PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE

Interim Rule 1007. Lists, Schedules, and Statements, and Other Documents; Time Limits¹

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2	(b) SCHEDULES, STATEMENTS, AND OTHER
3	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED.
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5	(3) Unless the United States trustee has determined
6	that the credit counseling requirement of § 109(h) does not
7	apply in the district, an individual debtor must file the
8	certificate and debt repayment plan, if any, required by §
9	521(b), a certification under § 109(h)(3), or a request for a
10	determination by the court under § 109(h)(4). a statement of
11	compliance with the credit counseling requirement, prepared

¹ The amendments are proposed to Interim Rule 1007. Therefore, the underlined additions and the strikeout deletions are to the Interim Rule adopted by the courts on or about October 17, 2005, and not to the existing national rule. This amendment is intended to operate along with the adoption of the amendments to Official Form 1, the voluntary petition, set out in Part II.D.2 of this report.

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12	as prescribed by the appropriate Official Form which must
13	include one of the following:
14	(A) an attached certificate and debt repayment
15	plan, if any, required by § 521(b);
16	(B) a statement that the debtor has received the
17	credit counseling briefing required by § 109(h)(1) but does
18	not have the certificate required by § 521(b);
19	(C) a certification under § 109(h)(3); or
20	(D) a request for a determination by the court
21	under § 109(h)(4).
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23	(c) TIME LIMITS. In a voluntary case, the schedules,
24	and statements, and other documents required by subdivision
25	(b)(1), (4), (5), and (6) shall be filed with the petition or
26	within 15 days thereafter, except as otherwise provided in
27	subdivisions (d), (e), (f), and (h) of this rule. In an
28	involuntary case, the list in subdivision (a)(2), and the

schedules, statements, and other documents required by
subdivision (b)(1) shall be filed by the debtor within 15 days
of the entry of the order for relief. The documents required
by subdivision (b)(3) shall be filed with the petition in a
voluntary case. The statement required by subdivision (b)(7)
shall be filed by the debtor within 45 days after the first date
set for the meeting of creditors under § 341 of the Code in a
chapter 7 case, and no later than the last payment made by the
debtor as required by the plan or the filing of a motion for
entry of a discharge under § 1328(b) in a chapter 13 case.
The statement required by subdivision (b)(8) shall be filed by
the debtor not earlier than the date of the last payment made
under the plan or the date of the filing of a motion for entry
of a discharge under §§ 1141(d)(5)(B), 1228(b), or 1328(b).
In a voluntary case, the documents required by paragraphs
(A), (C), and (D) of subdivision (b)(3) shall be filed with the
petition. Unless the court orders otherwise, if the debtor has

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filed a statement under subdivision (b)(3)(B), the documents
required by subdivision (b)(3)(A) shall be filed within 15
days of the order for relief. In a chapter 7 case, the debtor
shall file the statement required by subdivision (b)(7) within
45 days after the first date set for the meeting of creditors
under § 341 of the Code, and in a chapter 13 case no later
than the date when the last payment was made by the debtor
as required by the plan or the filing of a motion for a
discharge under § 1328(b). The debtor shall file the
statement required by subdivision (b)(8) no earlier than the
date of the last payment made under the plan or the date of
the filing of a motion for a discharge under §§ 1141(d)(5)(B),
1228(b), or 1328(b) of the Code. Lists, schedules, statements,
and other documents filed prior to the conversion of a case to
another chapter shall be deemed filed in the converted case
unless the court directs otherwise. Except as provided in §
1116(3) of the Code, any extension of time for the filing of

the schedules, statements, and other documents required under this rule may be granted only on motion for cause shown and on notice to the United States trustee, and to any committee elected under § 705 or appointed under § 1102 of the Code, trustee, examiner, or other party as the court may direct. Notice of an extension shall be given to the United States trustee and to any committee, trustee, or other party as the court may direct.

COMMITTEE NOTE

Subdivision (b)(3) of the rule is amended to require the debtor to file an Official Form relating to the credit counseling requirement provided by the 2005 amendments to § 109. Official Form 1 includes statements that warn the debtor of the consequences of failing to comply with the credit counseling requirement. The rule also provides that the debtor may file a statement that the debtor has received credit counseling but has not yet received a certificate from the credit counseling provider. Subdivision (c) is amended to permit the debtor to file the certificate and debt repayment plan within 15 days after the filing of the petition if a Rule 1007(b)(3)(B) statement is filed.

Other changes are stylistic.