## UNCLAIMED FUNDS (NON-FOREIGN CLAIMANTS)

Applicable Rules and Procedures for the Middle District of Tennessee Bankruptcy Court

Updated April 2024

- Prepare your Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds (Form 1340)
- Prepare your Supporting Documentation for your Motion
- Serve your Motion and Supporting Documentation on the interested entities
- File your Motion and Certificate of Service
- Fill out form AO 213P or W-9 (as applicable) and email to the Court with any unredacted Proof of Identity applicable
- The Court will issue an Order Establishing Procedures Regarding Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds which will set applicable deadlines
- If there are no objections and the motion and all required documents are satisfactorily completed, the Court may grant the Motion without a hearing.
- The Court will pay the Claim pursuant to the information on Form AO 213P or W-9

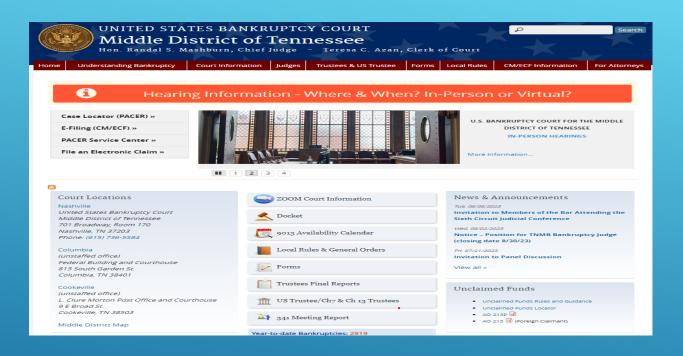
## PROCESS OVERVIEW

#### **3011-1** UNCLAIMED FUNDS

(a) Motions to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds and Procedures. The form motion to withdraw unclaimed funds shall be in the format located on the court's website at www.tnmb.uscourts.gov. Procedures regarding such motions are found at www.tnmb.uscourts.gov/unclaimed-funds-rules-and-guidance.

(b) Service of the Motion. The form Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds (Form 1340) shall be served on the debtor, the debtor's attorney, the trustee, the United States trustee, the United States attorney, and the creditor or payee for whom the funds were deposited. A certificate of service must accompany the Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds and comply with LBR 9013-3(b).

# APPLICABLE LOCAL RULE: LR 3011-1



### VISIT THE COURT'S WEBSITE https://www.tnmb.uscourts.gov



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United States Bankruptcy Court Middle District of Tennessee 701 Broadway, Room 170 Nashville, TN 37203 Phone: (615) 736-5584

#### Columbia

(unstaffed office) Federal Building and Courthouse 815 South Garden St. Columbia, TN 38401

#### Cookeville

(unstaffed office) L. Clure Morton Post Office and Courthouse 9 E Broad St. Cookeville, TN 38503

#### Middle District Map

Other Resources

- Practitioners Handbook
- Debtor Electronic Bankruptcy Noticing (DeBN)
- Privately Funded Seminars Disclosure Judicial Conduct and Disability

Other Court Links

Register for Virtual Link	Thu, 11/30/2023 Upcoming December 1st Rule and Form Changes.
C Docket	Tue, 11/28/2023 Mandatory Electronic Bankruptcy Noticing Threshold Decrease (Information)
9013 Availability Calendar	Mon, 10/30/2023 Holiday Order Announcement - Administrative Order 23-4
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During the course of a bankruptcy case or proceeding, bankruptcy court notices are mailed by the Bankruptcy Noticing Center (BNC) on behalf of the court. The BNC, which is operated by a private contractor, provides notice production and mailing

You will find the forms and guidance for Middle District of Tennessee Unclaimed Funds here.

Rules and Forms

#### • LBR 3011-1 🗹

- Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds December 1st, 2023
- Form B1340 Certificate of Service Effective December 1, 202
- AO Form 213P (Vendor Information/TIN Certification)
- AO 213P(Vendor Information/TIN Certification)
- W-9 (accessible by searching on the IRS website at: https://www.irs.gov (link is external)@)
- W-8 (accessible by searching on the IRS website at: https://www.irs.gov (link is external)@)
- AO 215 d (Foreign Claimant)

### AVAILABLE AT THE COURT'S WEBSITE: <u>HTTPS://WWW.TNMB.USCOURTS.GOV/UNC</u> <u>LAIMED-FUNDS-RULES-AND-GUIDANCE</u>

Links to applicable forms are located at the bottom of that webpage

- Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds
- Any party who seeks to withdraw unclaimed funds must file a Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds in substantial conformance with the court's standard application forms (BForm 1340) and serve a copy of the motion on the parties listed in Local Bankruptcy Rule (LBR) 3011-1. For purposes of this procedure, the "Movant" is the party filing the motion, and the "Claimant" is the party entitled to the unclaimed funds. The Movant and Claimant may be the same.
- The ECF Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds may be found under > Bankruptcy Events > Motions > Other Motions/Applications > Withdraw Unclaimed Funds – BK Motion.

UNCLAIMED FUNDS RULES AND GUIDANCE

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ebtor 2				
Spouse, if filing) First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	-	
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2. Claimant Information				
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The Claimant (Success	or Claimant) and is er	ntitled to the unclaimed fun	ds by transfer, assi	gnment, purchase, merger, Record and all previous owner(s)
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e Owner of Record is the original				

	a Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds and is providing ed on the court's website at www.tnmb.uscourts.gov.
Notice to United States Attorney	
Middle Distr 719 Church S	nentation to the United States Attomey, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. ited States Attorney ict of Tennessee Tirret, Suite 3300 IN 37203-6940
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My commission expires:	My commission expires:

Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds

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THE MOTION TO WITHDRAW UNCLAIMED FUNDS IS A STANDARDIZED MOTION. YOU MUST USE FORM 1340 TO HAVE YOUR MOTION CONSIDERED BY THE COURT.

Form 1340

Supporting Documentation

## STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS

Debtor 1			
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Debtor 2			
(Spouse, if filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
United States B	ankruptcy Cou	rt for the: Middle Dist	rict of Tennessee

Form 1340	(12/23)	Mod	fied)
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#### MOTION TO WITHDRAW UNCLAIMED FUNDS

#### 1. Claim Information

For the benefit of the Claimant(s)<sup>2</sup> named below, application is made for the withdrawal of unclaimed funds on deposit with the court. I have no knowledge that any other party may be entitled to these funds, and I am not aware of any dispute regarding these funds. I have fully complied with the requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 2042 and the instructions for Filing Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds located at www.tmmb.uscourts.gov.

Note: If there are joint Claimants, complete the fields below for both Claimants.	
Amount:	
Claimant's Name:	
Claimant's Current Mailing Address, Telephone Number, and Email Address:	

Fill out the applicable Debtor(s) name(s) and Case Number for the case related to the funds you are trying to claim.

- Verify the accuracy of the Claim Information statement that will be signed at the end of the form.
- Fill out the Amount of the Funds claimed. This should match the Court's records.
- Fill out the Claimant's Name
  - The Claimant is the party who the funds will be made payable to. The Claimant and the Movant are often the same.
- Fill out the Contact information for the Claimant.

2.	Claimant	Information

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Movant<sup>2</sup> represents that Claimant is entitled to receive the unclaimed funds because (check the statements that apply):

The Claimant is the Owner of Record<sup>3</sup> entitled to the unclaimed funds appearing on the records of the court.

The Claimant (Successor Claimant) and is entitled to the unclaimed funds by transfer, assignment, purchase, merger, acquisition, or succession or by other means, and below are the name(s) of the Owner of Record and all previous owner(s) of the claim:

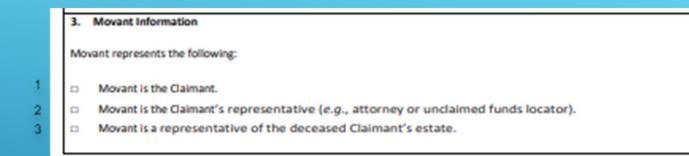
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If the Claimant is a Successor Claimant, Movant has sent a copy of the motion to the Owner of Record and all other previous owner(s) of the claim at their current address or Movant has enclosed a statement explaining why Movant was not able to do so or an explanation of why doing so is not necessary.

LET THE COURT KNOW WHY THE CLAIMANT IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE THE MONEY : 1. CHECK IF THE CLAIMANT IS THE OWNER OF RECORD, IN OTHER WORDS, THEY ARE THE ORIGINAL ENTITY WHOM THE FUNDS WERE PAYABLE TO ORIGINALLY

2. CHECK IF THE CLAIMANT IS A DIFFERENT ENTITY FROM THE ORIGINAL CLAIMANT (OWNER OF RECORD) AND THEY HAVE ACQUIRED THE RIGHT TO PAYMENT THROUGH LEGAL MEANS

3. IF YOU CHECKED THE 2<sup>ND</sup> BOX YOU MUST CERTIFY YOU HAVE SENT A COPY OF THIS MOTION TO ALL PREVIOUS OWNERS/CLAIMANTS OR EXPLAIN WHY THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE OR NECESSARY DEPENDING ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES. BE SPECIFIC AS THE COURT MUST BE CONVINCED YOU ARE THE TRUE OWNER OF THE FUNDS TO BE PAID.



