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The Bankruptcy Court is closed today, Veterans Day.

WEBSITE MAKEOVER HAS ARRIVED. It is still a work in progress, however. If you have questions or comments, please click on [Contact Us](#) at the bottom of the home page, which allows you to send an email message.

Recent Opinions

No new opinions have been posted since last week's summary.

There are two ways to find opinions on the redesigned website. For recent opinions listed by name and date, most recent to oldest, see the last line of text on the home page, "Check the [Opinions](#) for current decisions and rulings." If you click on this [Opinions](#), a list of recent opinions will be displayed.

There is another place on the home page to click [Opinions](#): the last item in the column headed "Information for Attorneys." Clicking here takes you to a place where you can search, by keyword, opinions from the past several years. Warning: this part of the site is still being developed – the search system at this point is primitive.

NEW ITEMS:

ECF Tips and Tricks

This portion of the website was updated on August 11, 2008, and the update was unfortunately overlooked by your reporter until now.

ECF Online Manuals

Two items under "Answers, Responses/Objections" show current updates: Answer to Complaint (12/15/08) and Involuntary Answer (10/28/08).

PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED ITEMS:

The following is a summary of items added in the past several weeks.

Local Bankruptcy Forms

Several LBFs have been updated for use by December 1, 2008. Click on "10/31/08 - Local Form (LBF) Updates" under **Court News & Announcements** on the home page. You can then view all forms, recently updated forms, or all forms in a category such as General, Creditor, Debtor, Adversary/Contested, etc.

Updated forms required by **December 1, 2008**: B10, 391, 521.05, 720.50, 753.40, 760.5, 1191.3, and 1355.05. Updated forms required as of **October 15, 2008**: 345, 717.20, 1195, 1214 and 1307.

ECF Training

Lawyers get 4 CLE credits for ECF training. Sessions run from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. The currently scheduled training dates are as follows: Portland and Eugene: November 19 and December 18, 2008; January 14 and February 12, 2009.

Court Fees List

A new court fees list was posted on the website on October 10, showing fee changes effective October 1.

FEATURES OF THE NEW SITE:

Organization

The site is now organized into the following categories: **Information for Attorneys, Information for Debtors, Information for Creditors**, and **Court News and Announcements**. The last heading is where recent changes are posted.

But there's more. Directly above the large-type headings just described are several clickable smaller headings: **Filing, Rules & Forms, Calendars, ECF, Judges, and Courthouses**. And at the bottom of the home page, are "Other Important Resources": [FAQ](#), [Helpful Links](#), [Judicial Misconduct](#) and [Opinions](#), this last described above. Finally, words at the bottom of the home page provide access to other information, including whether there are any current job openings. Here is where you will find the [Contact Us](#) option.

Calendars

Under **Information for Attorneys**, there is access to several calendars: dates for chapter 7 and 13 Relief from Stay hearings through the end of the year in Portland and Eugene; §341(a) meetings; and Judges' Calendars. For §341(a) meetings, you can locate your own by entering the name of the lawyer, trustee, or case name or number, or you can simply fill in a date range and click on "Generate Calendar." For [Judges' Calendars](#), search for a specific case or search by date, date range, judge, hearing type or attorney. Selecting only a date range and an office (Portland or Eugene) will generate a full list for the selected date(s) and office.

Information for Debtors and Creditors

The site contains helpful information for debtors and frequent bankruptcy creditors. The **Information for Debtors** heading on the main page takes the potential or actual debtor to appropriate frequently asked questions (and answers). Under **Information for Creditors**, the creditor can find answers to creditor-appropriate FAQ, as well as ECF and PACER help.

Debtor-Creditor Section Website

An archive of these court updates is maintained on the Debtor-Creditor Section website at <http://www.osb-dc.org/orb.htm>.