UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In re

ASSIGNMENT OF BANKRUPTCY CASES FILED IN THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Second Amended General Order 47
Effective: November 2, 2026

This *Order* sets forth the assignment of bankruptcy cases filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California.[1] The prior version of General Order 47 (effective from August 14, 2026) is hereby superseded and modified by this *Second Amended General Order 47*.

Effective November 2, 2026, it is ordered that:

1) Subject to the exception stated in paragraph 2 of this *Order*, all bankruptcy cases filed and venued in the San Francisco Division or in the Santa Rosa Division shall continue to receive a case number applicable to each Division and be randomly assigned to Judge Hannah L. Blumenstiel, Judge William J. Lafferty or Judge Dennis Montali.

2) Bankruptcy cases filed in the Santa Rosa Division and venued in Del Norte County or Humboldt County, shall continue to receive a Santa Rosa Division case number and be assigned to Judge Lafferty.

3) All bankruptcy cases filed and venued in the Oakland Division shall receive an Oakland Division case number and continue to be randomly assigned to Judge Blumenstiel, Judge Lafferty, Judge Montali or Judge Cara Masako Porter.

4) Chief Judge Stephen L. Johnson is hereby removed from receiving random case assignments in the Northern District.

[1] The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California (the "Northern District") consists of 15 counties subdivided into four geographic divisions designated as San Francisco, Santa Rosa, Oakland and San Jose. B.L.R. 1001-3. Venue is determined as consistent with 28 U.S.C. §1408 and §1410.

5) All bankruptcy cases filed under Chapter 7, 11, 12 or 15 of the Bankruptcy Code[2] and venued in the San Jose Division, shall receive a San Jose Division case number and be assigned to Judge Porter.

6) Subject to the exception stated in paragraph 7 of this *Order*, all bankruptcy cases filed under Chapter 13 of the Bankruptcy Code[3] and venued in the San Jose Division, shall receive a San Jose Division case number and be assigned to Judge Charles Novack.

7) Bankruptcy cases filed under Chapter 13 of the Bankruptcy Code in the San Jose Division and venued in Monterey County or San Benito County (aka "Salinas"), shall receive a San Jose Division case number and be assigned to Judge Blumenstiel.

8) The Clerk of Court shall institute such procedures as may be necessary to effectuate these case assignments.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 30, 2026

Stephen L. Johnson
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

[2] 11 U.S.C. §§ 701-784; 1101-1195; 1201-1208; 1501-1532.
[3] 11 U.S.C. § 1301-1330.