

## **PILOT PROGRAM EXTENSION**

The United States District Court for the District of Colorado provides this public notice and opportunity for public comment regarding a pilot program involving bankruptcy appeals. The purpose of the pilot program is to increase administrative efficiency in the processing of bankruptcy appeals by permitting the BAP Clerk's Office to perform clerical and staff attorney functionality, regardless of whether the appeal ultimately proceeds before the BAP or the District Court. BAP clerks will use their specialized expertise in bankruptcy matters to more efficiently manage cases in a uniform manner and eliminate redundancies and delays that occur when district court personnel are also involved in case administration.

The pilot program will begin on January 1, 2024, and conclude on December 31, 2024, unless extended pursuant to D.C.COLO.LCivR 1.1(h)(2) and/or D.C.COLO.LCrR 1.1(h)(2). Successful adoption of the pilot program would require that BAP Local Rules apply to all bankruptcy appeals, including a provision permitting BAP Clerk's Office staff to manage appeals on the District Court's CM/ECF system. There are no requirements necessary to implement or facilitate the pilot program.

***On December 2, 2024, and pursuant to D.C.COLO.LCivR 1.1(h)(2), the Court extended this pilot program for an additional 12 months.***