The Movant is the party filing the motion with the Court. You may be filing this on your own behalf for payment. If you are an attorney filing this motion on behalf of a client, you are the Movant and your client is the Claimant.

Select the best option to describe your situation with regard to the funds

- 1. You are the <u>original</u> payee/owner of the funds and you are filing this on your own behalf
- 2. You do not own the funds and are filing the motion on behalf of the owner
- 3. The owner/payee of the funds is deceased and you represent their estate's interest

#### 4. Supporting Documentation

 Movant has read the court's instructions for filing a Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds and is providing the required supporting documentation as indicated on the court's website at www.tnmb.uscourts.gov.

Check the box to certify that the Movant has read the Supporting Documentation section on the Clerk's Website.

https://www.tnmb.uscourts.gov/unclaimed-funds-rules-and-guidance

There will be more details on supporting documentation on later slides.

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5.			Attorney

 Movant has sent a copy of this motion and supporting documentation to the United States Attorney, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2042, at the following address:

> Office of the United States Attorney Middle District of Tennessee 719 Church Street, Suite 3300 Nashville, TN 37203-6940

You must mail a copy of your motion to the Unites States Attorney at the address listed on the form to provide them with adequate notice of your motion. Check the box to certify you have done so as the Movant.

You should also list the US Attorney on your certificate of service as well.

6. Movant Declaration	6. Co-Movant Declaration (if applicable)
Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury	Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury
under the laws of the United States of America that the	under the laws of the United States of America that the
foregoing is true and correct and any fraud in the motion or	foregoing is true and correct and any fraud in the motion or
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MAKE SURE NOT TO SIGN/DATE UNLESS YOU ARE SIGNING IN THE PRESENCE OF THE NOTARY WHO WILL BE NOTARIZING YOUR SIGNATURE!

The Movant should then fill out their Name, Address, Telephone Number, and E-mail address. They should then Sign and Date <u>IN THE PRESENCE OF A</u> <u>NOTARY</u> to declare that the form has been filled out truthfully and accurately.

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7. Notarization	7. Notarization
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(SEAL) Notary Public	(SEAL) Notary Public
My commission expires:	My commission expires:

Your Notary will fill out this section after watching the Movant sign the Form 1340

### YOUR MOTION IS PREPARED!

WHAT'S NEXT?

### The Motion and supporting documentation must be served on:

- ► The Debtor(s) in the case
- The Debtor(s) Attorney in the case
- ► The Trustee in the case
- ► The United States Trustee
- The United States Attorney
- The Creditor or Payee to whom the unclaimed funds were initially payable to at the time of their deposit

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In an effort to help parties who may not be able to affordably obtain help from an attorney to complete this process, the Court has created a fillable PDF form for the certificate of service.

### FILLABLE PDF CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Rules and Forms

- LBR 3011-1 🗟
- Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds December 1st, 2023
- Form B1340 Certificate of Service Effective December 1, 2023
- AO Form 213P (Vendor Information/TIN Certification)
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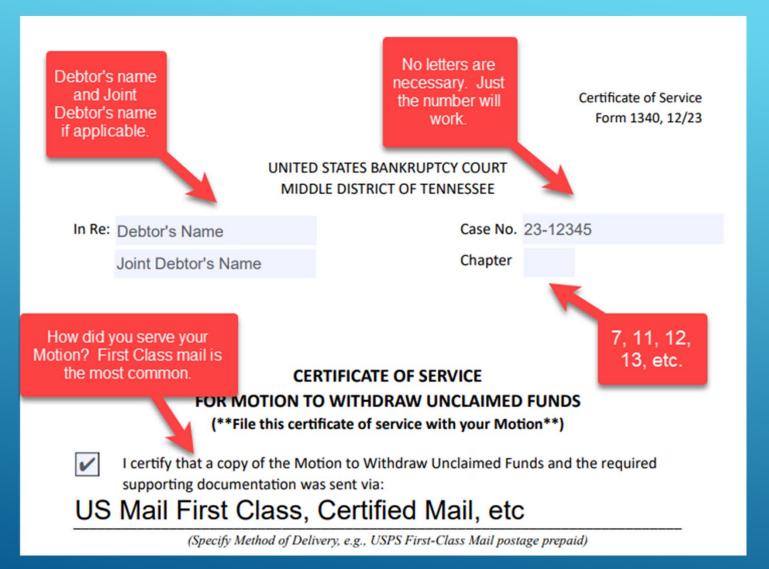
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to all of the following:  Office of the United States Atto Middle District of Tennessee 719 Church Street, Suite 3300	U.S. Customs House 701 Broadway, Room 318

