
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016

PART 10

BANKRUPTCY

CHAPTER 2

CREDITORS' BANKRUPTCY PETITIONS

Preliminary

Hearing of petition

10.21.—(1) The petition may not be heard until at least 14 days have elapsed since it was served on the debtor.

(2) However the court may, on such terms as it thinks just, hear the petition at an earlier date, if—

- (a) it appears that the debtor has absconded;
- (b) the court is satisfied that it is a proper case for an expedited hearing; or
- (c) the debtor consents to a hearing within the 14 days.

(3) The following persons may appear and be heard—

- (a) the petitioning creditor;
- (b) the debtor;
- (c) the supervisor of any IVA in force for the debtor; and
- (d) any person who has delivered a notice under rule 10.19.