## **WARNING**

## IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING FILING FOR BANKRUPTCY

YOU MAY HAVE PROBLEMS AND SHOULD <u>CONSULT AN</u> <u>ATTORNEY</u> IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO YOU:

You have tax **debts**, **student loans**, or **liens** on your property.

You own property with **equity**.

You own your own business.

You are involved in a **profit-sharing arrangement**.

You have an **asset** you do not wish to lose.

You have a **pension plan**.

You want to avoid having your financial accounts frozen.

You want to avoid having your wages garnished.

You have ever used another name or social security number.

You have previously filed for bankruptcy.

You want to avoid an **eviction** or **foreclosure**.

You are registered as a California domestic partner.

You have questions about what debts will be discharged.

You are filing a **Chapter 13** bankruptcy.

Non-attorney bankruptcy petition preparers

SHOULD NOT give legal advice and MAY NOT tell
you how to address any of the above situations.

## Don't be a victim of fraud!

## The charge for a non-attorney to prepare a bankruptcy petition may not exceed \$200.

Filing a bankruptcy incorrectly can harm you. Make sure that you are familiar with the process, and well-informed of the consequences of your decision to file. Remember, if you are not represented by an attorney, **no one** may appear on your behalf at any bankruptcy hearing.

Free Legal Assistance may be available if you qualify –

CONTACT the LEGAL ASSISTANCE organizations provided in the "Don't Have an Attorney" section of the court website at <a href="www.cacb.uscourts.gov/dont-have-attorney">www.cacb.uscourts.gov/dont-have-attorney</a>.

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