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### FORM B1340 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE FOR MOTION TO WITHDRAW UNCLAIMED FUNDS

Form B1340's Certificate of Service provides a fillable PDF to help you make sure you will be able to serve your motion on the correct entities.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE



You can check the boxes to certify you have served your motion and supporting documents (the US Attorney and US Trustee should ALWAYS be served with a Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds.

Office of the United States Attorney Middle District of Tennessee 719 Church Street, Suite 3300 Nashville, TN 37203-6940	U.S. Trustee, Region 8 U.S. Customs House 701 Broadway, Room 318 Nashville, TN 37203
Debtor's Attorney at	Debtor(s) at
Creditor/Payee of the Funds Deposited at	
	These areas may or may not need to be completed, depending on the underlying case. If the Debtor(s) in the bankruptcy case had an attorney, you will need to serve them as well as the Debtor(s). If you are a successor claimant for a case creditor, you must serve the original creditor/payee of the

funds.

If you are a successor claimant, you must also compete this section. If you are the owner of record (original payee) you don't have to complete this step and can skip to signing below

I certify that a copy of the Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds was sent via

(Specify Method of Delivery, e.g., USPS First-Class Mail postage prepaid)

#### to Previous Owner(s) of Claim (if applicable):

[If the Claimant is a Successor Claimant, enter name and current address for each previous owner served or provide statement with your application addressing why service is not possible. This is not applicable if you are the Owner of Record]

If you are a successor payee, state how you served your motion and provide the addresses you used for ALL previous owners of the funds.

ated:	Signature
	Print Name:
Provide your name, address, phone number, and email.	Address:
You can then print the form and sign and date, or sign and date electronically.	Phone:

#### 9013-3 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE - MOTIONS

(a) In General. When the United States Code, Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure or these Local Rules require a party to provide notice or to serve papers, the responsible party shall file a certificate of service within 3 business days after giving notice or making service.

(b) Contents of Certificate. The certificate shall state the manner in which notice or service was effected and shall include the names and addresses of all parties served. A copy of the notice or papers served shall be attached to the certificate. For Chapter 12 and 13 cases, the certificate shall also include the total number of parties served.

Certificate of service

LOCAL RULE REGARDING CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

- Remember, this is not a LR 9013 Motion
- Find your event by going to Bankruptcy > Motions > Other Motions/Applications > Withdraw Unclaimed Funds – BK Motion
- You can also use the search feature to locate the event by searching for "unclaimed funds" in CM/ECF
- DO NOT USE the 9013 event "Release Funds from Court Registry." Unclaimed Funds are NOT deposited into the Court's Registry.

# ECF EVENT SELECTION

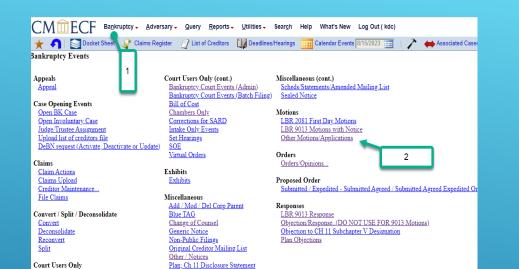
## HOW DO I FILE THIS WITH THE COURT?

 Non-attorney Individuals who do not conduct regular business with the court may file their motions by mail or by hand delivering to the Intake counter at

> United States Bankruptcy Court Middle District of Tennessee 701 Broadway, Room 170 Nashville, TN 37203

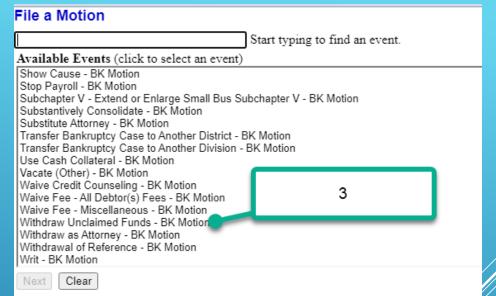
They are also able to file using the ECF electronic filing system that attorneys and creditors use. You must have a registered ECF filing account to file documents electronically. The following will show how to file the motion through the ECF program.

