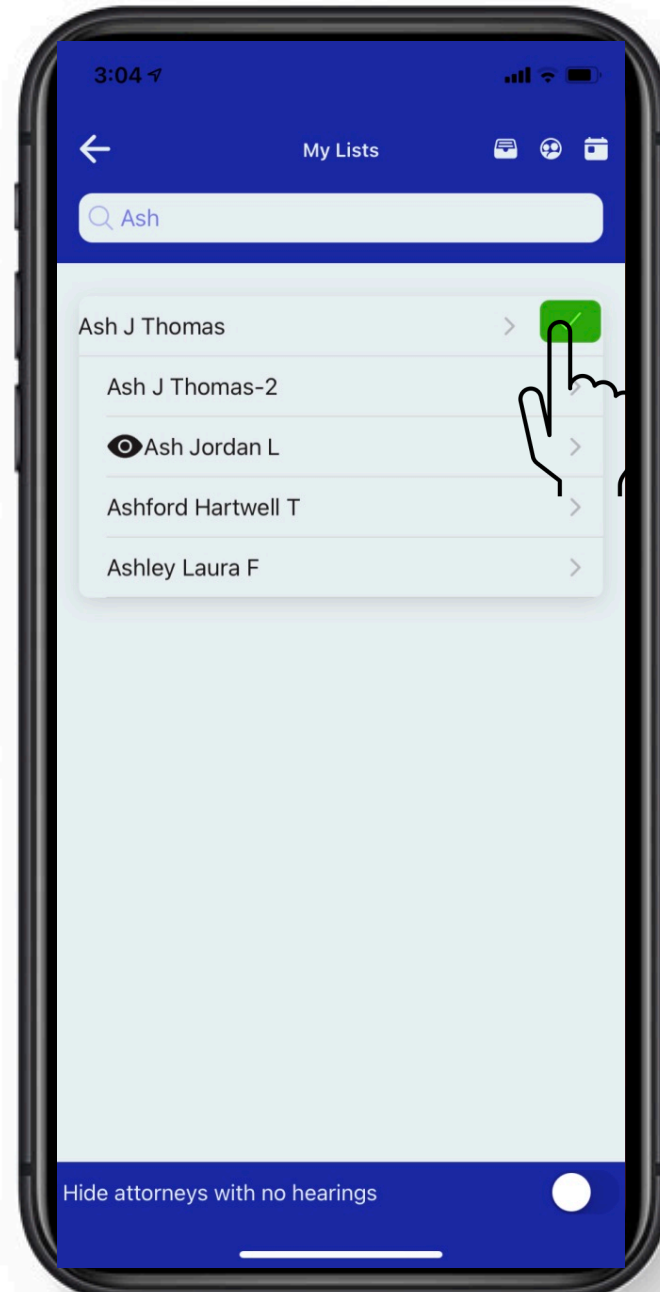
Start typing first three characters of an attorney's last name.

A list of matching names will appear.

Swipe left with your finger on the selected name.

A green check box will appear beside the selected name.

Tap the green check box to save the name.



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Start typing first three characters of an attorney's last name.

A list of matching names will appear.

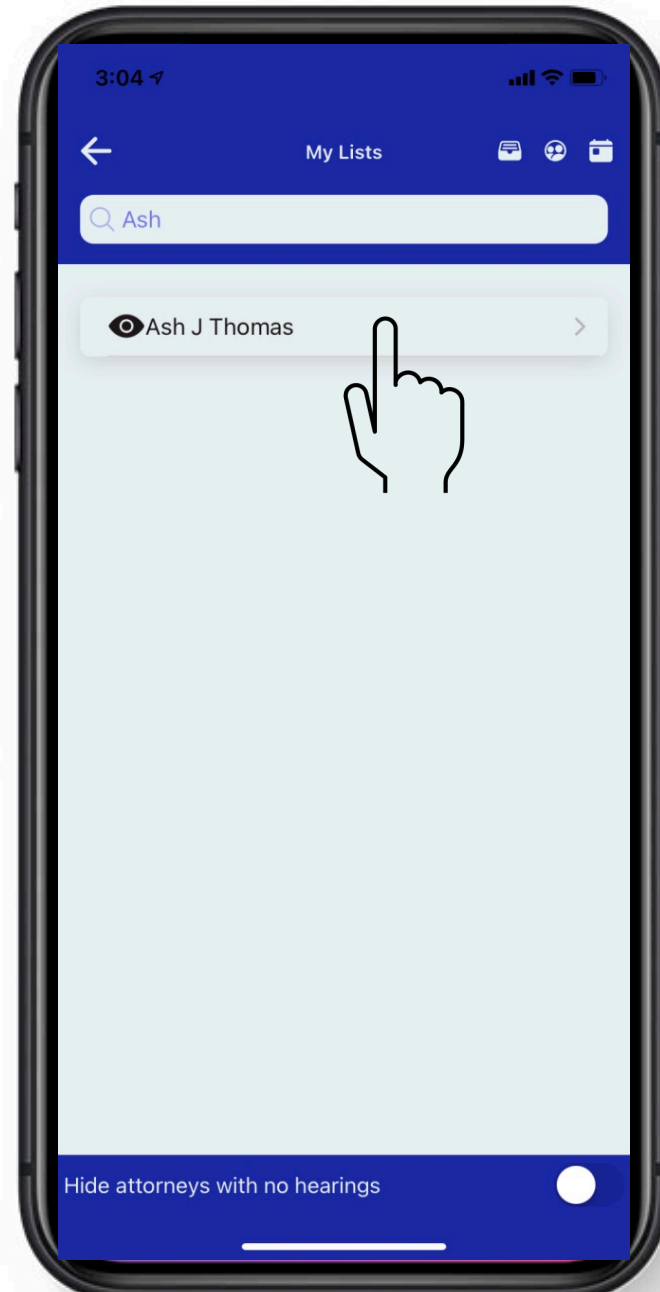
Swipe left with your finger on the selected name.

