

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JASON OMAR GONZALEZ et al.,

Defendants.

No. 18-CV-2025-LRR


**ORDER**

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The matter before the court is the United States of America's ("the government") "Notice of Defendant[s] Bankruptcy" ("Notice") (docket no. 9), which it filed on May 10, 2018. According to the Notice, Defendants Jason Omar Gonzalez and Jennifer Marie Sandhagen "have filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Iowa, case number 18-00547." Notice at 1. When a debtor files a petition for bankruptcy, an automatic stay bars the "continuation . . . of a judicial . . . action or proceeding against the debtor that was . . . commenced before the commencement of the [bankruptcy case.]" 11 U.S.C. § 362(a)(1). The automatic stay remains in place until the bankruptcy case is closed or dismissed, or until the bankruptcy court grants or denies a discharge. *See id.* § 362(c)(2). The Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to close this case administratively, subject to being reopened upon the conclusion of the bankruptcy proceedings. The parties are **DIRECTED** to notify the court if, and when, the case needs to be reopened.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**DATED** this 11th day of May, 2018.

  
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LINDA R. READE, JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA