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## **New Member**

Please welcome Jessica Noll to the group.

## **Creditors with Foreign Addresses**

With today's e-commerce, the world has become a much smaller place. Consequently, it is no surprise when we see a bankruptcy case in which a creditor or other party in interest has a foreign address.

A debtor should schedule a foreign creditor just as he or she would any other creditor. Use the address format used in that particular country, not the typical U.S. address format. If possible, also locate and include on the schedules an alternative U.S. address for the foreign creditor. The Bankruptcy Noticing Center will pick up the address or addresses and send the foreign creditor the notice of commencement of case (and any subsequent notice or other document) as best it can using the address or addresses provided by the debtor. As usual, the debtor's counsel will need to review the BNC's certificate of service for undeliverable addresses, watch for any e-mails from the BNC regarding problematic addresses, and also watch for any mail returned to their own office. For any bad addresses that are identified, the debtor's attorney will need to obtain a

correct address and re-serve the notice or other document as required by Bankr. D.S.D. R. 2002-4.

If anyone has to make direct service to a creditor or other party in interest at a foreign address, be sure sufficient postage for that country is affixed. Your local post office can provide assistance, as can the United States Postal Service's website at <a href="mailto:usps.com">usps.com</a>.

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