United States Bankruptcy Court Western District of Missouri



Notice of Amendments to Official Bankruptcy Forms Effective December 1, 2015

Below is an announcement from the US Courts website regarding changes to the official bankruptcy forms effective December 1, 2015. You may access further information at http://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/pending-rules-amendments/pending-changes-bankruptcy-forms

Pending Changes in Bankruptcy Forms

Most Official Bankruptcy Forms will be replaced with substantially revised, reformatted and renumbered versions effective December 1, 2015. The revised forms were approved by the Judicial Conference on September 17, 2015 and are in a book-marked PDF file below.

These new forms are part of a forms modernization project that was begun by the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules in 2008. Among other things, the new forms introduce different versions of case opening forms for individual debtors and non-individual debtors. The new forms are easier for debtors to understand and complete and are designed to work with scheduled enhancements to the federal courts' case opening and electronic case management system.

Some of the modernized forms are already in effect and will simply be renumbered on December 1, 2015. Other forms were published for public comment in August 2013 or 2014 and have been approved by the Bankruptcy Rules Advisory Committee and the Standing Rules Committee. All but six existing official forms are on track to be replaced by modernized versions:

- The following official forms are on track to be replaced: 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6 Summary, 6 Declaration, 6A-J, 8, 9A-I, 10, 10A, 10S1, 10S2, 11A, 11B, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16A, 16B, 16D, 17, 18, 19, 22A1 through 22C2, 23 and 27.
- The following six official forms will be revised in 2016 or later: 20A, 20B, 25A, 25B, 25C, and 26.

Virtually all director's bankruptcy forms (current forms 13S thorough 283) will also be replaced by updated and renumbered versions on December 1, 2015. The renumbered forms are in a book-marked PDF file below.

- Instructions for Individual Debtors (pdf)
- Instructions for Non-Individual Debtors (pdf)
- Forms Number Conversion Chart (pdf)
- Pending Official Bankruptcy Forms and Committee Notes (pdf)
- Pending Director's Forms (pdf)
- Instructions for Official Form 410 (pdf)
- Instructions for Official Form 410A (pdf)