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## **NEW ITEMS:**

### **Court Closure**

The court will be closed on Friday, December 25, in observance of the holiday.

### **Local Bankruptcy Rules**

The court has posted updated LBRs effective January 1, 2010, on the website in clean and redline/strikeout versions. Both versions begin with a summary of changes from the previous set of adopted local rules. Click on either **Rules and Forms** on the top bar, then Local Bankruptcy Rules, or "12/21/09 - New Local Bankruptcy Rules" under **Court News & Announcements** on the home page to access both versions.

Under the new rules, filers are required to file reaffirmation agreements using Official Form #B240A. The court will discontinue LBF #718.5 on January 1, 2010. The court asks that you begin using the new form immediately but recognizes that many reaffirmation agreements are in progress using old forms. Therefore it will continue for a few weeks to accept reaffirmation agreements using either Official Form #B240A or LBF #718.5.

### **Local Rules Committee**

The Debtor-Creditor Section has reestablished a Local Rules Committee to review and discuss new local rules and forms on an ongoing basis. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact either Dave Hercher, [dave.hercher@millernash.com](mailto:dave.hercher@millernash.com), or Tom Renn, [thomas.renn@7trustee.net](mailto:thomas.renn@7trustee.net).

## **PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED ITEMS:**

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

### **Local Forms**

New and updated local forms, now required to be used, are posted on the website. Click on Rules and Forms on the top bar, then on "Local Bankruptcy Forms (LBF)." The following LBFs have been updated: ADV, INDEX, 541, 718.5, 720.80, 720.90, 721, 728, 753.40, 760.5, 1114, and 1190. The following are new LFBs: 1317, 1317.3, and 1317.5.

### **Official Forms**

Exhibit D has been updated and a new Official Form B27 replaces LBF 718.05. The court will accept LBF 718.05 after December 1, 2009, but asks that you begin using form OBF B27 instead. Click on **Rules and Forms** on the top bar, then on "Official National Bankruptcy Forms (e.g., Petition & Schedule) (OBF)," to go to the US Courts Bankruptcy Forms page, then click on Part I to find Exhibit D and form B27.

### **New Links**

The website has two new links under **Information for Attorneys**: [OSB Debtor-Creditor Website](#) (a variety of helpful information) and [Useful Contact Information](#) (telephone numbers and guidance for contacting the court, chapter 13 trustees' offices, US Trustee's office and chapter 7 trustees).

### **ECF Online Manuals**

Three updated ECF procedures have been posted. Click on ECF on the top bar, then on "Using ECF," then on "Manuals." "Attorney Creditor Manual" and "Creditor Manual (Non-Attorney)," both under Creditor, and "Reaffirmation Agreements," under Miscellaneous, were all updated December 1, 2009.

### **ECF Training**

Currently scheduled training dates for **Eugene and Portland** are: January 13, February 25 and March 17, 2010. Lawyers get 4 CLE credits for ECF training. Sessions run from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. **The Clerk's office will add ECF classes if there is sufficient demand.**

### **Message from Clerks Office**

Please do not modify the fixed text in a local bankruptcy form (LBRs 1001.1.F. and G.)! If adequate room does not exist in any area, attachment pages may be added to the end of the form for inclusion of essential text.

**Debtor-Creditor Section Website**

An archive of these court updates is maintained on the Debtor-Creditor Section website at <http://osb-dc.org/orb.htm>. The link on the Bankruptcy Court site is under Information for Attorneys.