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## NOTICE TO INDIVIDUAL CONSUMER DEBTOR(S)

There has been a modification to the Notice to Individual Consumer Debtor(s) form. The modification advised debtors that "If you are filing a joint case (a single bankruptcy case for two individuals married to each other), and each spouse lists the same mailing address on the bankruptcy petition, you and your spouse will generally receive a single copy of each notice mailed from the bankruptcy court in a jointly-addressed envelope, unless you file a statement with the court requesting that each spouse receive a separate copy of all notices."

The revision to the form occurred in conjunction with the implementation of a new Bankruptcy Noticing Center's (BNC) program feature that eliminates the mailing of duplicate notices to joint debtors at the same address by sending a single copy of each notice in a jointly-addressed envelope.

## JUST ASK JANET

**Adversary.** Strikes fear in the hearts of secretaries and legal assistants all over the land! Though they present a unique



challenge, you don't have to fear them. One of the biggest reasons they can be difficult is because they aren't filed too often, and the infrequency can make it too easy to overlook some problem areas that occur with these filings. Here are some helpful hints that may make it easier the next time you open one of these.

**ONE** thing to remember when you are preparing to file your complaint is not to file the document in the bankruptcy case. Opening an adversary is similar to opening up a bankruptcy case. Under the Adversary option on the blue tool bar, choose Open an Adversary Proceeding to file the complaint.

**SECOND** is to add the attorney for the Plaintiff. Many times a case is opened and the filer passes over this step. Overlooking this step will hamper Plaintiff's counsel from receiving e-mail notifications on the case.

**THIRD** is to remember to docket the Request to Issue Summons found under Adversary > Complaint and Summons. There is no pdf involved in this action, but it triggers the court to issue the summons for you. Once it is served, you will need to docket it as Summons Service Executed.

**LAST** but not least, the "old" adversary cover sheet is not docketed, and does not need to be attached to the complaint because the information is obtained in CM/ECF on one of the screens during case opening. If you need to attach it, you may, but it is not a requirement.



# NEVADA NUGGETS

By  
Claimjimpin' Jake 'n Mugsy

Well howdy folks! Betcha thought you'd seen the last of ole Mugsy 'n me! Truth be told, we almost didn't come back from our last excursion into the wilds of Nevada. We sorta struck it rich!!! Course I can't tell ya much about our claim, and Mugsy's sworn to secrecy, but lets just say we may have hit the Mother Lode!

Mugsy and me had been livin' it up, sort of enjoying our good fortune, when the editor of the Bugle caught up to us and dropped off our mail. Lordy, Mugs 'n me had no idea we had so many fans that missed us. Heck, I'm just a grizzled ole coot, and Mugsy's seen better stompin' days, but it's good to hear there's still some youngsters out there who appreciate the old timers and their wild (but true!) adventures.

Course, that started me right off to thinkin' about the old days. How much rich history there is in this state that's gettin' lost cause there ain't too many native Nevadans around nowadays (about 1 in 5 is all). Don't even get me started on the folks that can't pronounce the name! City slickers call us Nevahhhhda or NevAduh, shucks, we can spot them a mile away!!! Heck, how many of ya know that our state mammal is the Desert Bighorn? The most common big-game animal found in Nevada is the mule deer. We still have about 200,000 of them throughout Nevada. The most common animal in the state is the black-tailed jackrabbit! Then o'course we got our big Jackalopes out near Area 51. They're a cross between a jackrabbit and a deer. Stand about 3' high, depending on how big the antler spread is...Did you know that our state colors are blue (for our wide-open skies) and silver (for our famous sought-after mineral, of course!)? The state reptile is the Desert Tortoise; state gems are Turquoise and Black Fire Opal; the bird is the Mountain Bluebird and our state song is Home Means Nevada!



One of our counties, Nye, is the third largest county in the United States and Nevada is the seventh largest state, with about 85% of the land owned by the federal government. Our elevation goes from the highest point, Boundary Peak at 13,143 feet to the lowest point at the Colorado River where Nevada, California and Arizona meet at just 470 feet!

