

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING YOUR CASE

The Office of the U.S. Trustee reviews bankruptcy cases filed without an attorney to ensure that the people filing them have been treated lawfully. Individuals can file for bankruptcy without an attorney but they are sometimes victimized by various dishonest actors seeking to take advantage of a difficult situation.

To assist our review of your case, please complete the form below.

You are not required to fill out the form; it is voluntary.

However, the information you provide can help our office determine if you've been treated unlawfully and/or if you were overcharged for services. Common red flags that indicate wrongdoing include:

- You were advised not to open court mail or attend hearings.
- You were told the case would not be a "real" bankruptcy.
- You were told to lie about a person's assistance that they provided to you.

### **Voluntary Statement of Bankruptcy Filers Without an Attorney**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you get the bankruptcy forms that you filed?

The Court's website

Other website:

Given to me by:

Other:

Did you sign the bankruptcy forms filed in your case?      No.      Yes.

**Did you have any help completing the bankruptcy forms?**

No.

*Yes. Please provide the name and contact information for the person or company who helped you if you have it:*

Name:

Email:

Phone Number:

Address:

Website:

Did you pay this person or promise to pay them in the future?      No.      Yes.

*If yes, how much have you paid or agreed to pay?*

Did this person file your documents with the Court for you?      No.      Yes.

Did this person talk to you about any of the following: (Check all that apply)

- |                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Whether to file bankruptcy        | What property you can keep after bankruptcy |
| The different types of bankruptcy | Tax consequences of bankruptcy              |
| How to list your assets or debts  | Any other advice about bankruptcy           |

**Before you filed for bankruptcy, did anyone agree to help you with your debts? For example, did anyone offer to help you reduce your credit card or other debt or offer to help prevent the foreclosure of your home or repossession of your car?**

No.

Yes. *If yes, please complete the information below.*

Name:

Email:

Phone Number:

Address:

Website:

Did this person talk to you about bankruptcy options?      No.      Yes.

Did you sign a contract or agreement with them?      No.      Yes.

Did you pay this person or promise to pay them in the future?      No.      Yes.

*If yes, how much have you paid or agreed to pay?*

Thank you for completing this form. If you have a contract, payment receipts, emails, texts, letters or other documents related to anyone you've identified on this form, you can include a copy of those documents when you submit this form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Debtor Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Joint Debtor Signature

***If you have any questions regarding this form, please contact the Office of the United States Trustee at 309-671-7854 or via email at [ustp.region10.pe.admin@usdoj.gov](mailto:ustp.region10.pe.admin@usdoj.gov).***

***Thank you!***