

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

IN RE:

NORTHWEST TERRITORIAL MINT, LLC
Debtor.

NO. 16-11767

MOTION FOR ORDER
SHORTENING TIME RE: MOTION
FOR AUTHORIZATION TO
WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL FOR ROSS
HANSEN

Alan J. Wenokur, current counsel of record for Ross B. Hansen, moves for an order shortening time so that his motion to withdraw may be considered on this Court's May 6 motion calendar at 9:30 a.m. The basis for this motion is:

1. On April 14, Mr. Hansen requested that I withdraw as his counsel. I filed a motion consistent with General Order 2015-3(b)(2). However, the motion was erroneously noted for an incorrect hearing date.

2. Rather than re-noting a motion, however, I received in the interim a signed stipulation and order from Mr. Hansen for withdrawal. A stipulated motion and order were submitted on an ex parte basis per GO 2015-3(b)(1).

3. The stipulation recited my certification that my client would not authorize me to include his contact information in the motion and order. This Court, however, denied entry of the ex parte motion because that information was not provided, and stated that in the absence of client consent to include such information, the motion to withdraw would need to be noted for hearing. ECF No. 108.

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1 4. As of this writing, I have no authority from Mr. Hansen to include his address, phone
2 number, and email in a public document. I recognize that this requires me to note up the matter.
3 However, if time is not shortened, the next available motion calendar is May 20, 2016. This would
4 mean I would remain counsel of record for nearly another month. Mr. Hansen, meanwhile, has directed
5 me to stop providing services for him. There is no agreement for further compensation and I have no
6 funds belonging to him. Issues may arise where he requires personal representation, yet he does not
7 want me to provide that to him. It is in the interests of both attorney and client that the matter be heard
8 as soon as possible.

9 5. Per GO 2015-3(d), the only person I am required to serve with the motion to withdraw is my
10 client. Since Mr. Hansen has already stipulated to my withdrawal, he should not be prejudiced in any
11 manner by the shortening of time.

12 DATED April 25, 2016.

13 */s/ Alan J. Wenokur*

14 Alan J. Wenokur, WSBA # 13679