## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **Guidelines for Complaints to Value Real Property to Determine Extent of Lien**

All complaints to value real property to determine the extent of a creditor's lien should include the following information/documentation:

- Petition Date
- Identification of the Defendant
- Description of the real property: at a minimum the street address of the real property, but preferably both the street address and the legal description, and the county where the property is located.
- Identification of all deeds of trust affecting the real property, including the following information for each:
  - name of the current holder of the deed of trust;
  - name(s) of any previous holders;
  - the book and page where such deed of trust was recorded;
  - the date when such deed of trust was recorded;
  - the county where such deed of trust was recorded;
  - the alleged priority of such deed of trust; and
  - the alleged amount of the obligation secured by the deed of trust <u>as of the petition date</u>.

Each deed of trust should be described in a separate paragraph in the complaint, and a copy of each deed of trust affecting the real property should be attached as an exhibit to the complaint.

- Identification of any subordination agreement or intercreditor agreement affecting the priority of liens on the real property, including the following information for each:
  - names of the parties;
  - the book and page where such agreement was recorded;
  - the date when such agreement was recorded;
  - the county where such agreement was recorded; and
  - the alleged effect of such agreement on the priority of the deeds of trust affecting the property.

A copy of any subordination agreements/intercreditor agreements affecting the priority of liens on the real property should be attached as exhibits to the complaint.

- The value of the real property <u>as of the petition date</u>.
- The complaint must be verified by the plaintiff(s).