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#### **DEBTOR** If you are unsure about an Legal Name: answer leave it blank! Include married, maiden, All other names used by you in the last six years: and trade names. Social Security Number: If more than one, list all - numbers Taxpayer Identification Number: Street Address: \_\_ Mailing Address: If different from street address County of Residence: CO-DEBTOR (SPOUSE) If you are unsure about an Legal Name: answer leave it blank! All other names used by you in the last six years: Include married, maiden, and trade names. If more than one, list all Social Security Number: numbers Taxpayer Identification Number: Street Address: If different from street Mailing Address: address County of Residence:

#### PRIOR BANKRUPTCIES

Location of filing: Case Number: Date Filed: Discharged?  Location of Filing: Case Number: Date Filed: Discharged?  PE	NDING BANKRUPTO			artner or c	If more than two, attach additional sheets
Debtor Name:  Case Number:  Date Filed:  District:  Relationship:  Judge:					If more than one, attach additional sheets
	CO	NTACT IN	FORMATION	<b>:</b>	
Telephone (Home): Cell Phone: Office Phone: Email Address:	Deb			Co-De	btor (Spouse)
Court Filing Fee:	commended Chapter 7, 11, 1	Amount Paid:	\$\$		

#### TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT:

If you return the Worksheets to our office for preparation, you will be asked to sign our Engagement Agreement and you agree to the terms and conditions of the Agreement (a copy of which is attached to the Information Package part of these worksheets) even if the original Agreement is not signed inadvertently, or not signed until the time of the final preparation of the paperwork for filing. The returning of the Worksheets constitutes your agreement to the terms of our engagement set forth therein. Thank You.

These worksheets are our office's attorney/client working papers and generally cannot be and will not be released or disclosed to any third party by our office because they are privileged attorney/client documents used by our office to give you informed legal advice. These worksheet papers are given to our office for us to be able to give you full and complete legal advice or assistance in your bankruptcy legal proceedings. We cannot give you informed legal advice unless these Worksheets are filled out fully and completely, and which you might not have otherwise disclosed absent this privilege. From these worksheets, we will review the information with you, and we will prepare draft Schedules and Statements which we will also go through with you before final preparation and filing with the court. This information is important to us in order to advise you about the various chapters of Bankruptcy, the right to exemptions, the means test issues, and other legal consequences of filing.

YOU MUST ATTACH THE FOLLOWING TO THE WORKSHEETS, AS THEY ARE REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTEE:

#### ATTACHED CHECKLIST:

	Your last year's filed federal Income Tax Return (Form 1040)
1.	If you didn't file a return for last year, then a copy of the last tax return you did actually file
2.	Copies of your last two months pay stubs, or other pay verification for the prior two months.
3.	Copy of your bank statements, for all bank accounts, for the month that we file the bankruptcy. The trustee is required to verify the amount on hand at the time of the filing, and we must provide the trustee with bank statements for verification. Therefore, be careful when filling out the forms, to account for checks that are written but not cleared.
4.	A copy of your social security card (or something with your social security number on it that you did not prepare, such as a W-2 statement, etc.)
5.	Copy of your Driver's License
6.	A copy of your credit report. We recommend getting a credit report (which can be obtained for free) to verify all your creditor debt. Try: <a href="https://www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a>

## **ASSETS – REAL PROPERTY**

## (Home)

Address and description of real property that you own or have an interest in:	
Ownership Single Individual Debtor Co-Debtor (Spouse) Joint Community	
Market Value: \$	
Date Purchased:	
If real estate, state your interest:	
If you still owe money on this property, list to whom and how much you owe them:	
1 \$	
2 \$	
3. \$	

## **ASSETS - PROPERTY YOU OWN**

## (2<sup>ND</sup> Home/Rental Property/Other Real Property)

Address and description of property:
Ownership 🗌 Single Individual 🔲 Debtor 🔲 Co-Debtor (Spouse) 🔲 Joint 🔲 Community
Market Value: \$
Date Purchased:
If real estate, state your interest:
If you still owe money on this property, list to whom and how much you owe them:
1 \$
2 \$
3

## **ASSETS**

## **PERSONAL PROPERTY**

VALUE (REPLACEMENT COST IF YOU HAD TO GO OUT AND BUY IT USED IN THE SAME CONDITION IT IS IN NOW

KIN	D OF PROPERTY					
1.	Cash on Hand	\$				
2.	Checking Account					
Bar	k Name:	\$				
Bar	k Name:	\$				
[ <b>Y</b>	[You must provide the Trustee with a copy of all your Bank Statements for the month prior to filing to verify this amount; so be aware of any checks that are outstanding and not cleared.]					
2.	Savings Account					
Bar	k Name:	\$				
Bar	k Name:	\$				
2.	Stockbroker, Credit Union or Other Cash Accounts	\$				
3.	Landlord Deposits	\$				
4.	Household Goods, Furnishings, Computers, Stereo, Piano, etc. Furniture, Household Items.	\$				
5.	Books, Pictures, Art	\$				
6.	Wearing Apparel and Clothing	\$				
7.	Furs and Jewelry	\$				
8.	Firearms, Photographic and Hobby Equipment	\$				
9.	Insurance Policies (cash value, not face value)	\$				
10.	Annuities	\$				
11.	Educational IRA's and Tuition Plans	\$				
12.	IRA's and Pensions	\$				
Fro	m what company?					
	Stocks owned in any company (including small inesses you might own)					
Na	me:	\$				
Na	me:	\$				

#### **ASSETS**

#### **PERSONAL PROPERTY**

KIND OF PROPERTY

Including Unpaid Commissions, Bonuses To Be Paid, etc.

VALUE (REPLACEMENT COST IF YOU HAD TO GO OUT AND BUY IT USED IN THE SAME CONDITION IT IS IN NOW

14. Interest in any partnerships	
Name:	
Percentage Owned:	\$
15. Government Bonds, Savings Bonds, Annuities	\$
16. <u>Tax Refunds</u> , Accounts Receivables, Other Debts Owed to you	\$
17. Alimony, Child Support, Maintenance	
From Whom:	
How Much Per Month:	\$
19. Patents, Copyrights, IP Property	\$
20. Franchises, Licenses	\$
21. Any Contingent or Claims You Have Against Someone Else Including any Personal Injury Claims	\$
Accident?	
When?	
Extent of Injuries	
22. Franchises, Licenses, Patents, Copyrights, IP	\$
25. Automobiles and Vehicles	
Make & Model:	\$
Make & Model:	\$
Make & Model:	\$
26. Boats and Accessories	\$
27. Aircraft	\$
28. Office Equipment, Furnishings, Supplies	\$
29. Machinery, Fixtures, Equipment	\$
30. Business Inventory	\$
33. Farm Equipment, Animals, Feed, Pets.	\$
35. Any Other Property Not Otherwise Itemized,	\$

<i>'</i> –	Debtor:			

