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**NOTICE**

**Official Bankruptcy Forms and Director's Procedural Forms Changes  
Effective Tuesday, December 1, 2015**

Effective December 1, 2015, most of the current Official Bankruptcy Forms will be replaced with substantially revised, reformatted and renumbered new forms.

These new forms are part of the Advisory Committee's ongoing forms modernization project that began in 2008, with the objective to make the forms easier to understand and to improve the interface between the forms and the judiciary's next generation of Case Management/Electronic Case Filing (CM/ECF) software. Among other things, the new forms introduce different versions of case opening forms for individual and non-individual debtors.

- The following forms will be replaced: 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6 Summary, 6 Declaration, 6 A-J, 7, 8, 9A-I, 10, 10A, 10S1, 10S2, 11A, 11B, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16A, 16C, 16D, 17A, 17B, 18, 19, 22A1 through 22C2, 23, and 27.

Effective December 1, 2015, virtually all Director's Procedural Forms (current forms 13S through 283) will also be replaced by updated and renumbered versions.

**For Pro Se (Self-represented) Filers**

If you intend to file for bankruptcy before December 1, 2015, you can still use the forms provided to you by the Clerk's Office (and the PDF forms currently posted on our website).

If you intend to file for bankruptcy on or after December 1, 2015, you must use the revised new forms. The new Official Bankruptcy Forms will be available by request from the Clerk's Office soon.

**For Attorneys**

Our office has been made aware that CINGroup's EZ-Filing software will no longer be updated or supported after November 30, 2015 (<http://go.cingroup.com/ezfilingtransition> ). Please contact your software vendor for more information and make necessary arrangements to ensure you are on a supported software program with updated forms before filing any case with the court on or after December 1, 2015.

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**Attorney Training**

On Friday, November 20, 2015, the MSBA Consumer Bankruptcy Section, the Bankruptcy Bar Association for the District of Maryland, and the Court will hold a training seminar for attorneys and attorneys' staff on the new forms. More information about this seminar is available on the Court's website at <http://www.mdb.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/FormsSeminar.pdf>.

**Additional Information**

For additional information regarding impending changes to the Official Bankruptcy Forms and Director's Procedural Forms, please visit the U.S. Court's website at <http://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/pending-rules-amendments/pending-changes-bankruptcy-forms>. For further information, please click the links 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)