A green check box will appear beside the selected name.

Tap the green check box to save the name.

You have created a "List".

Tap the "List" name.



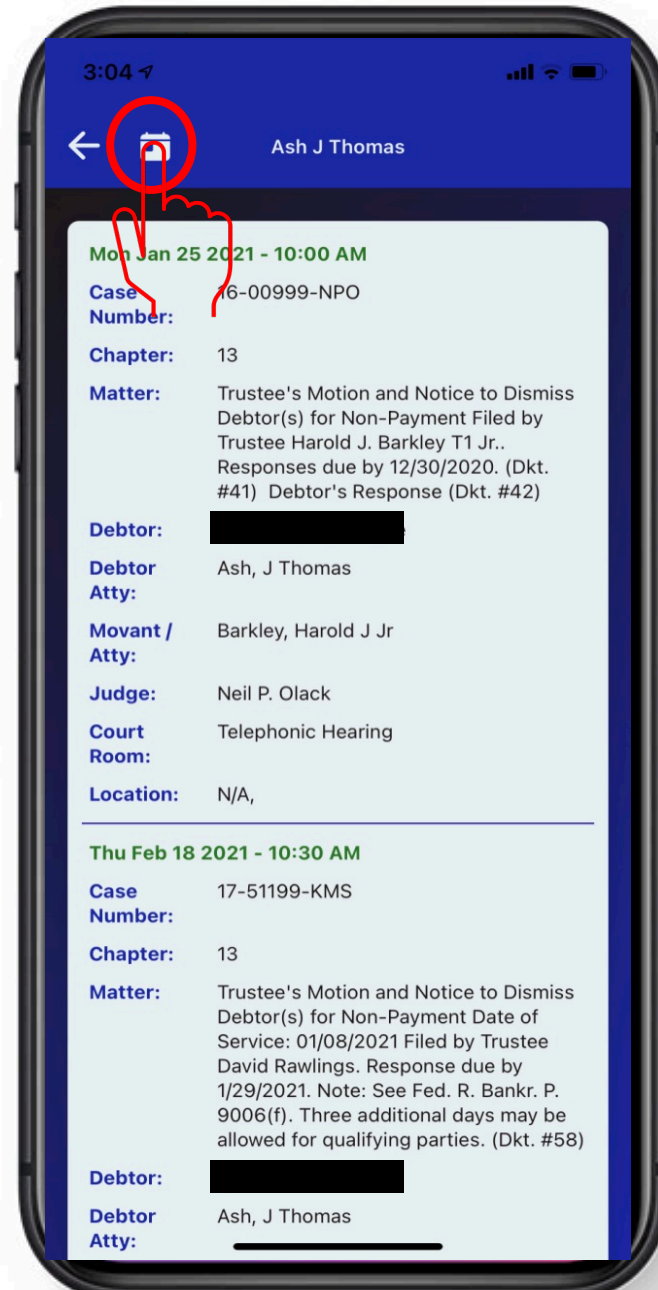
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The attorney's hearing schedule for the next 30 days will appear.

