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New Pro Se Photo ID Requirement

Effective Thursday, August 1, 2013, The Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of California has implemented a policy requiring all individual and joint debtors who are not represented by an attorney ("pro se"), to provide a copy of a current government issued photo identification. This policy also applies to persons who bring pro se petitions to the intake counter for filing.

Filing in person: When a petition is presented at the counter for filing, the person presenting the petition must provide a current government issued photo identification. A copy of the identification will be made for retention, but will not be accessible as part of the public record. If the person presenting the petition for filing is not the debtor or joint debtor, the debtor(s) photo identification will be verified at the meeting of creditors.

Filing by mail: A photocopy of the debtor(s) government issued photo identification is required with the petition. If the government issued photocopy is not provided, a deficiency will be noted and the case, if filed, may be subject to dismissal.

To access this policy, click on [Photo Identification Requirement for Persons Filing a Petition Without Attorney Representation](#).

Mobile Query in the ECF Version 5.1 Release

As an enhancement to the PACER Case Locator (PCL), the 5.1 version of ECF includes a limited query display optimized for mobile use.

Mobile Query is compatible with smartphones such as iPhone and the Android, as well as with BlackBerrys and other PDAs that can access web applications.

This limited interface allows searches by Case Number or Party Name, and text searches on docket entries in a single selected case. Outputs include Attorney, Party, Deadlines, and Docket Entries.

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Users will be required to provide a PACER login as this application bills for information retrieval in the same manner as the main application query.

Through a mobile device, Mobile Query can be accessed directly from the CM/ECF application as shown on the Query Screen below or from the [PACER Case Locator \(PCL\)](#).

Search Clues

Mobile Query

Case Number

Last / Business Name (Examples: Desoto, Des't)

First Name Middle Name

SSN / ITIN Tax ID / EIN

Type Open cases Closed cases

Filed Date to

Last Entry Date to

Nature of Suit (AP and MP cases only)

0 (zero)
01 (Determination of removed claim or cause)
02 (Other (e.g. other actions that would have been brought in state court if unrelated to bankruptcy))
11 (Recovery of money/property - 542 turnover of property)

Run Query Clear

Upon clicking on the Mobile Query link, the below screen appears.

- After entering a case number or name, click enter.

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Search for a case by entering either a case number or the name of a party or attorney in the search box above. Spaces can be used in case numbers instead of dashes or other punctuation. When searching by name, you must enter at least two letters of the last name. If you enter only one letter the search will only find people whose last names are exactly that letter.

The case information shown below appears.

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Attorneys >

Parties >

Deadlines / Hearings >

Docket Entries 16

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Amended Local Rules

The PDF file of the [Local Bankruptcy Rules](#) has been updated to reflect previous amendments below.

Rule 9010. Appearance of Attorneys

9010-6 Appearance Attorneys

Section 341 (a) meeting. An attorney may attend a meeting of creditors on behalf of the attorney of record. The attorney attending a meeting of creditors must be familiar with the facts and circumstances of the case and must be prepared to act as the attorney of record for all purposes of the 341a meeting.

9010-7 Scope of Representation of Debtor's Counsel in Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 Bankruptcy Cases and Proceedings

An attorney retained to represent a debtor in a Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 bankruptcy case must provide representation that meets the standards established by the United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of California Rights and Responsibilities of Chapter 7 Debtors and Their Attorney or the United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of California Rights and Responsibilities of Chapter 13 Debtors and Their Attorney, as relevant. Consistent with these standards, an appearance in the bankruptcy case for a debtor does not require the attorney to appear for that party in certain contested matters, an adversary proceeding, or an examination pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2004, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

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Updated Forms

"Statement of Social Security" - B 21

The [B 21 - "Statement of Social Security"](#) has been updated to include the following national language, which appears in a box in the lower-left hand corner of the form:

"This form is not part of the public case file. This form must be submitted separately and is not included in the court's public electronic records. Please consult local court for submission requirement."

There is no change to the filing procedure.

"Notice to Individual Consumer Debtor Under Section 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code" - B201A & B201B

The "Notice to Individual Consumer Debtor Under Section 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code" - B201 has been divided into two separate forms to conform with the national forms. [B201B is the Bankruptcy Petition Preparer Certification form](#). [B201A is the Notice to Individual Consumer Debtor](#). The B201B certifies that the debtor was served the B201A. The Certification (B201B) is required to be filed with the court with the B201A attached.

"Notice of Motion for Exemption and Opportunity for Hearing Re: Credit Counseling" - CSD 1027

The [CSD 1027 - "Notice of Motion for Exemption and Opportunity for Hearing Re: Credit Counseling"](#) originally indicated that only the Chapter 7 trustees were required to be served in this matter; however, as Chapter 13 debtors may also be exempt from the Credit Counseling requirement, the Chapter 13 trustees' names and addresses have been included on page 2 for proof of service purposes.

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"Notice of Withdrawal of Proof of Claim and Deadline to Object to Proposed Withdrawal" - CSD 1407

Previously when a Notice of Withdrawal of Claim had been filed with our Court, a "Notice of Withdrawal of Proof of Claim and Deadline to Object to Proposed Withdrawal" - CSD 1407 was sent to the appropriate parties with instructions to file a Request for Notice of Hearing (CSD 1184) within ten days from the date of this Notice (CSD 1407), in the event they objected to the withdrawal of proof of claim. To match the national seven-day increment rule, the deadline to file the CSD 1184 has been increased to 14 days.

"Notice of Chapter 13 Trustee's Interim Final Report and Time to File Objections and Release from Liability of Trustee" - CSD 2125

Previously if a party objected to the Chapter 13 Trustee's Interim Final Report, this [CSD 2125 form](#) instructed the objecting party to contact the Chapter 13 Courtroom Deputy. This procedure has changed wherein the party is now instructed to contact the Courtroom Deputy for the judge assigned to the bankruptcy case.

"Excerpts from the Local Rules of the US District Court Specifically Relating to Attorney Admission to Practice" - CSD 3004

The ["Excerpts from the Local Rules of the US District Court Specifically Relating to Attorney Admission to Practice" - CSD 3004](#) has been updated to conform to the District Court's Civil Rule 83.3 "Admission to Practice Standards of Conduct - Duties," which was revised on February 8, 2013. This updated version includes the updated \$206 filing fee.

"Pro Hac Vice Application and Order Thereon" - CSD 3005

The ["Pro Hac Vice Application and Order Thereon" - CSD 3005](#) has been updated wherein the first page of this order conforms to our other order templates. The information on the second and third pages of this order have been updated to conform with the District Court's language.

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