

## **6 Forms (Official Bankruptcy Forms, Local Bankruptcy Rules Forms, Other Forms)**

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## **6.1 Obtaining Copies of Forms**

Official Bankruptcy Forms must be used to file and take action in bankruptcy cases. Local Bankruptcy Rules Forms must be used if mandated by the court in a bankruptcy case or proceeding pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California. Mediation Forms and other court-approved forms may also be necessary for use during the course of some bankruptcy or adversary proceedings. Some judges also have forms for use in their cases that are listed on their webpage on the court's website under the *Judges* tab. All of these forms may be downloaded free of charge from the court's website at [www.cacb.uscourts.gov](http://www.cacb.uscourts.gov) -> *Forms*.

## **6.2 Forms for Filing a Bankruptcy Case**

A combination of different forms must be used to file a voluntary bankruptcy case, including a Voluntary Petition, schedules, and statements. Bankruptcy Petition Packages include basic instructions and all of the forms required to file a bankruptcy case under the three most common chapters of bankruptcy in the Central District of California: chapter 7, chapter 11, and chapter 13

## **6.3 Local Bankruptcy Rules (LBR) Forms**

LBR forms are approved by the Central District of California Bankruptcy Court. Each LBR form is numbered to correspond to a related LBR (e.g., F 3015-1.1 is related to LBR 3015-1).

## **6.4 Mediation Forms**

Mediation forms have been approved for use in the Central District of California's Bankruptcy Mediation Program.

## **6.5 Official Bankruptcy Forms**

Official Bankruptcy Forms are approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States to file and take action in bankruptcy cases and adversary proceedings. For more information, such as instructions and committee notes, please visit the forms page on the United States Courts website at [www.uscourts.gov](http://www.uscourts.gov).

## **6.6 Other Forms**

In addition to bankruptcy-related forms listed above, the Central District of California Bankruptcy Court has approved other forms for use in the administration of a case, or has modified Official Bankruptcy Forms.

## **6.7 Proof of Claim Forms**

Proof of Claim forms are often-used as Official Bankruptcy Forms that may be filed by creditors in a case. Creditors will be provided with a notice if and when a Proof of Claim should be filed in a case as well as the deadline for filing a Proof of Claim. Instructions are included on Proof of Claim forms.