The following assumes you are familiar with electronic filing.



Appeals

Bankruptcy Clerk's Inquries Bankruptcy Court Events



# CLICK 1, CLICK 2, CLICK 3

### Do file on the Docket

- Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds (Form 1340)
- Certificate of Service for the Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds
- Most Supporting Documents regarding proof of ownership of the unclaimed funds
- Redacted proof of ID for Claimants

### Don't file on the Docket

Send to the Court directly

- Form AO 213P
- Unredacted proof of ID for Claimants (Driver's licenses, passports, or anything with a full Social Security Number)
- Submitted Order for entry, the Court will issue its own Order

Send these in PDF format to : <u>tnmbml\_financial@tnmb.uscourts.gov</u>

# WHAT GETS FILED ON THE DOCKET?

- A Claimant who is a U.S. Person\* must use either the AO 213P (available on the Clerk's website) or W-9 certification form (accessible by searching on the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at: <u>https://www.irs.gov/ (link is external)(link is external)</u>). If a Claimant wants payment via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), then the AO 213P form must be used.
  - Business Entity/Corporate Claimants: If the Claimant is a corporation, partnership or other business entity, the AO 213P Form must provide the name and title of the corporate officer, general partner or business representative along with the address, telephone number, email address and taxpayer identification number
  - Individuals: If the Claimant is an individual, the AO 213P Form must provide the name of the claimant, address, telephone number, email address and taxpayer identification number (social security number)

\*A "U.S. person" includes: an individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien; a partnership, corporation, company or association created or organized in the U.S. or under the laws of the U.S.; an estate (other than a foreign estate); or a domestic trust (as defined in 26 C.F.R. 301.7701-7).

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- The AO 213P Form contains a Page 2 with detailed instructions for completing the form. Remember this form is for the Claimant's information (the party who the funds will be made payable to).
- The AO 213P must contain an <u>actual signed</u>, ink signature signed by a living human being. No electronic signatures or stamped signatures can be accepted on this form.
- Do not file the Form AO 213P with your Motion (it may contain sensitive information, such as the Claimant's Social Security Number. You will send this form directly to the Court.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Additional supporting documentation varies depending on the nature of the Owner of Record.
- The goal of the supporting documentation is to provide all the parties and the Court a "chain of ownership" demonstrating that the Claimant is the undisputed owner/payee of the unclaimed funds at issue.
- The examples of supporting documentation that follow should be used as a guide for the MINIMUM amount of information provided.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Claimants are sometimes frustrated that the Court or Clerk can not always provide guidance on what exactly should be contained in the supporting documentation, apart from the minimum guidance provided on the Court's website. Remember, the Court/Clerk are unable to provide legal advice to parties and determining what information should or should not be provided in the supporting documentation has been held by some Courts to be a strategic legal decision. Due to the nature of unclaimed funds assignments, it would be impossible to make an all-encompassing guide.
- The following slides demonstrate examples of minimum requirements. You may need to provide additional information as determined by the specifics of the case and your fact scenario.

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

For an Individual (non-business/corporate entity) Claimant should provide

- 1. Proof of identity of the Owner of Record (e.g., unredacted copy of driver's license, other state-issued identification card, or U.S. passport that includes current address); and
- 2. A notarized signature of the Owner of Record (incorporated in the Form 1340).
- If the Owner of Record's name has changed since the funds have been deposited with the court, then proof of the name change must be provided.
- Copies of Proof of Identity for the Claimant that are filed on the docket should always be redacted. Unredacted copies should be sent to the Clerk at : <u>tnmbml\_financial@tnmb.uscourts.gov</u>

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION INDIVIDUAL CLAIMANT WHO IS THE ORIGINAL OWNER/PAYEE For a Business or Government Entity original owner:

- 1. Motion must be signed by an authorized representative for and on behalf of the business or government entity;
- 2. A notarized statement of the signing representative's authority; and
- 3. Proof of identity of the signing representative e.g., unredacted copy of driver's license, other state-issued identification card, or U.S. passport that includes current address. <u>Unredacted</u> copies should be sent to the Clerk at : <u>tnmbml\_financial@tnmb.uscourts.gov</u>

If the Owner of Record's name has changed since the funds have been deposited with the court, then proof of the name change must be provided.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION BUSINESS OR GOVERNMENT ENTITY WHO IS THE ORIGINAL OWNER/PAYEE

#### Successor Claimants

Supporting Documentation is critical for successor Claimants, as a successor Claimants may be entitled to the unclaimed funds as a result of assignment, purchase, merger, acquisition, succession or by other means.

