

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA**

General Order 2020-04

**ORDER ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO INTERIM BANKRUPTCY  
RULE 1020 TO IMPLEMENT THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF  
AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT**

THIS MATTER arises due to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), which was enacted into law on March 27, 2020 and made several temporary changes to the Bankruptcy Code in order to provide financial assistance during the coronavirus crisis;

IT APPEARING that the bankruptcy provisions of the CARES Act are of limited duration, but requiring additional amendments to Interim Rule 1020 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure and the Executive Committee acting on an expedited basis on behalf of the Judicial Conference have recommended courts enter an appropriate general order adopting the CARES Act-related amendments to Interim Rule 1020 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure to facilitate uniform implementation of the CARES Act; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2071, Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Rule 9029 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure , the attached amended Rule 1020 of the Federal Rules of the Bankruptcy Procedure is adopted in its entirety without change in this district effective April 21, 2020 and shall remain in effect until further order of this Court.

DATE: April 21, 2020

/s/ Anita L. Shodeen  
Anita L. Shodeen  
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

/s/ Lee M. Jackwig  
Lee M. Jackwig  
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

INTERIM RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE

**Rule 1020. Chapter 11 Reorganization Case for Small Business Debtors or Debtors Under Subchapter V**

(a) DEBTOR DESIGNATION. In a voluntary chapter 11 case, the debtor shall state in the petition whether the debtor is a small business debtor or a debtor as defined in § 1182(1) of the Code and, if the latter, whether the debtor elects to have subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. In an involuntary chapter 11 case, the debtor shall file within 14 days after entry of the order for relief a statement as to whether the debtor is a small business debtor or a debtor as defined in § 1182(1) of the Code and, if the latter, whether the debtor elects to have subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. The status of the case as a small business case or a case under subchapter V of chapter 11 shall be in accordance with the debtor's statement under this subdivision, unless and until the court enters an order finding that the debtor's statement is incorrect.

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(b) OBJECTING TO DESIGNATION. The United States trustee or a party in interest may file an objection to the debtor's statement under subdivision (a) no later than 30 days after the conclusion of the meeting of creditors held under § 341(a) of the Code, or within 30 days after any amendment to the statement, whichever is later.

(c) PROCEDURE FOR OBJECTION OR DETERMINATION. Any objection or request for a determination under this rule shall be governed by Rule 9014 and served on: the debtor; the debtor's attorney; the United States trustee; the trustee; the creditors included on the list filed under Rule 1007(d) or, if a committee has been appointed under § 1102(a)(3), the committee or its authorized agent; and any other entity as the court directs.