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NEW AND REVISED LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULES FORMS EFFECTIVE JUNE 15

New and revised LBR forms became effective in the Central District on June 15. Two new forms, "Exhibit Tag (Plaintiff)" and "Exhibit Tag (Defendant)," are now fillable PDF documents that can be used to tag exhibits. Additionally, the revised "Notice of Motion and Motion for Relief from the Automatic Stay under 11 U.S.C. § 362 (Real Property)" no longer includes a sentence about any loan modification agreement or other agreement being nonrecourse.

LBR forms are available in the [Forms](#) section of the Court's website. For more information about the new and revised forms, see [Public Notice 17-008](#).

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON PROPOSED LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULES AMENDMENTS

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California is circulating proposed amendments to its Local Bankruptcy Rules to both the bar and the public for comment. A [summary and redline](#) of the proposed amendments, which would become effective December 1, is available in the [Rules](#) section of the Court's website.

The Court will carefully consider all comments on the proposed amendments. Please provide any comments on the proposed amendments no later than July 7.

Comments concerning the proposed amendments must be submitted by email to bkcomments@cacb.uscourts.gov and include the name, email address, and phone number of the person submitting the comment.

COURT TO LAUNCH ELECTRONIC PROOF OF CLAIM (ePOC) MODULE

Later this year, the Court plans to introduce the Electronic Proof of Claim (ePOC) online system for filing proofs of claim. Already used by two-thirds of bankruptcy courts in the nation, ePOC was designed to enable creditors that do not have a login or password to easily create, file, amend, or withdraw a proof of claim. Through ePOC's user-friendly screens on the Court's website, creditors will be able to enter claim information into a virtual proof of claim form (Official Form 410), add attachments in support of the proof of claim, and immediately docket the completed proof of claim on the claims register. In addition to providing creditors with improved access for filing proofs of claim, ePOC will also reduce Clerk's Office labor related to the manual entry, scanning, and docketing of the many paper proofs of claims it receives.

COURT CLOSED



Tuesday, July 4—
Independence Day



Monday, September 4—
Labor Day



Accessing Court Information by Twitter

The Court has tweeted over 3,500 times since 2011, and its Twitter account has over 750 followers. The Court tweets announcements, Notices of Sale, Public Notices, and other timely information. In March 2015, the Court began tweeting judicial opinions.

You do not need a Twitter account to view the Court's tweets—just click on the Twitter logo on the home page of the (www.cacb.uscourts.gov). The postings are arranged in chronological order, making it easy to quickly catch up with what is going on at the Court. If you have a Twitter account, follow @cacbnews.

WEBSITE FEEDBACK

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California continues to enhance its website based on feedback from users. Please let us know your thoughts about what is working well and what could be improved at www.cacb.uscourts.gov/contact.

GOVDELIVERY PROVIDES FREE COURT NEWS TO EMAIL AND TEXT SUBSCRIBERS

The Court now offers free notifications by text or email through the national GovDelivery service. Among the types of messages available to subscribers are news and announcements, job postings, Public Notices, CM/ECF updates, and systems status updates.

The Court's registered CM/ECF users have been automatically enrolled to receive CM/ECF system updates, systems status updates, and Public Notices. While GovDelivery replaces the ECF Support mailbox, please note that CM/ECF will continue to transmit Notices of Electronic Filing (NEF) directly.

To start, modify, or cancel your subscription, use the Email Notifications box in the lower right corner of the [Court's homepage](#).

CHIEF JUDGE BLUEBOND ACKNOWLEDGES SERVICE OF BAR ADVISORY BOARD

Chief Judge Bluebond presented the representatives of the Court's Bar Advisory Board with a Certificate of Appreciation and a paperweight at their recent quarterly meeting on June 12. Recipients included Anerio Altman, Peter C. Anderson, Kyra Andrassy, Tony Bisconti, Jenny L. Doling, David M. Goodrich, David R. Hagen, Keith Higginbotham, Daniel A. Lev, Richard A. Marshack, Ashley McDow, and Roksana D. Moradi. Comprised of representatives selected by local bar associations in the Central District, the Bar Advisory Board was established as a means of exchanging information and ideas.

HONOR ROLL RECEPTIONS HONOR *PRO BONO* VOLUNTEERS

During the month of April, the Court hosted Honor Roll receptions at the San Fernando Valley, Los Angeles, and Santa Ana Divisions to thank the volunteers who serve the self-help desks. [Published annually on the Court's website](#) under "Programs and Services for Attorneys," the Honor Roll lists the names of *pro bono* volunteers who have served the Central District during the past year.

At the San Fernando Valley's reception on April 6, volunteer attorneys gathered in the judges' library over hors d'oeuvres with Judges Geraldine Mund, Maureen A. Tighe, Victoria S. Kaufman, and Martin R. Barash. Each volunteer received a certificate of appreciation from the Court.

On the afternoon of Tuesday, April 18, the Los Angeles Division's reception followed a meeting of the Debtor Assistance Project (DAP), organized by the Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association and held at the Court on a quarterly basis. Chief Judge Sheri Bluebond and Judges Vincent P. Zurzolo, Sandra R. Klein, and Neil W. Bason, along with DAP Chair Roksana Moradi and Public Counsel staff attorneys Maggie Bordeaux and Christian Cooper, were among the 20 guests in attendance. In her remarks, Chief Judge Bluebond praised the efforts of the volunteers in assisting those who cannot afford attorney representation.

Judge Bauer hosted the Santa Ana Honor Roll reception in her chambers on the afternoon of April 25. Over 20 guests were in attendance. Judges Erithe A. Smith and Scott C. Clarkson enjoyed Mediterranean fare with Public Law Center *Pro Bono* Director Leigh Ferrin and attorney volunteers, and Judge Bauer expressed the Court's appreciation for the volunteers' efforts.

Rather than host a reception, the Riverside Division recognized volunteers in conjunction with an Inland Empire Bankruptcy Forum event earlier this year. The Northern Division will honor volunteers at an event on July 7.



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS REVIEW LESSONS OF JAPANESE INTERNMENT IN CIVICS CONTEST

On June 7, the awards ceremony for this year's Central District Civics Contest was held at the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles. High school students submitted a record number of essays and videos on the theme "Not to

be Forgotten: Legal Lessons of the Japanese Internment." This year's prompt asked students to demonstrate their understanding of the Japanese internment and its aftermath; explain the constitutional powers and rights that were brought into conflict by the Hirabayashi, Korematsu, and Endo decisions; and discuss the important role of the Judiciary—then and now—in resolving constitutional conflicts involving national security and individual rights. The first-place winners in the essay and video contests advanced to the Ninth Circuit Civics Contest, whose winners will be announced at the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference in July.

The contest would not have been possible without the hard work and generous support of the bar. Lawyers from the Central District publicized the contest at local schools, driving the high number of submissions in this year's contest, and helped judges review the entries and select the winners. The Central District of California Attorney Admissions Fund, the Central District Lawyer Representatives, the Orange County Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, the Japanese American Bar Association, and the Orange County Asian American Bar Association all provided invaluable assistance.

The guest speaker at the ceremony was Sam Mihara, a native of San Francisco who was subject to internment. Mr. Mihara described his Japanese American family's incarceration in a Wyoming prison camp during World War II. His presentation included video clips of survivors discussing their experiences and recounting the animosity and discrimination they faced as people of Japanese descent.

The first-place winner of the essay contest, Ian Xu from Arcadia High School, received \$1,000, round-trip airfare to San Francisco for himself and a parent or guardian, and two nights' accommodations to attend the Ninth Circuit Conference. In his essay, Mr. Xu explained the events that led up to the Supreme Court's Hirabayashi, Korematsu, and Endo decisions, considering the relationship between the issues that confronted the courts during World War II and the issues that are confronting the courts today arising from the war on terrorism.

Mr. Xu was also on the team from Arcadia High School that created the first-place video submission, filmed by Mr. Xu, Cathleen Huang, and Jason Wang. In the video, the students discussed the Hirabayashi, Korematsu, and Endo decisions and interviewed a former internee, asking for her thoughts regarding the recent executive orders often described as Muslim travel bans. They also went to Santa Anita Park, which, like other race tracks in California, served as temporary housing for those of Japanese ancestry who were incarcerated. The first-place video team shared the \$1,000 first-place prize. One member of that team and a parent or guardian will also receive round-trip airfare to San Francisco and two nights' accommodations to attend the Ninth Circuit Conference.

In addition to the prize-winning students and their families and teachers, the event was attended by numerous judges, including Chief Bankruptcy Judge Sheri Bluebond and Bankruptcy Judges Barry Russell, Robert N. Kwan, Sandra R. Klein, Julia W. Brand, and Martin R. Barash; Chief District Judge Virginia A. Phillips, and District Judges Dale S. Fischer, Terry J. Hatter, Jr., John A. Kronstadt, Consuelo B. Marshall, and Manuel L. Real; Magistrate Judges Paul L. Abrams, Kenly Kiya Kato, Jean P. Rosenbluth, Karen E. Scott, and Suzanne H. Segal; and Superior Court Judges Holly J. Fujie and Jon Takasugi. Among the members of the Bankruptcy Court's staff who participated were Clerk of Court Kathleen J. Campbell, Planning and Personnel Management Officer Beryl Dixon, and Chief Deputy of Operations Ben Varela.

