## **BANKRUPTCY** UPDATE November 12, 2015

If someone else would like to receive these <sup>UP</sup>dates, please send an e-mail to <u>Mary\_Frederickson@sdb.uscourts.gov</u>.

### **New Member**

Please welcome Jeremy Mason to the group.

## Official Forms Changes Effective December 1

Effective December 1, 2015, most Official Bankruptcy Forms will be replaced with substantially revised, reformatted, and renumbered versions. Please review the <u>Pending Changes in the Bankruptcy Forms</u> page on the website of the U.S. Courts and this <u>slide presentation</u> concerning the new forms prepared by the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts.

# **Annotated Amended Local Bankruptcy Rules** and **Appendices Now Available**

For the amended local bankruptcy rules and appendices that become effective December 1, 2015—the same day the new Official Bankruptcy Forms become effective—we have created a copy of each with annotations. We have made red the text of the amended local rules with more significant changes, and we've added some explanatory notes in the margins. Please review these <u>annotated amended local rules</u> and these <u>annotated amended local rules</u> and these <u>annotated amended local rules</u> and these

Court's website under Local Rules and Forms - Local Rules and General Orders.

As we've noted in the annotations, we anticipate additional changes to our local rules once we have had an opportunity to work with the new Official Bankruptcy Forms and the software that incorporates them. So far, the software providers have not given our Clerk's office access to the new software so that we can test it in our CM/ECF train database. However, we will continue to do all we can at this early stage to help everyone make a smooth transition on December 1, 2015.

If you already have access to your provider's updated software that incorporates the new Official Bankruptcy Forms, we encourage you to test it in the CM/ECF train database. If you experience any problems, please contact Chief Deputy Vicky Reinhard in the Pierre Clerk's office. The more we can learn before December 1, 2015, the better.

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As always, should you have questions regarding this <sup>UP</sup>date or anything else concerning your dealings with the Court or the Clerk's office, please let us know.