

Official Form 17
(12/04)

United States Bankruptcy Court

_____ District Of _____

In re _____,
Debtor

Case No. _____

Chapter _____

[Caption as in Form 16A, 16B, or 16D, as appropriate]

NOTICE OF APPEAL

_____, the plaintiff *[or defendant or other party]* appeals under 28 U.S.C. § 158(a) or (b) from the judgment, order, or decree of the bankruptcy judge (describe) entered in this adversary proceeding *[or other proceeding, describe type]* on the _____ day of _____, _____ (month) (year).

The names of all parties to the judgment, order, or decree appealed from and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of their respective attorneys are as follows:

Dated: _____

Signed: _____
Attorney for Appellant (or Appellant, if not represented by an Attorney)

Attorney Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No: _____

If a Bankruptcy Appellate Panel Service is authorized to hear this appeal, each party has a right to have the appeal heard by the district court. The appellant may exercise this right only by filing a separate statement of election at the time of the filing of this notice of appeal. Any other party may elect, within the time provided in 28 U.S.C. § 158(c), to have the appeal heard by the district court.

If a child support creditor or its representative is the appellant, and if the child support creditor or its representative files the form specified in § 304(g) of the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994, no fee is required.

(Added Aug. 1, 1991; amended Mar. 14, 1995; Oct. 1, 1997; Dec. 1, 2002; Dec. 1, 2004.)

NOTES OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RULES—1991
AMENDMENT

This form is derived from former Official Form No. 35. The form has been amended to indicate that a final order may be entered other than in an adversary proceeding.

NOTES OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RULES—1995
AMENDMENT

The form is amended to reflect the amendments to 28 U.S.C. §158 concerning bankruptcy appellate panels made by the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994. Section 158(d) requires an appellant who elects to appeal to a district court rather than a bankruptcy appellate panel to do so “at the time of filing the appeal.”

The 1994 Act also amended 28 U.S.C. §158(a) to permit immediate appeal of interlocutory orders increasing or reducing a chapter 11 debtor’s exclusive period to file a plan under section 1121 of the Code. The form is amended to provide appropriate flexibility.

NOTES OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RULES—1997
AMENDMENT

The form has been amended to conform to Rule 8001(a), which requires the notice to contain the names of all parties to the judgment, order, or decree appealed from and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of their respective attorneys. A party filing a notice of appeal pro se should provide equivalent information.

COMMITTEE NOTES ON RULES—2002 AMENDMENT

The form is amended to give notice that no filing fee is required if a child support creditor or its representative is the appellant, and if the child support creditor or its representative files a form detailing the child support debt, its status, and other characteristics, as specified in §304(g) of the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994, Pub. L. No. 103-396[394], 108 Stat. 4106 (Oct. 22, 1994).

COMMITTEE NOTES ON RULES—2004 AMENDMENT

The form is amended to reflect the 2003 abrogation of Form 16C.

B18 (Official Form 18) (12/07)

United States Bankruptcy Court

_____ District Of _____

In re _____,)
[Set forth here all names including married,)
maiden, and trade names used by debtor within)
last 8 years.])
Debtor) Case No. _____)
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Address _____)
_____) Chapter 7)
))
Last four digits of Social-Security or other Individual Taxpayer-)
Identification No(s)(if any): _____)
))
Employer Tax-Identification No(s).(EIN) [if any]: _____)
_____)

DISCHARGE OF DEBTOR

It appearing that the debtor is entitled to a discharge, **IT IS ORDERED:** The debtor is granted a discharge under section 727 of title 11, United States Code, (the Bankruptcy Code).

Dated: _____

BY THE COURT

United States Bankruptcy Judge

SEE THE BACK OF THIS ORDER FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION.