

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
EL PASO DIVISION

IN RE: §
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF EL PASO, § CASE NO. 26-30311-CGB
DEBTOR¹ § CHAPTER 11
§

**NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR FILING CLAIMS
RELATING TO OR ARISING FROM ABUSE**

**TO ALL PERSONS WITH CLAIMS ARISING FROM ABUSE FOR WHICH THE
DIOCESE OF EL PASO MAY BE LIABLE:**

**SEPTEMBER 11, 2026 IS THE LAST DATE TO FILE PROOFS OF CLAIM FOR
ABUSE**

On March 6, 2026 (the “**Petition Date**”), the Diocese of El Paso (the “**Diocese**”), the debtor and debtor-in-possession in the above-captioned case, filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas (the “**Court**”). The Diocese, its address, case number, proof of claim forms, and other relevant information related to this Chapter 11 Case may be obtained at: <https://cases.stretto.com/dioceसेofelpaso>. Individuals (each a “**Putative Abuse Survivor**” and collectively, the “**Putative Abuse Survivors**”) who believe that the Diocese, or persons affiliated with the Diocese, is liable for his or her injuries arising from abuse should carefully read this notice.

FILING DEADLINE

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas entered an order (the “**Bar Date Order**”) establishing September 11, 2026, as the last date and time (the “**General Bar Date**”) for each Putative Abuse Survivor to file a proof of claim form by filing either (i) a proof of claim form on Official Bankruptcy Form No. B410 (or in substantial conformity therewith); or (ii) the Abuse Proof of Claim Supplement appended to the Bar Date Order as Exhibit B. The General Bar Date and the procedures set forth below for filing proofs of claim apply to all Survivor Claims against the Diocese.

WHO MUST FILE

Any individual who believes that the Diocese, or persons affiliated with the Diocese, is liable for his or her injuries arising from abuse that occurred prior to the Petition Date—regardless of when the alleged abuse took place, and regardless of whether the individual is a minor,

¹ The Diocese’s address is 499 St. Matthews Street, El Paso, TX 79907. The last four digits of the Diocese’s federal tax identification number are 0751.

incompetent, or incarcerated—must file a claim. Claims may also be filed by such individual’s representatives, parents, or guardians, as applicable.

WHO SHOULD NOT FILE

Putative Abuse Survivors should not file a claim if:

- Your abuse claim has already been paid in full;
- You hold a claim that has been allowed by an order of the Bankruptcy Court on or before the General Bar Date; or
- If you do not have an abuse claim against the Diocese.

WHAT TO FILE

YOU MUST FILE EITHER (I) OFFICIAL BANKRUPTCY FORM NO. 410 CLAIM FORM (OR A FORM SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR THERETO); OR (II) THE ABUSE PROOF OF CLAIM SUPPLEMENT, COPIES OF WHICH ARE ENCLOSED. PUTATIVE ABUSE SURVIVORS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO FILE THE ABUSE PROOF OF CLAIM SUPPLEMENT. YOU MAY ALSO OBTAIN A COPY OF THESE FORMS BY FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

PROCEDURES FOR FILING A CLAIM

To file a claim, you must take the following steps:

- Fill out either Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 (or a form substantially similar thereto) or the Abuse Proof of Claim Supplement. Putative Abuse Survivors are strongly encouraged to fill out both forms.
- For additional copies of Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 or the Abuse Proof of Claim Supplement, (a) visit the website of the Diocese’s claims agent, Stretto, Inc., at <https://cases.stretto.com/diocesefelpaso> or contact Stretto via phone, toll free at (833) 345-0351, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Central Time), Monday through Friday or by email at: TeamDioceseofElPaso@stretto.com; or (b) visit the Diocese’s website at <https://www.elpasodiocese.org/>. A copy of the Bankruptcy Form No. 410 claim form may also be found at https://www.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/2025-04/b_410_0425-form.pdf.
- **Please note that the Diocese’s staff is not permitted to give legal advice. You should consult your own attorney for assistance regarding any other inquiries, such as questions concerning the completion or filing of a proof of claim.**
- Return the completed Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 and/or the Abuse Proof of Claim Supplement **so as to be received** by **Stretto, Inc.**, as follows:

If the Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410 or the Abuse Proof of Claim Supplement is sent by mail, Hand Delivery, or Overnight Courier, send to:

Catholic Diocese of El Paso, Claims Processing
c/o Stretto
410 Exchange, Suite 100
Irvine, CA 92602

Alternatively, Putative Abuse Survivors may submit a claim through Stretto, Inc.'s portal: <https://cases.stretto.com/diocesefelpaso>.

- Putative Abuse Survivors' claims will be deemed timely filed only if they are **received by Stretto, Inc. by** September 11, 2026 at 11:59 pm MT.
- Please note that claims submitted by facsimile, telecopy or electronic mail transmission will **not** be accepted and will **not** be deemed filed.

CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

The deadline for a Putative Abuse Survivor to file a claim is **September 11, 2026**. Any Putative Abuse Survivor does not mail or file their claim by that date may **not** be treated as a creditor for voting or distribution purposes under any plan of reorganization, and such claim will be subject to discharge. Failure by a Putative Abuse Survivor to file a claim may prevent such person from voting on any plan of reorganization in this case. Further, if such claim is discharged, the Putative Abuse Survivor **may be forever barred and prevented from asserting his or her claim against the Diocese or its property and may not receive any payment or distribution in connection with such claim.**

CONFIDENTIALITY

Pursuant to the Bar Date Order and Confidentiality Protocol Order, claims filed by Abuse Claimants will remain confidential in this bankruptcy case. Therefore, any claim form that you file will not be available to the general public, but will be kept confidential, except that information will be provided to the Diocese, the Diocese's attorneys, the Diocese's insurers, attorneys for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors and its members, any unknown claims representative appointed under a plan of reorganization, any settlement trustee appointed to administer payments to Abuse Claimants, prison authorities for incarcerated Abuse Claimants and such other persons as the Court determines should have the information in order to evaluate Abuse Claims, all of whom will agree to are required to keep the information provided by you confidential.

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