

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT
OF OKLAHOMA

In re Harvey Blake Haddock

In re Haddock · No. 22-10503-T · Decided May 11, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma sustains Steven Scattini’s objection to the chapter 7 trustee’s final report and grants his motion to extend the time to file a proof of claim. The court concludes that notice of the claims bar date was insufficient under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3002(c)(7), because the creditor was listed in care of an attorney who did not represent him in the bankruptcy matter. The court treats Scattini’s claims as timely filed but makes no determination regarding their allowance or disallowance.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Paul R. Thomas
JURISDICTION	United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
DECIDED	May 11, 2026
DOCKET	22-10503-T
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The court considered a creditor's objection to the chapter 7 trustee's final report and motion under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3002(c)(7) to extend the time to file a proof of claim. The matter was submitted on written filings and affidavits after a hearing at which the parties agreed there were no disputed factual issues.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	The court applied the legal standards governing Rule 3002(c)(7), including whether notice was insufficient under the circumstances to give the creditor a reasonable time to file a proof of claim. The court treated the matter as presenting an undisputed legal issue and exercised its discretion under the rule.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unknown; no reporter citation or precedential designation appears in the source.

TOPICS

PRACTICE AREAS

Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy procedure

Proofs of claim

Due process and notice

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether notice of the chapter 7 claims bar date was insufficient under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3002(c)(7) to give Scattini a reasonable time to file a proof of claim.
2. Whether the court could treat Scattini's late-filed proofs of claim as timely under Rule 3002(c)(7).
3. Whether the excusable-neglect standard under Rule 9006(b)(1) applied to the late filing of proofs of claim in a chapter 7 case.

HOLDINGS

1. Notice was insufficient under the circumstances to give Scattini a reasonable time to file a proof of claim because the bar-date notice was sent to an attorney who did not represent him in the bankruptcy case, and Scattini was not otherwise informed of the need to file a claim.
2. The court extended the deadline under Rule 3002(c)(7) and treated Scattini's Claim Nos. 6-1 and 7-1 as timely filed.
3. The excusable-neglect standard under Rule 9006(b)(1) does not apply to late-filed proofs of claim in a chapter 7 case; Rule 3002(c)'s provisions are the exclusive means for extending the chapter 7 claims bar date.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“The Court finds Mr. Scattini did not receive adequate notice of the Claims Bar Date to allow him a meaningful opportunity to file a timely claim.” (Conclusions of Law)

“Rule 3002(c)’s seven subdivisions provide the exclusive means to extend the claims bar date in Chapter 7 cases.” (Conclusions of Law)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Scattini was listed as an unsecured creditor, but the debtor's schedules listed him in care of attorney Douglas M. Schumacher rather than at Scattini's own address. Schumacher received the initial no-asset notice but did not represent Scattini in the bankruptcy case and did not recall receiving the later notice establishing the claims bar date. Although Scattini communicated with the trustee about the bankruptcy case and possible assets, the record did not show that he was informed of the claims bar date or the need to file a proof of claim. Scattini filed his claims after the bar date, and the trustee treated them as tardily filed.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Harvey Blake Haddock filed a voluntary chapter 7 petition in 2022. After the trustee later determined that assets were available for distribution, a claims bar date was established, but creditor Steven Scattini filed proofs of

claim after that date. The trustee's final report treated the claims as tardily filed. The court sustained Scattini's objection, denied approval of the final report, and granted the motion to extend the claims deadline.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 339 U.S. 306, 314-15 (1950)
- In re JC Farms, LLC, No. 23-10278-357, 2024 WL 3352120, at *4, *6 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. July 9, 2024)
- In re Aguilar, 668 B.R. 512, 514 (Bankr. S.D. Fla. 2025)
- In re Somerville, 605 B.R. 700, 707 n.10 (Bankr. D. Md. 2019)
- In re Mazik, 592 B.R. 812, 818 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 2018)
- In re Taylor, No. 22-12688, 2026 WL 467353, at *2-3 (Bankr. S.D. Ala. Feb. 18, 2026)
- In re Barnes, 326 B.R. 832, 838 (Bankr. M.D. Ala. 2005)
- Pioneer Investment Services Co. v. Brunswick Associates Ltd. Partnership, 507 U.S. 380, 382, 389 (1993)
- In re Lambert, No. 23-40161, 2024 WL 3713138, at *2-3 (Bankr. D. Idaho Aug. 7, 2024)

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