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION SUCCESSOR CLAIMANTS

- Successor Claimant Individual
- Proof of identity of the successor Claimant (e.g., unredacted copy of driver's license, other state-issued identification card, or U.S. passport that includes current address) Unredacted copies should be sent to the Clerk at : <u>inmbml\_financial@tnmb.uscourts.gov</u>;
- 2. A notarized signature of the successor Claimant (incorporated in Form 1340); and
- 3. Documentation sufficient to establish chain of ownership or the transfer of claim from the original Owner of Record.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION SUCCESSOR CLAIMANTS: INDIVIDUALS

- Successor Claimant Business or Government Entity
- 1. Motion must be signed by an authorized representative for and on behalf of the successor entity;
- 2. A notarized statement of the signing representative's authority;
- 3. A notarized power of attorney signed by an authorized representative of the successor entity;
- Proof of identity of the signing representative (e.g., unredacted copy of driver's license, other state-issued identification card, or U.S. passport that includes current address) Unredacted copies should be sent to the Clerk at : <u>tnmbml\_financial@tnmb\_uscourts.gov</u>; and
- 5. Documentation sufficient to establish chain of ownership or the transfer of claim from the original Owner of Record (e.g., documentation sufficient to establish the claimant's entitlement to the unclaimed funds).

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION SUCCESSOR CLAIMANTS: BUSINESS OR GOVERNMENT ENTITY

- Deceased Claimant's Estate
- Proof of identity of the estate representative (e.g., unredacted copy of driver's license, other state-issued identification card, or U.S. passport that includes current address) Unredacted copies should be sent to the Clerk at : the the copies should be sent to the clerk at :
- 2. Certified copies of probate documents or other documents authorizing the representative to act on behalf of the decedent or decedent's estate in accordance with applicable state law (e.g., small estate affidavit); and
- 3. Documentation sufficient to establish the deceased Claimant's identity and entitlement to the funds.
- Remember to redact any sensitive Personally Identifiable Information from documents you file on the docket. Send unredacted copies to the Clerk at: tmbml\_financial@tmb.uscourts.gov

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION SUCCESSOR CLAIMANTS: DECEASED CLAIMANT'S ESTATE

- If the Movant is Claimant's attorney or other representative, the following <u>ADDITIONAL</u> documentation is required:
- Proof of identity of the representative (e.g., <u>unredacted</u> copy of driver's license, other state-issued identification card, or U.S. passport that includes current address sent to the Clerk : <u>inmbml\_financial@tnmb\_uscourts.gov</u>
- 2. A notarized power of attorney signed by the Claimant (or Claimant's authorized representative) on whose behalf the representative is acting; (notarized copy of the power of attorney is not acceptable) and
- 3. Documentation sufficient to establish the Claimant's identity and entitlement to the funds, as set forth above.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION SUCCESSOR CLAIMANTS: IF MOVANT IS NOT THE CLAIMANT

- Remember, the AO 213P and documents containing sensitive Personally Identifiable Information go directly to the Court for review.
- ► <u>Send to:</u>

▶ tnmbml\_financial@tnmb.uscourts.gov

# SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

# WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Upon reviewing a properly filed Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds and the supporting documentation, the Court will enter its own Order Establishing Procedures. This Order will set deadlines for the interested parties to object. If no objections are filed the Motion will often be granted without the need for a hearing.
- Sometimes the Court will address concerns with documentation in the Order Establishing Procedures that the Movant/Claimant will need to address before the Motion can be granted.
- Sometimes the Court will Deny the Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed funds instead of entering a Order Establishing Procedures. This is often done when the Motion does not comply with the rules or lacks supporting documentation.

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES REGARDING MOTION TO WITHDRAW UNCLAIMED FUNDS After a Motion to Withdraw Unclaimed Funds is granted and the Order has become final, the Clerk will process the forms to have the U.S. Treasury pay the funds to the Claimant by check or electronic funds transfer, depending on what forms were provided. The timeframe for payment varies based upon workflow at the U.S. Treasury.

#### PAYMENT OF FUNDS