# **Appeal of a PBGC Benefit Determination**

PBGC Form 724 Approved OMB 1212-0061 Expires 1/31/2010

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## For assistance, call 1-800-400-7242 ext. 4090

As a recipient of a PBGC benefit determination, you have the right to appeal PBGC's determination of your benefit if you can provide a specific reason why the determination is wrong. If you simply have a question about your benefit or how it was calculated, you should call PBGC's Customer Contact Center at 1-800-400-7242. You have **45 calendar days** from the date on PBGC's determination letter to submit an appeal. If you need more time to prepare your appeal, you must request an extension from the Appeals Division before the 45-calendar-day limit expires. You may file an appeal by using this form or by sending a letter, e-mail or fax that includes the information requested on this form. If you use this form, please use dark ink and be sure to print clearly. Mail this form, and copies of appropriate documents, to the address shown on page 2. If you have questions about the appeals process, please refer to PBGC's brochure *Your Right to Appeal*, or call the Appeals Division at 1-800-400-7242 ext. 4090.

#### **1. Appellant Information** (Specify one)

Participant   Ber	neficiary of a Decease	Alternate Payee					
Last Name			First Name				
Middle Name							
Social Security Number	Date of Birth (mm/dd/	уууу)	Gender MALE				
			FEMALE 🗆				
Mailing Address	Apartment / Route Number						
City		State	Zip Code				
Country	E-mail (optional)						
Daytime Phone EXTENSION			Evening Phone				
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### 2. Plan Information

Plan Name											
PBGC Case Number											
	Determination Letter you are appealing			1			1				
(You must submit this form no later than 45 calendar days from the date on the Benefit Determination Letter)				(mm/dd/yyyy)							

#### 3. Why do you believe PBGC's benefit determination is incorrect? (Use additional pages, if necessary.)

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# 4. Do you have documents to support your appeal (for example, plan pension calculation sheets or letters from the plan or company officials)?

YES (Please submit only a copy of the document(s)—do not send originals.)

NO 🗆

5.	Authorized Representative Information (if any) If you are representing the Appellant identified in Item 1, select
	the correct box below and complete the remaining information.

□ An attorney representing the Appellant

□ A spouse, family member, or other person assisting the Appellant with this appeal If you have not already sent PBGC an original notarized power of attorney signed by the Appellant giving you the authority to act on the Appellant's behalf, you must submit one with this form.

Last Name		Fir	rst Name		
Middle Name	Other Name(s) Used	) Used			
Mailing Address	Apartment / Route Number				
City	State Zip Code				
Country	E-mail (optional)				
Daytime Phone EXTENSION Evening Phone					
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6. Signature of Appellant or Authorized Representative – You must sign and date this request. Knowingly and willfully making false, fictitious or fraudulent statements to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation is a crime punishable under Title 18, Section 1001, United States Code. I declare under penalty of perjury that all of the information I have provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE

DATE

**HOW TO FILE**: You may either mail this completed form, any additional pages, copies of supporting documents (if any), and a power of attorney (if required—see item 5), to:

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Attention: Appeals Division Post Office Box 151750 Alexandria, VA 22315-1750

or, you may fax your appeal to the Appeals Division at (202) 326-4095 or (202) 326-4091. You may file your appeal by e-mail to **appeals@pbgc.gov** provided you answer all of the questions on this form in your e-mail.

The Appeals Division will acknowledge your correspondence within one week of receipt. If you have any questions, call the Appeals Division at 1-800-400-7242 ext. 4090.

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