# **BANKRUPTCY BUGLE**



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# <u>APPEALS</u>

A Notice of Appeal may be filed after an Order or Judgment has been entered in a case. In a Notice of Appeal, the party filing the appeal, the appellant, wishes to reverse the Order or Judgment granted in favor of the other party, the appellee. When an Appeal is filed in the District of Nevada, the matter is referred to the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel (BAP).

The filing fee for a Notice of Appeal is \$298.00. If a party wants the appeal to be heard in the United States District Court, a statement of election must be filed. Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 8001 through 8028 provide the procedural rules for appeals. These appeals rules were revised in December 2014.

Under 28 U.S.C. § 158, the U.S. Court of Appeals may accept a direct appeal if the appropriate court or party certifies that direct appeal is necessary to resolve a matter of first impression, conflicting decisions, or public importance.

For more information, use the search box located at the top of the court's webpage to find Appeal related FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions), Local Rules and other guidelines that may be helpful.

### FEE APPLICATIONS

When submitting fee applications, counsel <u>must</u> separate expenses from the attorney fees, and the expenses must also be itemized. Additionally, any expense for which reimbursement is sought must be actual and necessary and supported by documentation as appropriate.

# REMINDERS

#### PROPOSED ORDERS

**Proposed** Orders should **NOT** be uploaded for the Judge's signature. Attach them as an *exhibit* to the motion. Upload an order **AFTER** the hearing for the Judge's signature.

#### ATTORNEYS APPEARING PRO BONO

Attorneys who are appearing pro bono at a hearing should notify the courtroom deputy at the beginning of each calendar. The judge can then decide whether to call that matter first.

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#### **MORTGAGE MODIFICATION MEDIATION (MMM) PORTAL TRAINING**



Sign up for a FREE online webinar to learn how to use the DMM Portal and docUmods to quickly and easily take advantage of the MMM. The webinar will cover all aspects of the DMM Portal and docUmods including how the Court's MMM utilizes these tools.

To see the available dates, and to register for one of the free webinars please click <u>here</u> to register, or visit the following link: <u>https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/</u> rt/4071766800443465474.

#### <u>CHAT</u>

The Nevada Bankruptcy Court has implemented a CHAT service for the public.

The CHAT Help Desk answers questions online Monday—Friday during regular court hours. In addition, phone calls to the Help Desk at 866-232-1266 will still be answered.

Access to CHAT can be found at the court website's home page:

www.nvb.uscourts.gov

#### BANKRUPTCY COURTHOUSE HOURS

C. Clifton Young Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse Hours and

Foley Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse Hours are:

7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Bankruptcy Court Intake Hours are:

**9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.** Excluding Weekends and Federal Holidays.



The guest speakers at this event will be Ken Chupinsky and Dan Watson of Nellis Auction speaking on personal property valuations and the auction process.

DATE: March 26, 2015

- TIME: 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. (Speakers will begin around 12:00 P.M.)
- LOCATION: Pullman Grill at Main Street Station
- PRICE: \$25 for the luncheon or \$35 for the luncheon and CLE credit

RSVP: beau@jeffreycogan.com

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#### VOLUNTARY PETITION

Official Form B1, known as a "Voluntary Petition" must be filed by a debtor to begin a bankruptcy case.

# STEPS TO MANUALLY OPEN A VOLUNTARY PETITION

(Note: Steps 2-6 should be done immediately after opening.)

- 1 Upload VOLUNTARY PETITION
- 2 Upload MATRIX

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- 4 Docket STATEMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY
- 5 Docket DECLARATION OF ELECTRONIC FILING
- 6 Docket MEANS TEST (Individuals Only)
- 7 Docket CERTIFICATE OF CREDIT COUNSELING (Individuals Only)
- 8 Docket CHAPTER 13 Plan (if Applicable)
- ALL Chapter 13 and 11 cases are opened as ASSET cases.



#### JUDGE/TRUSTEE ASSIGNMENT

THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT STEP in opening a new petition.

It is a crucial part of case opening, and will ensure that you receive your 341 notice immediately.



## BANKRUPTCY COURT CONTACT NUMBERS

LAS VEGAS CLERK'S OFFICE: RENO CLERK'S OFFICE: (702) 527-7000 (775) 326-2100

Frequently called numbers, e-mail addresses, and live on-line chat is available on the court's website under Court Information:

http://www.nvb.uscourts.gov/about-the-court/contact-information/