

Court Operations During COVID-19 Outbreak

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Iowa continues to closely monitor the national and local response to the Coronavirus virus (COVID-19) with respect to public health concerns. We will be following guidance provided by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) available at <u>www.cdc.gov</u>, and from the State of Iowa.

At this time NO CHANGES to normal bankruptcy court operations are anticipated. Staff will be available by phone and online to assist you.

Unless the Court informs you otherwise all hearings will be conducted as scheduled. Telephone and video conferencing may be more widely used to accommodate appearances. Counsel should file a motion requesting a continuance if additional precautions or circumstances warrant such action.

Addressing the public health issues of COVID-19 is a fluid endeavor. Our evaluation of the situation will continue as suggested actions and updated guidelines become available.

Further questions can be directed to the Clerk's Office.

Any changes to this information will be updated on the Court's website.