

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

In re Hossam Mohamed,

Debtor.

Bankr. No. 24-03277

Chapter 13

Chief Judge Cox

Order on Motion to Dismiss and Bar Debtor from Refiling (Dkt. 43)

The chapter 13 Trustee seeks dismissal of this case due to the Debtor's many infractions regarding disclosing and disposing of his assets.

The Trustee alleges that the Debtor or an entity he controlled had several vehicles. One vehicle was alleged to have been purchased for \$147,850 but sold while the case was pending for \$6300.

The Trustee complains that other vehicles have not been accounted for in the case documents; their value has not been accounted for either.

The Debtor sold his Kabob Express Inc. Business on September 30, 2024 without leave of court and without notice to the Trustee. The Debtor filed a motion to authorize that sale on December 30, 2024. The Trustee has not been given any idea as to the worth of the entity and/or items involved in the sale.

The unauthorized sale of bankruptcy estate assets amounts to a wilful violation of 11 U.S.C. § 1306 which states that the debtor shall remain in possession of all property of the estate except as authorized by a confirmed plan or order confirming a plan.

The Debtor did not secure prior leave of court to sell assets pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363.

The Trustee said at the March 31, 2025 hearing that he has yet to receive documents disclosing the Debtor's assets.

The Debtor's course of conduct is a flagrant violation of basic bankruptcy principles that require debtors to disclose their assets and financial circumstances in exchange for the opportunity to operate under a plan or to secure a discharge.

The Debtor has not disputed the Trustee's allegations.

The court may dismiss a case with a permanent bar to discharge in future bankruptcy cases if the dismissal is based on bad faith conduct.

The court finds that the Debtor's course of conduct, including omissions, amounts to the kind of bad faith that justifies a permanent refiling bar.

Bankruptcy case 24-03277 is dismissed based on the Debtor's reckless, dishonest conduct. The Debtor Hossam Mohamed is barred from filing for bankruptcy relief under all chapters of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code for 20 years, on or before March 31, 2045.

Judge:



Date: March 31, 2025