Right now, the most harvested crop in our state is alfalfa. In northern and central Nevada our soil is considered prime growing soil, because it contains volcanic ash that reduces the amount of water needed for irrigation. But southern Nevada has produced some fine crops as well. Take Pahrump, for instance. Got its name from the Indians - means Big Water or Water Rock cause there's a large underground river that flows below the valley. Ranchers out there have produced not only rich, lush alfalfa, but peppermint and cotton and grapes as well! There's a winery out in Pahrump that grows their own grapes for their wines, and some of the alfalfa from Pahrump used to be cubed and sold to Japan years ago, back when the whole valley was nothin' but fertile farm land.



The first woman to be chosen Nevada's "Cattleman of the Year" was Louise Marvel, whose family started the first major ranching outfit in Battle Mountain in 1873. For a time her ranch was so large it spread across five counties! Why, there's still about 1600 cattle ranches left in Nevada, and a pretty large sheep population too! We still got cowboys that roam the lonely landscape, with coyotes and hawks and quail to keep 'em company.

Some famous "dude" ranchers that had spreads here were Jimmy Stewart, who owned the Wine Cup Ranch outside of Wells, Joel McCrae had a place outside of the Ruby Valley, and Bing Crosby had some land outside of Elko.

Well, our time is up folks. Hope you enjoyed a few of these "Nevada Nuggets" we brought to you. Mugsy 'n me will be moseying on up the trail for awhile, but we'll be back! We got a ton of tall tales for you, so...Til we meet again...



## STATEMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY

We want to remind our new e-filers that this document SHOULD be filed at the same time as the petition, and it SHOULD be filed as a SEPARATE docket entry under Bankruptcy > Miscellaneous > Statement of Social Security. This is a specialized event that prohibits any outside users from viewing the debtor's social security number. If you include it in your petition OR docket it as a "Document", it will not be protected and the debtor's identity could be compromised.

## HOT OFF THE PRESS



The Bankruptcy Bugle can be e-mailed directly to you each month. If you would like to sign up for e-service, please drop us a note at: [HelpDesk@nvb.uscourts.gov](mailto:HelpDesk@nvb.uscourts.gov). We will gladly add your name to our e-mail list and you just may be the first in town to READ ALL ABOUT IT!



## PASSWORDS and LOGINS

The login assigned by the Court to an individual represents one way you sign your document.

You have agreed to be responsible for anyone who uses that login. This also includes financial responsibility. That is why it is so important to change your passwords often! CM/ECF passwords should be changed on a regular basis and should **always** be changed when you have staff turnover.

## COURTESY COPIES

All Nevada Bankruptcy judges require paper courtesy copies on matters with a hearing date and time. Courtesy copies are required to be filed within 24 hours of the electronic filing or at least 10 business days prior to the hearing.

## GREETINGS TO NEW E-FILERS



Every month new CM/ECF e-filers are joining the District of Nevada. We welcome you all, and want to assure you the Court's goal is to serve, assist and support you and your staff so that the transition from paper docketing to electronic filing becomes an asset to your office. Even when classes have ended, our staff is here to support you - you're not on your own! Call our **HELP DESK** at **866-232-1266** for any assistance you may need for E-filing. The hours of operation are: Monday - Friday from 9 AM - 4 PM, closed from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM, and all official federal holidays. If you prefer, you can also e-mail us at: [helpdesk@nvb.uscourts.gov](mailto:helpdesk@nvb.uscourts.gov)

## CLERK'S ENTRY OF DEFAULT

To file a *Clerk's Entry of Default*, begin by downloading the forms from our web site at [www.nvb.uscourts.gov](http://www.nvb.uscourts.gov). Please note these instructions are **NOT** for a Default Judgment!

The forms are in **Official Forms** under **Part I**. Use **B260** (Entry of Default). File a separate **affidavit** in support of the request that proves the party against whom default is sought has failed to plead or otherwise defend. Submit a Clerk's Entry of Default (Form B260). The Court Clerk will enter the default.

Take the following steps to docket Form B260: Clerk's Entry of Default. Under: **Order Upload > No Motion Filed > Order Type : Ex Parte > Order Description: Ex Parte**.

Leave the hearing date field blank, insert the case number and attach the PDF. You will receive the signed document back via ECF e-mail.