# **BANKRUPTCY BUGLE**



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# **RSS FEEDS AND EMAIL UPDATES**

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada, offers Really Simple Syndication (RSS) of our news and information which allows you to stay current with our latest news and events. When new content is posted to this website, you can receive updates via our RSS feeds. We offer several feeds for RSS subscription. Topics include:

- Announcements & Website Updates
- Bugle Newsletters
- Local Rules News

You can also sign up to receive a feed of docket entries made in CM/ ECF. Categories reported in the feed include: answers, appeals, orders, miscellaneous entries and trustee entries.

To utilize this feature, go to <u>https://ecf.nvb.uscourts.gov</u> and click on the **Court Information** link located in the bottom left corner of the page. When the Court Information page displays, locate the RSS Feed option and subsequently choose: **Entries made in the last 24 hours - Public Users**. A browser may be used to view the feed. Software for displaying RSS Feeds (such as Feedreader) may also be utilized. To sign up or to learn more, please visit: <u>http://www.nvb.uscourts.gov/news-rss/</u>.

The court also offers a free email subscription that allows subscribers to receive notifications by email when new information is available instead of RSS feeds. Topics available for email updates include: site updates/ announcements, CM/ECF announcements, service notifications, administrative/general order announcements, local rules/forms, mortgage modification mediation, and employment opportunities. You only receive updates on topics that you specify and you may unsubscribe at any time.

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# MORTGAGE MODIFICATION MEDIATION (MMM) PROGRAM UPDATES EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2017

The Mortgage Modification Mediation (MMM) Program Procedures have been revised and updated. These updates will take effect May 1, 2017. Changes include adding new section III (E)-Noticing and Service of Ex Parte Motions which sets out an exception to noticing requirements for ex parte motions that are designated as such in the procedures. Other changes include a cite correction to section VI (A)(3)(c)(ii) -Request for Referral to MMM, and an increase in the allowable expenses under section XVI (B)(1)-Responsibilities and Compensation for Debtor's Counsel. The attorney for the debtor will now be permitted to charge up to \$120.00 in expenses, instead of \$100.00 Total expenses should not exceed \$500.00.

Form NVB 105-22 has also been updated to reflect the fee changes.



## **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 2 business days of the electronic filing or 1 business day if the matter is to be heard on shortened time. See <u>LR 9014 (e)(2)</u> for more information on courtesy copies.

Courtesy copies must also adhere to the local rules regarding form of papers. This includes single sided printing, and they must be on 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper. See LR <u>9004</u>.

### <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

# STEPS TO MANUALLY OPEN A VOLUNTARY PETITION

Official Form B101/201, known as a "Voluntary Petition" must be filed by a debtor to begin a bankruptcy case.

Note: Steps 2-7 should be done immediately after opening.

In CM/ECF, click on Bankruptcy. Then click on the following Bankruptcy Events, answering the prompts that appear.

- 1. Open Voluntary BK Case (All Chapter 13 and 11 cases are opened as ASSET cases).
- 2. Creditor Maintenance → Upload list of creditors file.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Miscellaneous Statement of Social Security Number(s).
- 5. Miscellaneous Declaration re: Electronic Filing.
- 6. Miscellaneous \_\_\_\_\_ select applicable Income Means Test events.
- 7. For Individuals Only: Miscellaneous Certificate of Credit Counseling.

The following applies to Chapter 13 cases only. Search for a Chapter 13 Plan Confirmation hearing (initial hearing only) date from the self-calendaring section on the court's website, <u>http://www.nvb.uscourts.gov/calendars/self-calendaring-dates/</u>.

- 8. Plan → Chapter 13 Plan #1.
- 9. Notices Confirmation Hearing.

# 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/