CM/ECF TIPS

Requests to Be Removed from Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF)

There are several different ways to submit the Request to Be Removed from Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF). The method depends on how you are associated with a case.

- A.) If your party is **Courtesy NEF only**, you must file a "Request to be Added or Removed from Courtesy Notification of Electronic Filing (NEF)." To file this document, go to: BK – Courtesy NEF > Request for Removal from Courtesy Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF).
- B.) If your party is a **Creditor/Client**, you must draft a document in standard pleading format entitled "Request to Be Removed from Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF)." To file this pleading, go to: BK – Notices > Notice. In the "Modify Text" box, type out the full caption, "Request to Be Removed from Notice of Electronic Filing."
- C.) If your party is **Courtesy NEF and Creditor/Client**, you must draft a document in standard pleading format entitled "Request to Be Removed from Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF)" and include all names the attorney is listed as representing. To file this pleading, go to: BK – Notices > Notice. In the "Modify Text" box, type out the full caption, "Request to Be Removed from Notice of Electronic Filing."

Filing a Motion to Redact (for Protective Order to Restrict Access Pers. ID (LBR Form F 9037-1.1)(Fee)(motion)

1. Access the appropriate form in the Forms section of the Court's website.
2. Ensure the form is signed by both the Movant and the Attorney.
3. File using the specific event: Bankruptcy > BK – Motion/Applications > Redact (for Protective Order to Restrict Access Pers. ID (LBR Form F9037-1.1)(Fee)(motion).
4. Pay the required fee.

Please contact the ECF Help Desk with any questions at (213) 894-2365. Hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding federal holidays.

Top 20 Cases of Interest*

Anchor R & R LLC

SA-17-10703-TA, Chapter 11, Filed 02/24/17. Assets \$10-50 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Monthly Operating Reports filed 6/19/17; Application for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expense of Goe & Forsythe, LLP counsel to debor, Hearing set for Application for Compensation set for 6/28/17 at 10:00 a.m.; Emergency Motion (1) Dismissing chapter 11 case (2) Retaining Jurisdiction over First and Final Fee Application Memorandum of Points and Authorities Declaration; Application Shortening Time re Debot's Emergency Motion with Order set for 6/22/17 at 10:00 a.m. filed 6/15/17; Stipulation by Unites States Trustee for compensation and reimbursement of expenses filed 6/20/17.

Anzhey Barantsevich

SV-16-12073-MT, Chapter 11, Filed 07/18/16. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Scheduling and case management conference continued to 7/12/17 at 9:30 a.m. Hearing regarding Michael Jay Berger's motion to withdraw as debtor's bankruptcy counsel to be held on 6/21/17 at 9:30 a.m. Order approving in part stipulation to continue the deadline to file chapter 11 plan and disclosure statement entered 5/31/17.

BioData Medical Laboratories, Inc.

RS-16-20446-MW, Chapter 11, Filed 11/28/2016. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Order continuing status conference to 8/3/17 at 9 a.m. entered 4/21/17. Order extending exclusivity period for filing a chapter 11 plan entered 4/27/17 - debtor exclusivity period extended to and including 9/1/17. Exclusive solicitation period to solicit acceptance of the chapter 11 plan further extended to 11/1/17. Second interim ombudsman report for the period of 3/1/17 through 4/30/17 filed 5/4/17. Order denying motion to terminate the appointment of a patient care ombudsman entered 5/9/17 per hearing held 5/4/17. UST motion to dismiss or convert filed 5/31/17 hearing set for 6/20/17 at 2 p.m. in Courtroom 225.

British Motorcars Ventura, Inc. DBA Land Rover Jaguar Ventura

ND-17-10489-PC, Chapter 11, Filed 03/22/17. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Chapter 11 status conference continued to 8/9/17 at 10 a.m.

Cartel Management, Inc

LA-17-11179-DS, Chapter 11, Filed 01/03/17. Assets \$0.5-\$1 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Order entered on 6/15/17 (1) approving settlement agreement and mutual general release pursuant to Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure; (2) finding settlement agreement has been entered into in good faith for all purposes; and (3) authorizing the debtors to implement settlement agreement.