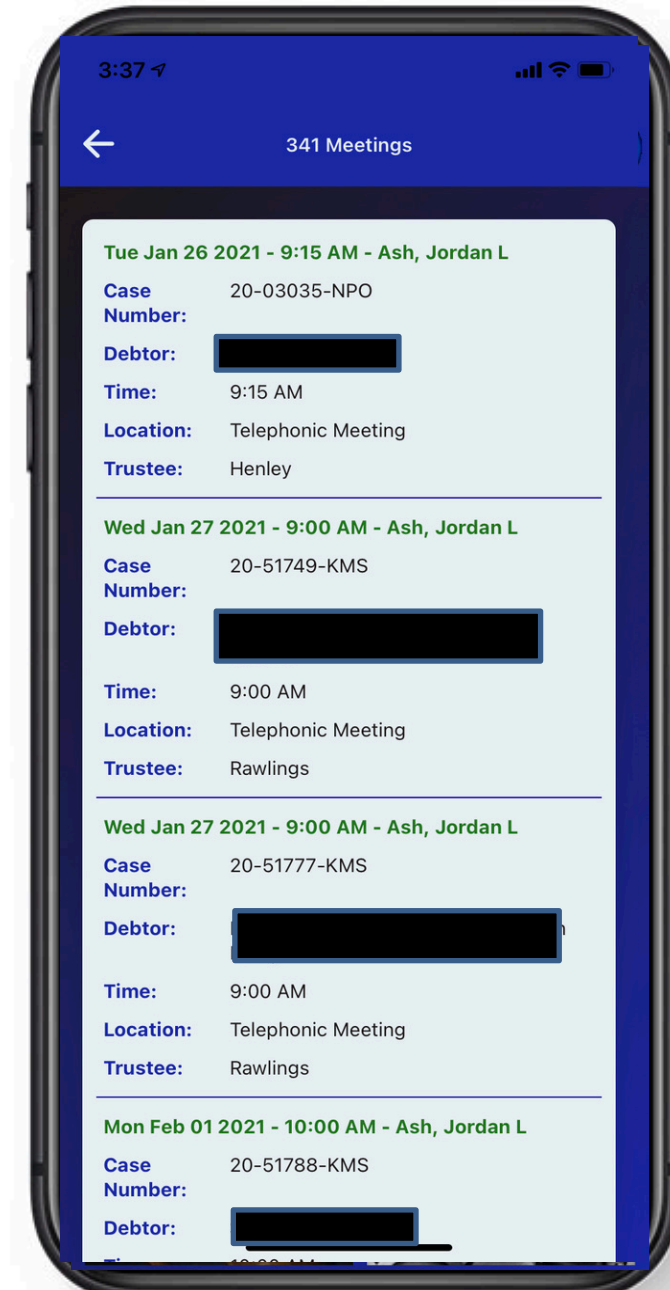
You can scroll down to see all scheduled hearings for the listed attorney.

However, remember that your hearing notices serve as your official notice of hearing date, time, and location.

Tap the small icon on the top left side of the screen to see the 341 meeting schedule for the listed attorney.



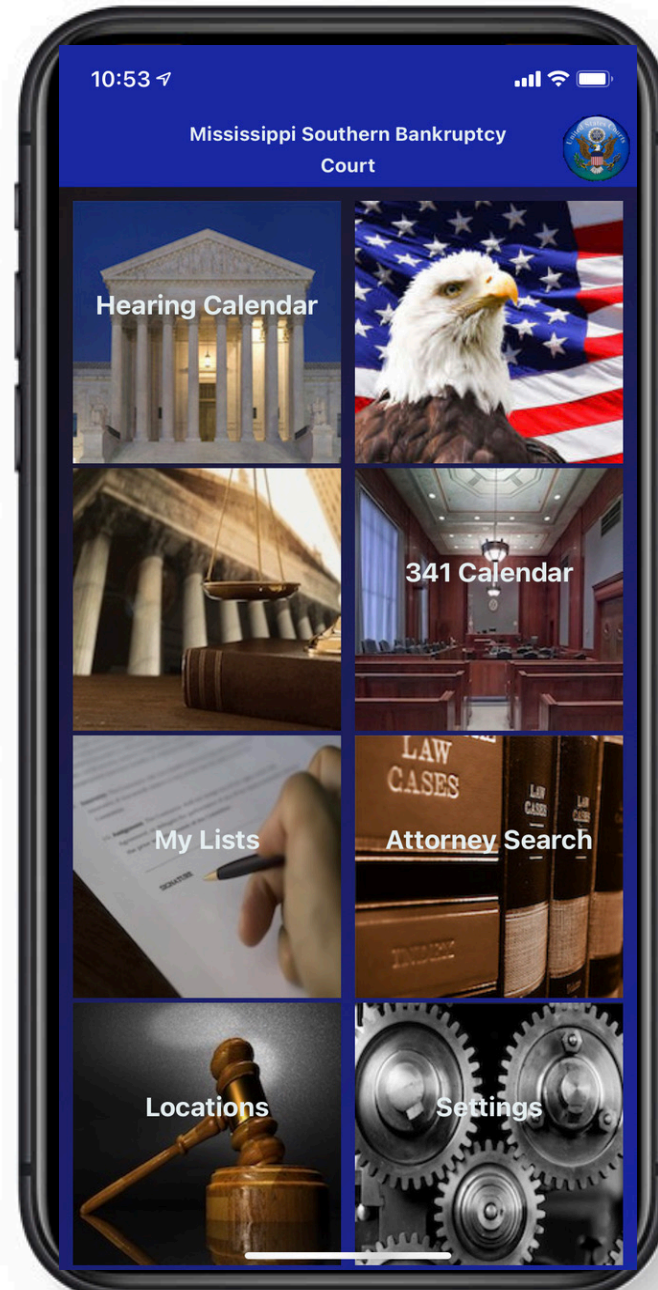
341 Meetings Calendar



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This is a brief tutorial.

You can download a User Guide for ChapMobile from the Court's website.



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