



NOTICE TO PUBLIC AND ATTORNEYS PRACTICING IN THE BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

BANKRUPTCY FEE, FORM AND RULE CHANGES EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2014

On April 25, 2014, the Supreme Court approved amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. At its September, 2014 session, the Judicial Conference approved fee and form changes. These amendments and changes are outlined below and will become effective December 1, 2014.

Rule Changes

The amendments to the bankruptcy rules address the following: 1) petitions involving the same debtors filed in different courts; 2) time limits for serving a summons and complaint; 3) general pleadings and judgments and costs; 4) bankruptcy appeals; and 5) new trials and relief from a judgment or order.

The amended rules are located at: <http://www.uscourts.gov/RulesAndPolicies/rules/pending-rules.aspx>

Form Changes

Several official forms will be updated to address the amended rules. A complete list of the revised forms and instructions is posted at:

<http://www.uscourts.gov/FormsAndFees/Forms/BankruptcyForms/BankruptcyFormsPendingChanges.aspx>

Fee Changes

A new fee of \$25 per affected case will be charged for filing a motion to redact a previously filed record. The fee is applicable to both open and closed cases.

Upon notice from the court of appeals that a direct appeal or cross-appeal has been authorized, a fee of \$207 will be due.