## **SECURED CREDITORS ON REAL ESTATE**

Home Loans, Home Mo	ortgages, Second Mortgages, Etc.	
1 <sup>st</sup> MORTGAGE: Name of Creditor And " <u>customer service</u> " mailing address, <u>not</u> the	address to which you send payment:	
Name:		
Address:		
HOW MUCH DO YOU OWE ON THE MORTGAC	GE? \$	
What is the address of the property?		
Account Number:	Interest Rate:	%
Monthly Payment: \$	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)	
Amount in Arrears (if any): \$ How many months in arrears?		
What is the real property worth?		
How did you determine the value? (Appraisals; To	ax Value, etc.)	
What is your intention for the property? (i.e. keep	t)	
2 <sup>nd</sup> MORTGAGE: Name of Creditor		
And " <u>customer service</u> " mailing address, <u>not</u> the	address to which you send payment:	
Name:		
Address:		
HOW MUCH DO YOU OWE ON THE MORTGAC	GE? \$	
What is the address of the property?		
Account Number:	Interest Rate:	<u>%</u>
Monthly Payment: \$	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)	
Amount in Arrears (if any): \$	How many months in arrears?	
What is the real property worth?		
How did you determine the value? (Appraisals; To		
What is your intention for the property? (i.e. keep		

If you have more than 2 loans on your home, then list information on a separate sheet.

#### SECURED CREDITORS ON OTHER REAL ESTATE

Such as Second Homes, Lots, Vacant Land, Etc.

Home Loans, Home Mortgages, Second Mortgages, Etc. 1st MORTGAGE: Name of Creditor And "customer service" mailing address, not the address to which you send payment: Name: Address: HOW MUCH DO YOU OWE ON THE MORTGAGE? \$ What is the address of the property? Interest Rate: \_\_\_\_\_\_ % Account Number: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ When did you obtain the loan? (Date) Monthly Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ How many months in arrears? Amount in Arrears (if any): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ What is the real property worth? How did you determine the value? (Appraisals; Tax Value, etc.) What is your intention for the property? (i.e. keep it) 2<sup>nd</sup> MORTGAGE: Name of Creditor And "customer service" mailing address, not the address to which you send payment: Name: Address: HOW MUCH DO YOU OWE ON THE MORTGAGE? \$ What is the address of the property? Interest Rate: \_\_\_\_\_ % Account Number: Monthly Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_ When did you obtain the loan? (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ How many months in arrears? Amount in Arrears (if any): What is the real property worth? \$ How did you determine the value? (Appraisals; Tax Value, etc.) What is your intention for the property? (i.e. keep it)

If you have more than 2 loans on your home, then list information on a separate sheet.

OTHER SECURED DEBT

#### **Such as Auto Debts**

Name of Secured Creditor And " <u>customer service</u> " mailing address, <u>not</u> t	the address to which you send payment:	
Name:		
Address:		
HOW MUCH DO YOU OWE ON THE LOAN?	\$	
What is the secured property? (i.e. car make r	model, year)	
Account Number:	Interest Rate:	%
Monthly Payment:	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)	
Amount in Arrears (if any):	How many months in arrears?	
What is the car or collateral worth?	\$	
How did you determine the value? (Appraisals	s; Comparables, etc.)	
What is your intention for the property? (i.e. k	eep it)	
Name of Secured Creditor And " <u>customer service</u> " mailing address, <u>not</u> t	the address to which you send payment:	
Name:		
Address:		
HOW MUCH DO YOU OWE ON THE LOAN?	\$	
What is the secured property? (i.e. car make r	model, year)	
Account Number:	Interest Rate:	
		%
740mm/ 1 d/mem.	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)	
	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)	
	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)  How many months in arrears?	
Amount in Arrears (if any): \$	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)  How many months in arrears?	
Amount in Arrears (if any): \$  What is the car or collateral worth?	When did you obtain the loan? (Date)  How many months in arrears?  \$  \$  Comparables, etc.)	

REMEMBER THAT IN ORDER TO KEEP A CAR, YOU HAVE TO REAFFIRM THE DEBT WITH THE LENDER OR THEY CAN REPOSSESS IT EVEN IF YOU ARE CURRENT ON YOUR PAYMENTS!!

#### **PART TWO: UNSECURED DEBTS**

Debts refer to any amount of money that you owe to any person or company. This includes any debt that has been "Charged Off." Monthly bills, such as the telephone bill or car insurance are not debts unless you are more than one month behind. You already listed debts that are secured in the Asset Section, so you will not need to relist them here. If you are unsure whether a debt is secured or not, call us. If there is a debt you wish to continue paying, you must still list it in this Section. Failure to do so can result in additional fees, denial of your bankruptcy, or even criminal prosecution. We can always attempt to pull debts out after the case is filed.

Debts are divided into categories by the Court:

- 1. Taxes owed to either the IRS or a state or local government;
- 2. Delinquent Child Support or Alimony;
- 3. Other Debts owed to an ex-spouse;
- 4. Court Fines, including traffic and parking infractions;
- 5. Student Loans:
- 6. Consumer Debts, including credit cards, medical bills, NSF checks, etc.

#### **SECTION A: TAXES**

Have you filed all required tax returns? Yes	No	
What required forms and years were NOT filed?		

#### **TAX DEBTS**

(Tax agency means IRS or WA State Property taxes, etc.) Tax Agency: Address: Type of Return: (1040, 941, etc.): Tax Year: Return Filed: Month: Year: Amount due: 2. Tax Agency: Address: Type of Return: (1040, 941, etc.): Tax Year: Return Filed: Month: Year: Amount due: 3. Tax Agency: Address: Type of Return: (1040, 941, etc.): Tax Year: Return Filed: Month Amount due:

IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN THREE TAXES OWED, PLEASE PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED ABOVE FOR THE ADDITIONAL TAXES ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER.

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# SECTION B: DELINQUENT CHILD SUPPORT & MAINTENANCE

Party owed support/maintenance:  If Child, List names and ages of children:	
Current Monthly Support Payment Amount	\$
Monthly Payment Arrearage Amount:	\$
Total Back Support Amount Owed:	\$
Do you pay direct to the parent or through the	Dept. of Child Support?
If to the Dept. of Child Support (DSHS), Please	list address:
Party owed support/maintenance:	
If Child, List names and ages of children:	
Current Monthly Support Payment Amount	\$
Monthly Payment Arrearage Amount:	\$
Total Back Support Amount Owed:	\$
Do you pay direct to the parent or through the	Dept. of Child Support?
If to the Dept. of Child Support (DSHS), Please	list address:
SECTION C: OTHER	DEBTS OWED TO EX-SPOUSE
Do you owe any money to an ex-spouse for of to pay marital debts that were included in you	ther than Child Support or Alimony? (This includes any promise or Divorce Decree)
If "no," proceed to Section D. If "yes," then ple	ease describe and attach a copy of your Divorce Decree

PLEASE USE ADDRESS FOR "**CUSTOMER SERVICE**' AND <u>NOT</u> THE ADDRESS TO WHICH YOU MAIL PAYMENTS.

Name of Creditor and Address	When Incurred & For What	Amount of Claim (Note if Disputed)
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		

PLEASE USE ADDRESS FOR "**CUSTOMER SERVICE**' AND <u>NOT</u> THE ADDRESS TO WHICH YOU MAIL PAYMENTS.

Name of Creditor and Address	When Incurred & For What	Amount of Claim (Note if Disputed)
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		

PLEASE USE ADDRESS FOR "CUSTOMER SERVICE" AND  $\underline{\mathsf{NOT}}$  The address to which you mail payments.

Name of Creditor and Address	When Incurred & For What	Amount of Claim (Note if Disputed)
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		

PLEASE USE ADDRESS FOR "CUSTOMER SERVICE" AND  $\underline{\mathsf{NOT}}$  The address to which you mail payments.

Name of Creditor and Address	When Incurred & For What	Amount of Claim (Note if Disputed)
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		\$
Account No.:		
Name:		
Address:		
		\$
Account No.:		

#### **SCHEDULE G – EXECUTORY CONTRACTS**

## Leases

Describe all executory contracts of any nature and all unexpired leases of real property or personal property. Include any timeshare interests.

property. Include	e any timeshare interests.
Party:	If you are unsure about an
Address:	answer leave it
	Didik:
Description:	List all contracts or leases which
	will continue after your
	bankruptcy is
	filed
	<del>-</del>
Intent: Assume Reject (Chapters 7 and 13 o	nly)
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SCHEDULE I	H - CODEBTORS
also liable on any debts listed by debtor in the sch If the debtor resides or resided in a community pro Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, Nev within the eight year period immediately preceding debtor's spouse and of any former spouse who res state, commonwealth, or territory. Include all name	person or entity, other than a spouse in a joint case that is redules of creditors. Include all guarantors and co-signers. Experty state, commonwealth, or territory (including Alaska, or Mexico, Puerto Rico, Texas, Washington or Wisconsin) ag the commencement of the case, identify the name of the ides or resided with the debtor in the community property as used by the nondebtor spouse during the eight years case. If a minor child is a codebtor or a creditor, indicate 2; Fed. Bankr. P. 1007(m)
Name and Address of Co-Debtor:	Creditor to Whom Co-debtor May Be Liable:
Other Names By Which Co-Debtor is Known:	
Name and Address of Co-Debtor:	Creditor to Whom Co-debtor May Be Liable:
Other Names By Which Co-Debtor is Known:	

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## **SCHEDULE I - INCOME**

#### **DEBTOR**

Marital status:  Single Married Divorced Separated Other:				If you are unsure about an answer	
Dependants (i.e. Chile	dren)		T		leave it blank!
Name		Age	Re	lationship	
					<u>Do not repeat</u>
					information entered on either
					the debtor or spouse form!
Employment					
Occupation:					
Employer:					
Address of Employer:					
How long?					
Paycheck Weekly	, □ Bi-Weekl	y Semi-Mont	hly Monthly		
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		Paycheck Earn	ings		
Gross Earnings		, \$	J		
Overtime		\$			
Total Earnin	qs	\$			
	_	uctions from P	aycheck		
Federal		٨	Nandatory		
Withholding Tax		-	ontributions to	•	
	\$		etirement Plan	\$	_
Social Security (FICA) Tax			oluntary ontributions for		
(ITCA) Tax	\$		etirement plans	\$	_
Medicare Tax		R	equired		
		re	epayments of		
	\$		etirement tund oans	\$	
State Withholding	,	 Ir	nsurance		_
Taxes	\$		isor arres	\$	_
Other		U	nion Dues	•	
City/Municipal Tax	\$			\$	_
Other Deductions Please Specify:			omestic Support Obligations	\$	
riedse opecity.			bligations	Ψ	_
Net Paycheck		\$			
•		·			

20 – Debtor:\_\_\_\_\_

Other Income (Monthly)				
Regular Income from Business/Profession	\$			
Income from Real Property	\$			
Interest and Dividends	\$			
Alimony, Maintenance or Support	\$			
Social Security/Government Assistance:	\$			
Other Monthly Income	•			

Other Monthly Income Source:	\$					
Notes: (Describe any increase or decrease in	Notes: (Describe any increase or decrease in income reasonably anticipated to occur within the next year)					

## **SCHEDULE I - INCOME**

## CO-DEBTOR (SPOUSE)

Marital status:  Single Married Divorced Separated Other:				If you are unsure about an answer	
Dependants (i.e. Child	lren)				leave it blank!
Name		Age	Relo	ationship	
					<u>Do not repeat</u>
					information entered on either
					the debtor or spouse form!
Employment					•
Occupation:					
Employer:					
Address of Employer:					•
How long?					•
Paycheck Weekly	☐ Ri-Weekly ☐	Semi-Mo	onthly Monthly		•
Tayencek Weekly	DI-TTECKIY	001111-7410	mininy in Monininy		
	ъ.		•		
	Paych	neck Ear	rnings		
Gross Earnings		\$_			_
Overtime		\$_			1
Total Earnings \$					_
	Deduction	ns from	Paycheck		1
Federal			Mandatory contributions to		
Withholding Tax	\$		Retirement Plan	\$	
			Voluntary		
Social Security (FICA) Tax	\$		contributions for retirement plans	\$	
(FICA) Tax	<b>4</b>		Required	<b>4</b>	
			repayments of		
Medicare Tax	\$		retirement fund loans	\$	
	<b>₽</b>		iodis		
State Withholding Taxes	\$		Insurance	\$	
Other					
City/Municipal Tax	\$		Union Dues	\$	
Other Deductions Specify:			Domestic Support Obligations	\$	
Net Paycheck		\$			
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		22	- Debtor:		

Other Income (Monthly)				
Regular Income from Business/Profession	\$			
Income from Real Property	\$			
Interest and Dividends	\$			

Interest and Dividends \$\_\_\_\_\_ Alimony, Maintenance or Support Social Security/Government Assistance: Other Monthly Income \$

Source:

Notes: (Describe any increase or decrease in income reasonably anticipated to occur within the next year)			

## **SCHEDULE J – EXPENDITURES**

			Property #1	Property #2	
Rent/Home Mortg	age Payment (Include Lot Rented for Mobile Home)	\$			If you are unsure
Are real	estate taxes included?  Yes No>	\$			about an answer
ls proper	ty insurance included? Yes No>	\$			leave it blank!
	Property, Homeowners, or Renter's Insurance	\$			
	Home maintenance, repair, and upkeep expenses	\$			
	Homeowner's Association or Condominium Dues	\$			
	Electricity, heat, and natural gas	\$			
	Water, Sewer, and Garbage Collection	\$			Enter your
Teleph	one, cell phone, internet, satellite, and cable services	\$			average monthly expenses.
Other. Specify:		\$			Pro-rate any payments made
	Food and housekeeping supplies	\$			bi-weekly,
	Childcare and children's education costs	\$			semi-monthly, quarterly,
	Clothing, Laundry and Dry Cleaning	\$			semi-annually,
	Personal care products and services	\$			or annually to show monthly
	Medical and Dental Expenses	\$			rate.
	Transportation (not including car payments)	\$			
Recreatio	n, Clubs, Entertainment, Newspapers, Magazines, Etc.	\$			
	Charitable Contributions	\$			
Insura	nce (not deducted from wages or included in home		aaae)		
	Life	\$	J. J.,		
	Health	\$			
	Auto and other vehicle	\$			
Other:	Auto and other vehicle	\$			
	es (not deducted from wages or included in home me		ıqe)		
Agency:	·	\$			
Agency:		\$			
Installment Payr	ments (if a Ch.13, do not list payments that will be i	nclu	ded in the plan)		
	Car Payments for Vehicle #1	\$			
	Car Payments for Vehicle #2	\$			
Other:	,	\$			
	Alimony, Maintenance, and Support Paid to Others	\$			
Payments for S	upport of Additional Dependants Not Living at Home	\$			
	enses From Operation of Business, Profession, or Farm (Attach Profit and Loss Statement)	\$			
Other:	,	\$			
Other:		\$			
Other:		\$			
		·			
Notes (Describe any i	ncrease or decrease in expenditures reasonably anticipated to occu	ur with	nin the next year)		

In most proceedings, your "income' is defined as your average income for the past six months. Therefore, if your income has had significant variations over the last six months, such as a period of unemployment, large/small commission variances, change of jobs, etc., then please itemize your monthly income from each month over the last six months. Also, remember that "income" is not just wages, but can be child support, unemployment benefits, pension or retirement, or rent income from a tenant, etc. Please break down your total income for the last six months.

This is important, in that the bankruptcy laws now provide that certain "high income" debtors cannot file Ch.7, and must file pay-back Ch.13 or Ch.11 plans instead. You may have heard the term "means test" which goes through your prior 6-month's income, and certain allowed expenses to see if you qualify for Ch.7. If the Trustees think you do not qualify, they can bring a motion "for abuse of the bankruptcy law" [commonly called a Section 707(b) motion] to scrutinize your prior and current income and your current expenses. Thus, we need this information to evaluate your eligibility for Ch.7 under the means test.

Last month: Gross Income from all sources	\$
Deductions, taxes, FICA, etc.	\$
Net income for the month	\$
Two months ago: Gross Income from all sources	\$
Deductions, taxes, FICA, etc.	\$
Net income for the month	\$
Three months ago: Gross Income from all sources	\$
Deductions, taxes, FICA, etc.	\$
Net income for the month	\$
Four months ago: Gross Income from all sources	\$
Deductions, taxes, FICA, etc.	\$
Net income for the month	\$
Five months ago: Gross Income from all sources	\$
Deductions, taxes, FICA, etc.	\$
Net income for the month	\$
Six months ago: Gross Income from all sources	\$
Deductions, taxes, FICA, etc.	\$
Net income for the month	\$

#### **RESIDENCY**

We need to establish your residency in order to protect your assets. Please fill out the form below. Stop when you get back to January 1, 2004. You only need the month and the year, not an exact date. If you are off by a month or two, that is OK, no more than that. If you are filing as a married couple and have been living together since January 1, 2004 please feel free to make the spouse column "Same."

	Debtor	Spouse
When did you move into your present Residence:		
When did you move into your previous Residence:		
State of previous residence:		
When did you move into your previous Residence:		
State of previous residence:		
When did you move into your previous Residence:		
State of previous residence		
When did you move into your previous Residence:		
State of previous residence		



1. Income from Emp	loyment or Operation of Business	None	Attach pay stubs received in the past 60
the debtor's business fron amounts received during maintained, financial rec the beginning and ending	of income the debtor has received from employing the beginning of this calendar year to the date the two years immediately preceding this calendary ords on the basis of a fiscal rather than a calendary grates of the Debtor's fiscal year.) If a joint petitebtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must state income	his case was commenced. State also the gross ar year. (A debtor who maintains, or has r year may report fiscal year income. Identify ion is filed, state income for each spouse	days.  Attach copies of your tax returns for the past two years.
	Debtor	Co-Debtor (Spouse)	Indicate the amount and source of income for this
Year to Date:			year-to-date, last year, and two years ago
1 Year Ago:			
2 Years Ago:			
State the amount of inco debtor's business during petition is filed, state inco	n from Employment or Operation of Busi me received by the debtor other than from employ the <b>two years</b> immediately preceding the commen ome for each spouse separately. (Married debtors not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are se	rment, trade, profession, operation of the cement of this case. Give particulars. If a joint filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must state income for	Did you sell anything, receive any benefits suc as unemployment insurance, or have any gambling winnings?
	Debtor	Co-Debtor (Spouse)	Indicate the amount and
Year to Date:			source of income for this year-to-date, last year, and two years ago.
1 Year Ago:			and two yours ago.
2 Years Ago:			
days immediately precedure property that constitutes asterisk (*) any payment obligation or as part of nonprofit budgeting and ch.13 must include paym	goods or services, and other debts to any creditor ding the commencement of this case if the aggregator is affected by such transfer is not less than \$60 is that were made to a creditor on account of a do an alternative repayment schedule under a plan be creditor counseling agency. (Married debtors filingents by either or both spouses whether or not a join parated and a joint petition is not filed.)	ate value of all  0. Indicate with an mestic support y an approved ng under ch.12 or	address of the creditor, dates of payment(s), amount paid, and amount still owing.
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to any creditor made with the aggregate value of than \$5,000. (Married of	re not primarily consumer debts: List each paymen thin 90 days immediately preceding the commence all property that constitutes or is affected by such the debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include pa th spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, un the petition is not file.)	ment of this case if transfer is not less ayments and other	Indicate the name and address of the creditor, dates of payment(s) or transfers, amount paid, and amount still owing.
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C. All Debtors: List all payments made within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case to or for the benefit of creditors who are or were insiders.  (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include payments by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the recipient's name, address, and relationship, dates of payment(s), amount paic and amount still owing.
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4. Suits and administrative proceedings, executions, garnishments and attachments	-
A. List all suits and administrative proceedings to which the debtor is or was a party within one year immediately preceding the filing of this bankruptcy case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include information concerning either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the caption of the suit, case number, nature of proceeding, court and location, and the status or disposition
Case Caption and Number:	
Court and Location:	-
Status of Case:	-
Nature of Proceeding:	-
If more, list the same information for each lawsuit on the back of this page or separate page.	-
<b>B.</b> Describe all property that has been attached, garnished or seized under any legal or equitable process within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include information concerning property of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the name and address of person who whose benefit the property was seized, date of seizure and description and value of property
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5. Repossessions, foreclosures and returns	Indicate the name and address of the creditor
List all property that has been repossessed by a creditor, sold at a foreclosure sale, transferred through a deed in lieu of foreclosure or returned to the seller, within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include information concerning property of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	or seller, date of repossession, foreclosure sale, transfer or return, and description and value of property.
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6. Assignment and receiverships  A. Describe any assignment of property for the benefit of creditors made within 120 days immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include any assignment by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the name and address of the assignee, date of assignment, and terms of assignment or settlement.
B. List all property which has been in the hands of a custodian, receiver, or court-appointed official within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include information concerning property of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the name and address of the custodian, name and location of court, case title and number, date of order and description and value of property.
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7. Gifts None  List all gifts or charitable contributions made within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case except ordinary and usual gifts to family members aggregating less than \$200 in value per individual family member and charitable contributions aggregating less than \$100 per recipient. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include gifts or contributions by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the name and address of the recipient, relationship to debtor if any, date of gift, and description and value of gift.
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8. Losses  List all losses from fire, theft, other casualty or gambling within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case or since the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include losses by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the description and value of property, description of circumstances and, whether the loss was covered in whole or in part by insurance, and the date of the loss.
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9. Payments related to debt counseling or bankruptcy None  List all payments made or property transferred by or on behalf of the debtor to any persons, including attorneys, for consultation concerning debt consolidation, relief under bankruptcy law or preparation of a petition in bankruptcy within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case.	Indicate the name and address of the payee, date of payment; name of payor if other than debtor; and, the amount of money or description and value of property.
10. Other Transfers  A. List all other property, other than property transferred in the ordinary course of the business or financial affairs of the debtor transferred either absolutely or as security within two years immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include transfers by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the name and address of the transferee, relationship to the debtor, date and description of property transferred and value received.
B. List all property transferred by the debtor within ten years immediately preceding the commencement of this case to a self-settled trust or similar device of which the debtor is a beneficiary.	Indicate the name of the trust or other device date(s) of transfer(s), amount of money or description and value of property or debtor's interest in property.
11. Closed Financial Accounts  In None  List all financial accounts and instruments held in the name of the debtor or for the benefit of the debtor which were closed, sold, or otherwise transferred within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. Include checking, savings, or other financial accounts, certificates of deposit, or other instruments; shares and share accounts held in banks, credit unions, pension funds, cooperatives, associations, brokerage houses and other financial institutions. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include information concerning accounts or instruments held by or for either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)	Indicate the name and address of the institution, type and number of account and amount of final balance, and the amount and date of sale or closing.

12. Safe deposit boxes  List each safe deposit or other box or depository in which the debtor has or had securi one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors fill boxes or depositories of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, a joint petition is not filed.)	ng under ch.12 or ch.13 must include	Indicate the name and address of bank or other depository, manes and address of those with access to box or depository, description of contents, and date of transfer or surrender, if any.
13. Setoffs  List all setoffs made by any creditor, including a bank, against a debt or deposit of th the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under ch.12 or ch.13 must include both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated or	de information concerning either or	Indicate the name and address of the creditor, date of setoff and amount of setoff.
14. Property held for another person List all property owned by another person that the debtor holds or controls.	☐ None	Indicate the name and address of the owner, description and value of property, and the location of the property.
15. Prior address of debtor  If debtor has moved within three years immediately preceding the commencement of t debtor occupied during that period and vacated prior to the commencement of this ca also any separate address of either spouse.		Indicate the address, name used, and dates of occupancy.

16. Spouses and former spouses	None	Indicate the name.
If the debtor resides or resided in a community property state, commonwealth, or territory (ir California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Puerto Rico, Texas, Washington, or Wiscimmediately preceding the commencement of the case, identify the name of the debtor's spo	onsin) within eight years	
who resides or resided with the debtor in the community property state.	, ,	
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17. Environmental Information		
For the purpose of this question, the following definitions apply:		
"Environmental Law" means any federal, state, or local statute or regulation regulating pollut hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or material into the air, land, soil, surface water, grour including, but not limited to, statutes or regulations regulating the cleanup of these substances	ndwater, or other medium,	
"Site" means any location, facility, or property as defined under any Environmental Law, who formerly owned or operated by the debtor, including but not limited to, disposal sites.	ether or not presently or	
"Hazardous Material" means anything defined as hazardous waste, hazardous substance, to material, pollutant, or contaminant or similar term under an Environmental Law.	xic substance, hazardous	
A. List the name and address of every site for which the debtor has received notice in writing by a governmental unit that it may be liable or potentially liable under or in violation of an Environmental Law. Indicate the governmental unit, the date of notice, and, if known, the Environmental Law.	∪ ∐ None	Indicate the site name and address, name and address of government unit, date of notice, and if known, the environmental law.
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<b>B.</b> List the name and address of every site for which the debtor provided notice to a governmental unit of a release of Hazardous Material. Indicate the governmental unit to which the notice was sent and the date of the notice.	None	Indicate the site name and address, name and address of government unit, date of notice, and if known, the
		environmental law. 
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C. List all judicial or administrative proceedings, including settlements or orders, under any Environmental Law with respect to which the debtor is or was a party. Indicate the name and	□ None	Indicate the name and address of governmento unit, docket number, and
address of the governmental unit that is or was a party to the proceeding, and the docket number.		status or disposition.
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18. Nature, location and nar	ne of business			
the debtor was an officer, director,	partner, or managing executivo	dentification numbers, nature of the businesses e of a corporation, partnership, sole proprieto which the debtor owned 5 percent or more o	orship, or was a self employed prof	essional within the six
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Name	Taxpayer ID No.	Address	Nature of Business	Beginning & Ending Dates of Operation

18. Nature, location and name of business

None

#### **CHAPTER 13 CLIENTS**

CHAPTER 13 clients have to sign for filing the following rights and responsibilities under Chapter 13 declaration.

Name:		
Address:		
Telephone No.:		
Tax ID No.:		
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT		
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON		
In Re Tax I.D. / S.S. #: Debtor.		BANKRUPTCY NO.

# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHAPTER 13 DEBTORS AND THEIR ATTORNEY

(Consumer Case)

It is important for debtors who file a bankruptcy case under Chapter 13 to understand their rights and responsibilities. Debtors should know what their attorney's responsibilities are, and understand the importance of communicating with their attorney to make the case successful. Debtors should also know that they may expect certain services to be performed by their attorney. To assure that debtors and their attorney understand their rights and responsibilities in the bankruptcy process, the following rights and responsibilities provided by the United States Bankruptcy Court are hereby agreed to by the debtor's and their attorney. Nothing in this agreement excuses an attorney from any ethical duties or responsibilities under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9011.

#### UNLESS THE COURT ORDERS OTHERWISE,

#### The debtor shall:

- 1. Provide accurate financial information.
- Provide information in a timely manner, including recent pay and earning information and recent tax returns.
- 3. Cooperate and communicate with the attorney.
- 4. Discuss with the attorney the debtor's objectives in filing the case.
- 5. Make plan payments to the Chapter 13 Trustee beginning 30 days from the date the case is filed. The case is filed as of the date of the petition for relief first day of the case. The plan may be filed later, but the plan payments begin 30 days from the date of the petition for relief.
- 6. Appear at the § 341 meeting of creditors.
- 7. Keep the trustee and attorney informed of any changes of address and/or phone number.
- 8. Inform the attorney of any wage garnishments or attachments of assets which occur or continue after the filing of the case.
- 9. Contact the attorney promptly if the debtor loses his/her job or has other financial problems.
- 10. Let the attorney know immediately if the debtor is sued before or during the case.
- 11. Inform the attorney if any tax refunds the debtor is entitled to are seized or not returned to the debtor by the IRS or any state tax agency.
- 12. Contact the attorney before buying, refinancing, or selling real property or before entering into any long-term loan agreements as court approval may be required.
- 13. Pay any filing fees and filing expenses that may be incurred directly to the attorney.

#### The attorney shall:

- 1. Meet with the debtor to review the debtor's assets, liabilities, income and expenses.
- 2. Analyze the debtor's financial situation, and render advice to the debtor in determining whether to file a petition in bankruptcy.
- 3. Counsel the debtor regarding the advisability of filing either a ch.7 or ch.13 case, discuss both procedures with the debtor, and answer the debtor's questions.
- 4. Explain to the debtor how the attorney's fees and trustee's fees are paid.
- 5. Explain what payments will be made directly by the debtor and what payments will be made through the debtor's ch.13 plan, with particular attention to mortgage and vehicle loan payments, as well as any other claims with accrued interest.
- 6. Explain to the debtor how, when, and where to make the chapter 13 plan payments.
- 7. Explain to the debtor that the first plan payment must be made to the Trustee within 30 days of the petition for relief (not the plan) being filed.
- 8. Advise the debtor of the requirement to attend the § 341 (a) Meeting of Creditors, and instruct the debtor as to the date, time and place of the meeting.
- 9. Advise the debtor of the necessity of maintaining liability, collision and comprehensive insurance on vehicles securing loans or leases.
- 10. Render all services required, excluding adversary proceedings, necessary through the entry of the order confirming the plan and shall include, without limitation the following:
  - a. The filing of a ch.13 plan in the form required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1;
  - b. Filing with the ch.13 Trustee the ch.13 Information Sheet together with the documents required by Interim Fed.R.Bank.P. 1007;
  - c. Appearing at the § 341 Meeting of Creditors;
  - d. Responding to objections to confirmation and motions for relief from stay that are resolvable with argument before the court;
  - e. Negotiating and presenting unopposed or agreed orders assuming or rejecting leases;
  - Resolving disputes regarding the valuation of collateral or providing for pre-confirmation adequate protection payments to creditors;
  - g. Amending the initial plan as necessary to obtain an order confirming the plan;
  - h. Adding creditors to the schedules and plan;
  - i. Negotiations with the Department of Licensing;
  - j. Review of the Trustee's statement of filed clams.

It is understood that the attorney's ability and obligation to provide the services set forth above in items 2 & 10 will be impaired, and may be impossible, if the Debtors do not provide accurate and complete information, documentation and cooperation in a timely manner, and advise of any change of address, phone number and/or employment.

If the debtor disputes the legal services provided or the fees charged by the attorney, the debtor may file an objection with the court and set the matter for hearing. The attorney may move to withdraw or the debtor may discharge the attorney at any time.

We declare and certify under penalty of perjury that a copy of the foregoing was provided to the

Debtor(s) prior to the filing of the schedules and plan.

Dated:

Debtor

Debtor

Debtor

Debtor

Attorney for Debtor(s)

PLEASE SIGN THE LAST PAGE OF THE FOLLOWING ENGAGEMENT LETTER AND RETURN WITH THE WORKSHEETS. BY RETURNING THE WORKSHEETS TO OUR OFFICE, YOU HAVE AGREED TO THE TERMS OF THE ENGAGEMENT LETTER EVEN IF YOU INADVERTANTLY DON'T SEPARATELY SIGN THE LETTER AND ARE DEEMED TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ITS CONTENTS AND YOUR AGREEMENTS THERETO.

**THANK YOU** 

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#### **ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

Having discussed this matter with you, we have agreed to represent you and/or your company according to the following terms and conditions.

- 1. The value of my services, as your attorney, for partner's time is billed at \$425.00 per hour, and associate's time at \$250.00 to \$275.00 per hour [which associates may be contract attorneys that our office uses to assist in providing legal work on your case]; you will be billed on a monthly basis at the above rate for the total amount of hours rendered on your behalf or such fractional part thereof, pro-rated. Such services will include office calls, conferences, correspondences, investigation, research, travel, trial preparation, telephone calls, court appearances, and other services. Legal assistant time is billed at \$95.00 per hour or such fractional part thereof, pro-rated. Our minimum billing increment is 1/10 of an hour. These rates may change periodically, and usually on an annual basis we will review our rates, and we will notify you of any rate increase.
- In a Chapter 7 or a Chapter 13 bankruptcy case, the fees (which are still billed on an hourly basis, but see below on the Court's "no look" policy1) are generally in the area of \$1,500 (Chapter 7) to \$3,500 (Chapter 13) [which I explain more fully in my Information Sheets you received with this Agreement], since the procedure is usually standardized: we agree to assist you in preparing your bankruptcy schedules, statement of financial affairs and necessary associated documentation.<sup>2</sup> We require the full amount of our anticipated fees, which we will discuss with you, prior to filing a Chapter 7 proceeding.<sup>3</sup> There will be time set aside for reasonable review of the file, preparation for the First meeting of creditors, including review of reaffirmation agreements and creditor inquires. Note that we will review and advise you in regard to the law on Reaffirmation Agreements, the legal effect and requirement for said agreements [especially in regard to automobile loans], but as set forth in our Information Sheets which were given to you, we generally will not execute or approve Reaffirmation Agreements, for the reasons set forth in the Information Sheets, and you will need to seek court approval for them. We will advise you on how you may do that yourself. We shall appear and represent you at the Meeting of Creditors. We will also accept all phone calls and correspondence regarding your case, responding to the same as appropriate, until we are discharged. If we have agreed that you may pay the estimated fees in installments, then we can, if requested, break down our hourly charges for pre-petition and post-petition services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Bankruptcy Court and the Trustee's (Chapter 7, Chapter 11 and Chapter 13) have the authority to review all attorney's fees paid in Chapter 7, 11 and 13. These fees have to be disclosed, and when we file the proceedings, we have to tell the court how much we were paid. The court has a base standard, which is generally referred to as the "no look" fee. In other words, if I am paid a certain amount that if within the court's "no look" guidelines, the court presumes the fee to be reasonable and does not require me to separately itemize or keep track of my time on the matter. Thus, if I charge \$1,500 for a Chapter 7, that is considered an average fee for most Chapter 7 proceedings, and the court will not require me to keep track of my individual time, knowing from experience that most attorneys generally spend sufficient time on a Chapter 7 proceedings to justify \$1,500 in fees, so that the court does not "look" at those fees for scrutiny. The same with Chapter 13 — the court has determined that \$3,500 is the "no look" fee for Chapter 13, based on thousands of cases filed in the court, and that is what we charge for a Chapter 13. If, however, your case has extraordinary problems, non-discharge disputes, creditor or Trustee objections, or other matters that are generally not expected or routine, we do keep track of our time on these extraordinary matters, and we do seek to have the Court allow additional fees over and above the Court's "no look" fee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> However, we do not conduct an independent investigation of your assets and liabilities. It is your responsibility to list all of your creditors and to obtain their addresses; it is also your responsibility to list all of your assets and their values. We do not hire appraisers for your assets, nor do we run any independent credit checks on you to "find" out who your creditors are. We therefore cannot second guess you on your bankruptcy, and the information you provide us must be complete.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Because of interpretations of Section 727 relating to discharge by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, all fees for a Chapter 7 bankruptcy must be paid in advance of filing. However, for your information, on our Chapter 7 fees, we generally allocate 60% of our fee estimate to pre-bankruptcy services [preparing the schedules, meeting with clients, filing the proceedings, etc.] and 40% of our fee to post-filing services [such as attending the creditors meeting, dealing with creditors phone calls, working with the trustee, etc.]. In a Chapter 13, we require a minimum of \$1500 (plus filing fee) at the time of signing the paperwork, and the balance before filing, but we may under special circumstances put the balance of our fees in the Chapter 13 Plan.

- 3. The hourly rate for these services, assuming your case is uncontested, should not be in excess of the estimated "flat fee" of \$1,500 \$3,500 as we will discuss. If the matter becomes contested after the filing, we will bill you at the hourly rate set forth above for the time expended. This will include representing you in adversary proceedings filed after the bankruptcy is filed, such as by a creditor who files a complaint objecting to the discharge of their debt, or a proceeding by the trustee or US Trustee objecting to your discharge or Bankruptcy. These subsequent adversary proceedings are not included in the "no look" fee, and will be billed separately if you desire to retain our services for these separate lawsuits. This retainer agreement does not include our obligation to represent you in any adversary proceedings. In addition, for us to put in an appearance in any adversary action, we will need a subsequent retainer, and we can discuss the estimated fees and costs that will be incurred depending upon the nature of the adversary proceeding.
  - a. Fee Earned Upon Receipt ("flat fee"). It is agreed that, in consideration of work performed prior to the date of this Agreement and the reservation of our time to properly handle your case through conclusion for the services outlined herein, the full "flat" fee we agree to is deemed earned when paid, and we may immediately deposit the full fee into our general operating account under RPC 1.5 and 1.15A, and not into our trust account. However, to the extent any portion of the amount paid is deemed not earned, you may be entitled to a refund of a portion of the fee if the agreed-upon legal services have not been completed. Also, even though this is an initial flat fee, this agreement does not alter your rights to terminate the client-lawyer relationship. Should you change your mind about representation and the filing of a bankruptcy, the "no look flat fee" does not extinguish the possibility that you may, or may not, have the right to a partial refund, for example, to the extent time billed is less than the fee paid when you changed your mind.
- 4. If your case is a Chapter 11 bankruptcy matter, the fee will be computed and generally charged at the hourly rate of \$425.00, which may be adjusted depending on the complexity and nature of the services to be rendered, which we will discuss. The same services as mentioned in the paragraphs above will be provided to you in addition to the requirements of Chapter 11, including the preparation and filing of a Disclosure Statement and Plan of Reorganization. However, because of strict requirements regarding attorneys fees in a Chapter 11 reorganization proceeding, it is required that we receive a \$3,500 initial fee to cover all our fees prior to the filing of the Ch. 11, including meetings with you, calls to your creditors (example: mortgage companies if there is a pending foreclosure), preparation of the initial filing papers, schedules, etc. That is estimated to be about 8 - 10 hours of work. In addition prior to the commencement of the case, we require a deposit for post-filing fees in the Ch. 11, and our general retainer is \$7,500 (plus the court filing fee), for small business and individual Chapter 11s; and \$15,000.00 & up for public or complex Chapter 11s. This post-filing retainer will be held in trust and cannot be drawn on without court permission. (which is required in Ch. 11's.). All of our fees, however, are shown on a blended billing statement that you will get each month showing the services we have performed, the amounts you have paid, and the balances [even if we cannot actually draw on those balances until the court approves it.]
- 5. It is agreed that, in consideration of work to be performed and the reservation of our time to properly handle your case through conclusion, the fee may be deposited into our general operating account. To the extent any portion of the amount paid is deemed not earned at a later time, you are entitled to a refund of that portion reasonably allocated to the unearned portion of the fee paid. However, we agree that additional billings on your matter shall not be charged until we have performed services (if separately billed at our hourly rate set forth above) in excess of the retainer paid. If additional services are required to be rendered by us in representing you, in other than Chapter 11 proceedings, then we will ask that you deposit into our client Trust Account the amount so billed to you each month. Since fees during Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases may only be paid to the attorney for the debtor pursuant to an Order of the court, I must note for hearing and obtain an order of the court for you to pay fees, so you will be notified if I make this request. Also, if we do file a Chapter 11 on your behalf, then the retainer paid may be considered a Security Retainer, pursuant to local bankruptcy court rules. You will be advised of all such applications to the court; and you will note that bankruptcy rules require us to disclose not only the initial retainer paid, but also any further deposits into trust that may be made during the proceeding.
- 6. You, the client, will pay all costs associated with and incurred by me, the attorney, in handling this matter, which costs may also be subject to approval and allowance by the Bankruptcy Court. I will advise you when these costs are. Such costs may include, but shall not be limited to, filing and service of process fees, costs of depositions or other discovery, expert fees, copying costs, long distance phone charges, etc. Your monthly statement will include an itemization of all such costs incurred. If a major

cost is contemplated to be incurred, such as a deposition or consultation with an expert, I will advise you of the need for the expenditure and will make no such expenditure until I have obtained your consent. You understand that I may advance costs on your behalf, but that the primary and ultimate responsibility for payment of costs is on you.

- 7. At the end of each month, I will send you a statement showing serviced rendered if the matter is an hourly matter, and not covered by the flat fee or "no look" fee paid. If fees and/or costs exceed the balance of your account in matters other than under Chapter 11, you should immediately pay the balance. It is required that once the services have been performed for which we agreed under the initial retainer, that you pay our bill in full each month, even though said payment may be held in trust as stated above, or subject to other restrictions under local bankruptcy court rules. We will also disclose any such payment to the court, as required by local bankruptcy rules. If any bill is not paid in full, and if our outstanding unpaid fees exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00), we may apply to the court to withdraw from further representation in your case.
- 8. At the close of the case, or at the close of our attorney/client relationship, and except as relating to flat fees that for which the services have been performed, I will refund to you all monies you paid which remain in the Trust Account, less an amount representing all unreimbursed costs and unpaid fees at my hourly rate. If an insufficient amount remains for such payment, you will immediately make up the difference. A 1.0% per month charge will be added to any outstanding balances exceeding 30 days in arrears; however, late charges and interest will not accrue during the pendency of Chapter 11 proceedings, and interest is generally not allowed by the Bankruptcy Court during the pendency of a proceeding.
- 9. You understand and agree that I have not made, nor will I make, any guarantees regarding the outcome of your case. If I find it does not appear you have timely paid any fees due, or if we reach different opinions as to handling the case, I shall have the right to cancel this agreement and withdraw from your case after we have consulted on the matter. In such event, you will owe for any costs incurred on your behalf that remain unpaid. Such sums will be due immediately upon termination of this contract.
- 10. You shall have at all times the right to terminate my services upon written notice to that effect. I shall have at all times the right to terminate my services upon written notice, so that you may obtain other counsel, in the event that you either: (1) fail to cooperate with any reasonable request, (2) fail to timely pay the monthly statements, or (3) should I determine that to continue my services would be unethical or impractical. However, termination in a bankruptcy proceeding will normally require a motion to the court for permission to withdraw from the case, and an order of the court approving the withdrawal.
- 11. You agree that you will fully cooperate with me and supply me with all information that I deem necessary to handle your case and in supplying costs when required by me. Our firm agrees to devote our full professional abilities to handling your case and to keep you informed of its progress on a regular basis. You agree to provide us with your contact information for up to three years after your case closes, in the event we receive further mail or other information regarding your case.
- 12. You hereby grant me a lien on any and all causes of action, any proceeds or any judgment for sums due for fees, costs and/or disbursements. You authorize me, with full power of substitution, to act for you, in your name, to receive any monies or other properties to which you are entitled and this agreement shall operate as an assignment to me to the extent of any obligations to me, of any money, property, judgment, or the proceeds thereof, to which you may be entitled. These rights, however, may not be enforceable in a bankruptcy case without notice and order from the court, but would generally apply in all non-bankruptcy proceedings.
- 13. You agree to pay a reasonable attorney's fee and costs of collection in the event any action is necessary to collect any fees, costs or disbursements through a collection agency or otherwise. You further agree to consent to venue in Seattle District Court or King County Superior Court of the State of Washington, at my election. Also, any unpaid bill will accrue interest at 12% per annum until paid in full.
- 14. You have read this agreement, understand its terms, have received a copy, and have agreed to abide by its terms and conditions. There are no other written or oral agreements between us.
- 15. Fee sharing. If you were referred to my office by another attorney, it is hereby disclosed that some of the fees that are charged may be paid to the referring attorney only for the services they perform, and they will not be paid or share in the compensation paid by you to me. I do not increase my fees when a matter is referred to me by another attorney, as I might consult with them about the referral and the case, and they may have earned or bill for some of the total fees billed, which reduces the fees paid to me but does not increase the fees charged to you. In other words, they are being paid for their services, and I am being paid for my services. It is understood that the referring attorney may have

given you legal advice and then decided to refer the matter to me for further services or joint services; but each attorney maintains their own respective law practices. In addition, in some instances I may not be available to attend a hearing or meeting with you, but I may (or will) arrange for another attorney to attend the hearing or meeting (such as the trustee §341 meeting) so that you are not unrepresented, and any costs/fees for that matter is included in the attorney fees you have paid me, and there will be no additional charge to you; and that attorney will be paid for their services from the total compensation you have paid. Again, they are being paid for their services and I am being paid for my services, and it will not increase the total fees agreed to. You consent to this association by execution of this agreement. We also may use contract attorneys in our office to assist in your case. They are paid by our office and not by you, to assist in preparation of legal pleadings, research, motions and other matters. As set forth above, they are usually billed at a lower rate than Mr. Feinstein, usually at \$250 to \$275 hour, depending on their own experience and the work performed.

16. Files: All files generated by my office, including correspondence, pleadings, memorandums, etc. will be copied to you for you to maintain as your file in this matter. Copies kept by my office of correspondence, pleadings, etc. are my files. If you deliver any original documents to my office, those shall remain yours, and I will normally copy those originals and return the originals to you, unless they are needed as an exhibit in the case. If you terminate my services, or after the matter for which we are engaged is completed, you are entitled to any original documents you delivered to my office. However, the "client file" that I have in my office is my file and it will not be turned over to you, as you will have been copied on a regular basis everything in that file, as your file on this matter. If you engage another attorney, please give that attorney a copy of your file, as you will or should have a duplicate of virtually everything that I have. I keep my files, after my services have been terminated or completed, for about three years, and then I dispose of my "dead" files. It is imperative that you keep your file for as long as you deem necessary, which may be more than three years. Promptly inform me if you need another copy of anything that I have in my file after the matter is competed or after my services are discharged, since you will not be specifically contacted at a later point in time to inform you that I am disposing of my file on this matter.

#### 17. Conflicts.

- a. It is inherent in a small business corporate case that the owner of the corporation and the corporation itself may have similar and may have separate goals. A good example of this is a corporate debt which is guaranteed by the owner. The owner may want to pay that guaranteed debt, wherein it may or may not be in the best interest of the corporation to pay the debt in full in a Plan. If I am engaged to represent the corporation, I have and do herein advise the owners to obtain their own legal counsel during the proceeding. However, I will take my directions from the management of the corporation, and I will advise management when I think that they are instructing me to perform legal services that are not in the corporation's best interest. Accordingly, I require that the corporation and its owners waive any potential conflict of interest, and understand that my duty runs to my client; and if that client is a corporation, then any conflicts for legal services to be performed must be resolved by me in favor of my client, and the owners will again be advised to seek separate counsel.
- b. Another potential conflict arises when you may want a referral during your proceeding to refinance your home. I have dealt with several lenders over time that provide mortgage broker services to debtors, to try to get them the best rates possible in financing or refinancing their home or automobile. I don't receive any payment or remuneration from them for these referrals, but they are part of the "bankruptcy networking" between many debtor's attorneys, lenders, and brokers to help people through the process. On occasion, I also do "creditor" representation in bankruptcy matters [such as relief from stay], and have been asked to represent these lenders in bankruptcy proceedings. Even though I will not represent them in any finance/refinance with you, and they all have their own regular attorneys, I want to disclose to you that if you ask for a referral to a mortgage lender or broker, I may give you names of companies that perform these services that I have used successfully with other clients (or I wouldn't recommend them!) and you are not obligated to contact them, or use their services. I merely provide leads for your own use, and if you do use any of these contacts, you WAIVE any conflict that might exist since I may have represented them sometime in the past.
- 18. Further, my duty under the Rules of Professional Conduct is to my client, you. If my fees or retainer is paid by a third party on your behalf, please make sure to advise them that this creates no obligation or duty from me to them and I will only be representing you in this proceedings. This is very common in corporate bankruptcies when the owners have to advance or loan funds to the company to pay my retainer; or in individual cases when fees are paid or advanced from family members. I am not representing them or their interests, and before they loan you the money, they may need to obtain their

own legal advice to protect their interests in your proceedings, as I will not be able to give them that advice. Please discuss this with me if this is your situation, as there are strict rules on representation, regardless of who pays the fees.

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DATED this day of	, 2015.
THIS AGREEMENT IS APPROVED BY BOTH PARTIES.	
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/s/ Larry B. Feinstein	
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Larry B. Feinstein, Attorney	
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principal, and I have a financial stake in the client, and I unconditionally guarantee that all attorney's fees will notices of default and the right to cure. If I have retail LLC and this is for a Chapter 11 reorganization, I acknowledge the corporation, and this Guarantee does not conflict arises, you have informed me that I should retain reorganizations proceeding. This guarantee, as such,	nowledge that your duty is solely and only for the ot create a conflict of interest on your behalf; if a ain my own counsel to represent me in the business' will only be enforceable if the business' Chapter 11 is oration, partnership or LLC has outstanding but unpaid zes, then you will be paid from the distributions of the
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