Cathy Jean, Inc.

SA-16-16-14633-TA, Chapter 7, Filed 11/09/16. Chapter 7 Involuntary Petition, Petitioning Creditor(s) Bod & Bobby Inc Atty Brian T Harvey, Wenzhou Bobo Shoes International Co. Ltd Atty Randall A Baker, Westfield Topanga Owner, LLC Atty Brian D Huben. Motion for Designation 1007(k) of party to file sch, statmts and other doc. hearing scheduled for 4/25/17 at 11 a.m. Crtrm 5B; Motion for Relief filed 3/30/17 hearing set for 5/2/17 at 10:30 a.m. Order Granting Motion for Relief from Automatic Stay Action in Non-Bankruptcy Forum signed on 5/30/17; Hearing Continued on Generic Motion filed by trustee Kosmala hearing date set for 6/27/17 at 11:00 am crtrm 5B Notice waived by Ringstad for Jones; Stipulation, Notice of Lodgment and Order re Stipulation filed on 6/26/17 by Weneta M. Kosmale and Carl Jones on Third continuance of hearing on Motion for Designation under Fed.R Bankr.P. 1007(k) of party to file Schedules, Statements and Other Documents listed in Involuntary case. Order on Third Stipulation re Continuance scheduled for June 27, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. to August 8, 2017 at 11:00 a.m..

ColorFX, Inc.

SV-17-10830-VK, Chapter 11, Filed 03/31/17. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Scheduling and case management conference continued to 9/7/17 at 1 p.m. Order granting debtor's motion for order approving sale of substantially all assets subject to overbid, free and clear of liens, claims and encumbrances; and assumption and assignment of certain executory contracts entered on 6/15/17.

Early California Restaurants

SV-16-13386-MB, Chapter 11, Filed 11/29/16. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Case closed on 5/3/17.

Gardens Regional Hospital and Medical Center, Inc.

LA-16-17463-ER, Chapter 11, Filed 06/06/16. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-50 million. Order entered on 6/13/17 setting hearing on motion to strike for 7/5/17 at 10 a.m.

Hilldale Partners LLC

SV-17-11003-MT, Chapter 11, Filed 04/16/17. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Order dismissing case entered on 6/19/17.

K&A Global Management Company

SV-16-13295-MT, Chapter 11, Filed 11/17/16. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Scheduling and case management conference continued to 8/16/17 at 9:30 a.m.

Lindley Fire Protection Co. Inc.

SA-17-10929-CB, Chapter 11, Filed 03/12/17. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Order Approving Debtor's and Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors joint application to employ Accurate Business Consulting Inc. as financial advisor and Marshack Hays LLP as general counsel on 6/7/17; Monthly Operating Report filed 6/6/17; Voluntary Dismissal of Motion filed by U.S. Trustee re. Motion to dismiss or convert filed 6/14/17.

Menco Pacific Inc

SV-16-12791-MT, Chapter 11, Filed 09/26/16, Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Scheduling and case management conference continued to 7/27/17 at 9:30 a.m. Hearing regarding motion to convert chapter 11 case to a chapter 7 case or dismiss to be held on 7/27/17 at 9:30 a.m. Hearing regarding confirmation of third amended chapter 11 plan to be held on 7/27/17 and 7/28/17 at 9:30 a.m. Order granting stipulation and order thereon to extend deadlines for returning ballots on plan confirmation and objection to plan confirmation entered on 6/6/17.

Miyagi Sushi, Inc.

RS-16-16990-MJ, Chapter 11, Filed 08/07/16, Assets \$50-100 million and Liabilities \$500-1 million. First amended chapter 11 small business disclosure statement and chapter 11 plan filed 5/15/17. Small business operating report for period 3/1/17-3/31/17 filed 4/24/17. Order approving first amended disclosure statement and chapter 11 plan entered 6/15/17. Confirmation hearing to be held 7/19/17 at 1:30 p.m. Courtroom 301. Last day to object to confirmation 7/5/17.

Nasty Gal Inc.

LA-16-24862-BB, Chapter 11, Filed 11/09/16, Assets \$10- 50 million and Liabilities \$10-50 million. Response to omnibus objection to duplicate proofs of claim filed by creditor Lovely Day Fashion on 6/13/17.

Solid Landing Behavioral Health Inc.

