

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE**

**In re:**

**Case Assignment/Reassignment Schedule  
Applicable to the Southern Division**

**No. 2024-02**

**GENERAL ORDER**

In anticipation of Judge Shelley D. Rucker's retirement on April 2, 2024, the court adopts the following schedule for case assignment and reassignment:

1. Any case under chapters 11, 12, or 15 of the Bankruptcy Code filed in the Southern Division of this District on or after **February 26, 2024**, shall be assigned to Judge Nicholas W. Whittenburg.
2. Any case under chapters 7 or 13 of the Bankruptcy Code filed in the Southern Division of this District on or after **March 8, 2024**, shall be assigned to Judge Nicholas W. Whittenburg.
3. Except for cases, contested matters, or adversary proceedings for which Judge Whittenburg may be recused, effective **April 1, 2024**, all cases, contested matters, and adversary proceedings pending in the Southern Division of this District and assigned to Judge Shelley D. Rucker shall be reassigned to Judge Nicholas W. Whittenburg.

ENTERED: February 22, 2024.

*s/ Suzanne H. Bauknight*  
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SUZANNE H. BAUKNIGHT  
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge