Due to the ongoing lapse in appropriations, as of Monday, October 20, 2025, the federal judiciary is authorized only to engage in "excepted" activities -- that is, activities that (a) are necessary to the exercise of the judiciary's constitutional functions; (b) address emergency circumstances; or (c) are otherwise authorized by law.

This Court has determined that all activities related to the resolution of cases are "excepted." Thus, during the shutdown, the Bankruptcy Court will continue accepting and docketing new cases, conducting hearings, and reviewing and processing motions, orders, and other filings. All staff necessary to support these and other excepted activities will be required to work during the shutdown. Staff members who are not needed for excepted functions will be furloughed. No staff will be paid until funding is restored to the federal judiciary.

Questions about court operations during the shutdown may be sent to DCDml OperationalStatus@dcd.uscourts.gov.

The Court recognizes the significant hardship this shutdown imposes upon its staff and is grateful for their commitment to maintaining the Court's core functions during this time.