(Lead case to JNTADMIN cases) Cedar Creek Recovery Inc, EMS Toxicology, Silver RockRecovery, Sure Haven Inc. SA-17-12213, SA-17-12218, SA-17-12221, SA-17-12222, SA-17-1222, Chapter 11, Filed 6/1/17, Assets \$50- 100 million and Liabilities \$10-50 million. 5 Motion for Joint Administration with Emergency Motion for Entry of an Order on JNTADMIN (LEAD case) filed 6/1/17 hearing set 6/5/17 first day motions, Emergency Motion filed 6/1/17 to continue and renew their prepetition insurance policies and pay all obligations hearing set 6/21/17 emergency motion for final hearing filed 6/5/17, Order granting emergency Motion filed June 7 & 8, 2017 Authorizing the debtor to implement and maintain case management system, motion for interim and final orders authorizing the debtor maintain continue and renew their prepetition insurance policies and pay all respective obligation and continue premium financing program, Motion to provide adequate assurance of future payment to utility companies. filed 6/8/16.

Stronghold Asset Management Corp.

SV-16-11961-MT, Chapter 11, Filed 07/06/16. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Status and case management conference continued to 7/12/17 at 9:30 a.m. Withdrawal of US Trustee's motion under 11 USC 1112(B) to convert or dismiss case with an order directing payment of quarterly fees filed on 5/30/17. Scheduling order and order requiring parties to mediate dispute concerning motion to sell real property entered on 6/7/17.

Tours Incorporated, Inc.

SV-17-10256-MT, Chapter 11, Filed 1/31/17. Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Scheduling and case management conference continued to 9/13/17 at 9:30 a.m. Stipulation by Tours Incorporated Inc. and JP Morgan Chase for use of cash collateral filed 5/15/17.

WHAA LLC

RS-17014661-MW, Chapter 11, Filed 6/2/17, Assets \$1-10 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. Voluntary chapter 11 petition related to case RS-16-20446 MW BioData Medical Laboratories, Inc. Meeting of creditors set for 6/28/17 at 2:30 p.m., 3801 University Ave, Room 720, Riverside. Order setting hearing on status of chapter 11 case entered 6/9/17 - hearing set for 8/31/17 at 9 a.m.

WJA Asset Management, LLC

(Lead case to JNTADMIN cases) 5827 Winland Hills Drive Development Fund, Alabama Housing Fund, CA Express Fund, CA See Jane Go Fund, CA Whirl Fund, Clairton Residential Renewal, Equity Indexed Managed Fund, Luxury Asset Purchasing International, LVNV Multi Family, PMB Managed Fund, Prosper Managed Fund, TD Opportunity Fund, TD Reo Fund, Urban Produce Fund, Whirl Fund, WJA Express Fund, WJA Real Estate Opportunity Fund I, WJA Real Estate Opportunity Fund II, WJA Secure Real Estate Fund, WJA Secure Income Fund, William Jordan Investmens; CA Real Estate Opportunities Fund I, CA Real Estate Opportunity Fund II, California Indexed Growth Fund, Secure California Income Fund, CA Real Estate Opportunity Fund III. SA-17-11996, SA-17-11997, SA-17-11998, SA-17-11999, SA-17-12000, SA-17-12001, SA-17-12002, SA-17-12003, SA-17-12004, SA-17-12005, SA-17-12006, SA-17-12008, SA-17-12009, SA-17-12010, SA-17-12011, SA-17-12012, SA-17-12013, SA-17-12015, SA-17-12016, SA-17-12018, SA-17-12019, SA-17-12124, SA-17-12125, SA-17-12126, SA-17-12127, SA-17-12285, Chapter 11, Filed 5/18/2017 & 5/25/2017 & 6/6/17, Assets \$1-5 million and Liabilities \$1-10 million. 27 chapter 11 Motion/Notice of Join Administration of cases and requirements for filing documents filed 5/22/17; Emergency Motion for Order authorizing an interim period filed 5/23/17 hearing continued on Emergency Motion to 6/13/17 at 2:00 pm., Order granting in part of Emergency Motion , Application to Employ Smily Wang-Ekval as counsel, Application and Order granted on Shortening Notice for hearing on Motion of Luxury Asset purchasing International LLC filed 6/2/17, Order authorizing extension of time to file schedules and statement of financial affairs to 6/8/17, Amended list of creditors filed 6/2/17, Hearing set on scheduling hearing and case management conference (status Conference to be held 7/13/17 at 11:00am crtm 5C. docketed 6/6/17. Motion to Extend deadlines to file schedules granted to 6/30/17.

*Based on a combination of asset and liability levels, number of creditors, high activity, and/or name recognition.