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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

IN RE: ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 22-03

SHOW CAUSE PROCEDURE FOR JUDGE JESSICA E. PRICE SMITH  
DEBTOR NON-COMPLIANCE IN  
CHAPTER 7 PROCEEDINGS

The purpose of this Administrative Order is to formalize the procedure Chapter 7 Trustees shall follow when a Debtor fails to comply with Trustee requests, i.e., turnover of estate property or compliance with requests for information, etc. Prior to filing an adversary proceeding to deny or revoke a Debtor's discharge, a Trustee must file a motion for an order to show cause in the main bankruptcy case. This motion should clearly explain to the Court how the Debtor has failed to comply with a prior Court Order. All show cause motions will be set for hearing. If the compliance issue is not resolved during the contempt process, the Trustee may then file an adversary proceeding seeking to deny or revoke the Debtor's discharge. This contempt process has been the informal procedure in this Court for several years, but in order to ensure universal use of this process, this Administrative Order is in effect immediately.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

  
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JESSICA PRICE SMITH  
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE