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IN RE:

Filene's Basement, Inc. Debtor(s).

Chapter 11

Case No. 09-11525 (MFW)

Notice Of Formation Meeting For Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors

The above-named debtor(s) filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. Section 1102(b) of the Bankruptcy Code authorizes the United States Trustee to appoint a committee of unsecured creditors and the debtor's petition or other sources of information indicate that you may be eligible for appointment to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in this case.

This is to notify you that the United States Trustee will hold a meeting to form an unsecured creditors; committee on **Tuesday**, **May 12**, **2009 (a) 1:30 p.m.** at the following location:

J. Caleb Boggs Federal Building 844 King Street, Room 5209 Wilmington, DE 19801

A representative of the debtor will attend the meeting to provide information regarding the status of the case. If you wish to be considered for membership on any official committee that is appointed, please complete the enclosed Questionnaire Form and return it to the Office of the United States Trustee **no later than May 11**, **2009 (a) 5:00 p.m.**. If you do not wish to serve on an official committee, your presence at the meeting is not required.

If you wish to be considered for membership on the committee but are unable to attend, you should immediately notify the Office of the United States Trustee. If you do not attend the meeting and do not affirmatively indicate your willingness to serve, you will not be considered. If you send an individual to represent you at the meeting, that representative must present your written proxy authorizing him or her to act on your behalf. The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors performs a vital role in the chapter 11 proceeding, and for that reason your interest and consideration is solicited.

ROBERTA A. DEANGELIS ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE

/s/ Jane M. Leamy for

WILLIAM K. HARRINGTON ASSISTANT UNITED STATES TRUSTEE

Dated: May 6, 2009

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Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Committee Information Sheet

Purpose of Unsecured Creditors' Committees. To increase participation in the chapter 11 proceeding, section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code requires that the United States Trustee appoint a committee of unsecured creditors (the "Committee") as soon as practicable after the order for relief has been entered. The Committee ordinarily consists of the persons, willing to serve, who hold the seven (7) largest unsecured claims of the kinds represented on such committee. The debtor has filed a list indicating that your claim may be among the largest unsecured claims against the debtor, and for that reason, you may be eligible to serve on the Committee. There must be at least three (3) unsecured creditors willing to serve in order to form the Committee.

Powers and Duties of Unsecured Creditors' Committees. Members of the Committee are fiduciaries who represent all unsecured creditors as a group without regard to the types of claims which individual unsecured creditors hold against the debtor. Section 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that the Committee may consult with the debtor, investigate the debtor and its business operations and participate in the formulation of a plan of reorganization. The Committee may also perform such other services as are in the interests of the unsecured creditors whom it represents.

Employment of Professionals. Section 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that the Committee may, subject to the bankruptcy court's approval, employ one or more attorneys, accountants or other professionals to represent or perform services for the Committee. The decision to employ particular professionals should occur at a scheduled meeting of the Committee where a majority of the Committee is present. All professionals retained by the Committee may be compensated from assets of the debtor's estate pursuant to section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code. Applications for the payment of professional fees may be monitored by the Office of the United States Trustee and are subject to the Court's approval. However, the Committee should carefully review all applications and not rely on the Court or the United States Trustee to discover and object to excessive professional fees or costs.

Other Matters - The Committee should elect a chairperson and may adopt bylaws. As a party in interest, the Committee may be heard on any issue in the bankruptcy proceeding. Federal Bankruptcy Rule 2002(i) requires that the Committee (or its authorized agent) receive all notices concerning motions and hearings in the bankruptcy proceeding.

In the event you are appointed to an official committee of creditors, the United States Trustee may require periodic certifications of your claims while the bankruptcy case is pending. Creditors wishing to serve as fiduciaries on any official committee are advised that they may not purchase, sell or otherwise trade in or transfer claims against the Debtor while they are committee members absent an order of the Court. By submitting the enclosed Questionnaire and accepting membership on an official committee of creditors, you agree to this prohibition. The United States Trustee reserves the right to take appropriate action, including removing a creditor from any committee, if the information provided in the Questionnaire is inaccurate, if the foregoing prohibition is violated, or for any other reason the United States Trustee believes is proper in the exercise of her discretion. You are hereby notified that the United States Trustee may share this information with the Securities and Exchange Commission if deemed appropriate.

Should you have any additional questions concerning the Committee or your membership on the Committee, please contact the Office of the United States Trustee.

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS

Filene's Basement, Inc. 09-11525 (MFW)

Please Type or Print Clearly.

	I am wi	illing to serve on a Committee of Unsecured Creditors.	Yes () No ()
A.	Unsecu	red Creditor's Name and Contact Information:	
Name: Addres			Phone: Fax: E-mail:
B.	Counse	el (If Any) for Creditor and Contact Information:	
Name: Addres			Phone: Fax: E-mail:
C.	Amount	t of Unsecured Claim (U.S. \$)	
D.	If your claim is against more than one debtor, list all debtors:		
Е.	Describe the nature of your claim(s), i.e., whether arising from goods or services provided; loans made; litigation; etc., including whether any portion is secured. If any portion of the claim(s) arise from litigation, please state the nature of the claim, the case number and jurisdiction (if applicable) and the status.		
F.	Amount of Unsecured Claim entitled to 11 U.S.C. §503(b) treatment as an administrative expense:		
G.	Represe	entations:	
	1.	Are you or the company you represent in any way: "aff	iliated" with any of the debtors within the

- Are you or the company you represent in any way: "affiliated" with any of the debtors within the meaning of Section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, a shareholder of, or related to the debtor(s)?
 Yes () No () If a shareholder, state the number of shares: ______
- 2. Do you, or the company you represent, engage in a business which directly or indirectly competes with any of the businesses of the debtor(s)? Yes () No ()

- 3. Have you ever been or are you an officer, director, agent, representative or employee of the debtor(s)? Yes () No () Does your claim arise from this relationship? Yes () No ()
- 4. Did you acquire any portion of your unsecured claim after the bankruptcy filing? Yes () No () If so, set forth the date(s) acquired, the amount paid and the face amount of the claim:
- 5. Have you made a UCC §2-702 reclamation claim? Yes () No ()
- 6. Have you or your attorney entered into a settlement agreement with the debtor regarding resolution of your claim? Yes () No ()
- 8. Do you or any affiliated entities have any other claims against and/or debt or equity securities of the debtor(s)? Yes () No ()
 - A. Do you or any affiliated entities have any financial arrangement that may affect the value of your claim(s) against or interest(s) in the debtor(s)? Yes () No ()

Description of Claims, Debt And/or Equity Securities/Other Financial Arrangement	Amount

- 9. If you are represented by counsel, does your attorney represent any other parties in this bankruptcy case? Yes () No () I do not know ()
- 10. If you have given a proxy to a third party either to represent you at the creditors' committee formation meeting, or in connection with your claim, please attach a copy of the written proxy.

You may attach a written statement to explain or respond to any responses.

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I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the answers to this Questionnaire are true and correct. By executing this questionnaire, you agree to provide the periodic certifications referenced in the prior paragraph to the United States Trustee if the United States Trustee so requests.

Date: _____

Signature

Print Name

Title

Note: This is not a proof of claim form. Proof of claim forms are filed with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, not with the United States Trustee.