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**Notes for PACER Users**

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## **BANKRUPTCY RELEASE 4.2**

This document summarizes the changes you may notice when you use CM/ECF in a U.S. Bankruptcy Court that has installed Release 4.2 of the application. With the exception of one change (see the Query section), all changes listed are viewable only when logged in with a CM/ECF user account.

### ***Rule 3002.1 Changes***

New Rule 3002.1 requirements, which address certain claims in chapter 13 cases, go into effect on December 1, 2011. To comply with the rule, CM/ECF has been modified to allow a creditor to file the “Notice of Mortgage Payment Changes,” the “Notice of Postpetition Fees, Expenses, and Charges,” and the “Response to Notice of Final Cure Payment” as a supplement to the holder’s proof of claim. Several areas of CM/ECF are affected by this change, as described below.

### **Claim Action events**

There are three new selections on the Bankruptcy Events menu which allow the supplemental information to be filed. When docketed, these events appear in the history section of the Claims Register, and no document number is assigned.

- A “Notice of Mortgage Payment Changes” event allows the claim holder to notify appropriate case participants when a change in payment amount occurs.
- A “Notice of Postpetition Fees, Expenses, and Charges” event includes the claim holder’s record of fees incurred by the case that the holder asserts are recoverable against the debtor.
- A “Response to Notice of Final Cure Payment” allows the trustee or debtor to notify case participants that the debtor has completed all payments under the plan.

### **Claims Register**

- When any of the above events are docketed, they are displayed on the History section of the Claims Register for their associated claims.

Note: Because no document number is associated with the event, the word “doc” (rather than a document number) appears as a link to the document (this change was

made in release 4.1). The image below from the Claims Register highlights an entry that has no document number.

Creditor: (505014901) <a href="#">History</a> 04-44447 Plaza America Suite 333 Reston, VA 20191 <a href="#">Claimant History</a>		<b>Claim No: 219</b> <i>Original Filed Date: 06/15/2011</i> <i>Original Entered Date: 02/02/200</i> <i>Last Amendment Filed: 08/29/20</i> <i>Last Amendment Entered: 08/29</i>
Amount claimed: \$0.00	Amount allowed: \$0.00	
Secured claimed: \$0.00	Secured allowed: \$0.00	
Priority claimed: \$0.00	Priority allowed: \$0.00	
<b>History:</b> <div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; margin-right: 10px;"> <a href="#">doc</a> </div> <div>             08/11/2011 Notice of Mortgage Payment Change (Claim # 219,296,299) Filed by Realt              (Newton, Mary-Anne)           </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> <a href="#">Details</a>    ●    <a href="#">219-4</a>    06/15/2011 Amended Claim #219 filed by Rupert Landscaping Svc., Amount claimed:             <a href="#">56910</a>    05/11/2009 Objection to Claim 258,259 by Claimant Filed by Ray Jay Wa (Shaw, Da         </div>		

These docket entries are not displayed on the Docket Report, so the Notice of Electronic Filing information cannot be viewed through the application. Instead, the NEF information must be accessed through the email notice sent at the time of the filing.

**IMPORTANT:** Although these entries are not displayed on the Docket Report, the Date of Last Filing field is updated when one of these entries is filed. Thus, there may be instances in which the Date of Last Filing is updated, while the report output has not changed.

### Form Changes

- Minor wording and style changes were made each of the following versions of Official Form 9 (Notice of Commencement of Case under the Bankruptcy Code, Meeting of Creditors, and Deadlines): B9A, B9B, B9C, B9D, B9E, B9F, B9G, B9H and B9I, to match the official forms which have been updated.
- Numerous modifications were made to form B10 (Proof Of Claim), to agree with the official form.

## Claims

- In release 4.1, the screen used to enter Proof of Claim information was changed; the Amount Claimed field is no longer calculated automatically. Since this change was not apparent on the entry screen, a new message has been added to remind the user to enter the claim value:

The screenshot shows a web form for entering claim information. The form includes fields for Case Number (04-44444), Last Date To File, Last Date To File (Govt), Amount Claimed, Secured, and Priority. A modal message box titled "Message from webpage" is overlaid on the form, displaying a question mark icon and the text: "No Amount Claimed value has been entered. Do you want to continue this filing?". The message box has "OK" and "Cancel" buttons. The form fields contain the following values: Case Number: 04-44444, Last Date To File: (empty), Last Date To File (Govt): (empty), Amount Claimed: (empty), Secured: 50.00, Priority: 50.00. Below the form, there are instructions for each field: "Enter the Total Amount of Claim as of Date Case Filed" for Amount Claimed, "If all or part of your claim is secured, enter the secured amount" for Secured, and "If all or part of your claim is entitled to priority, enter the priority amount" for Priority.

A message has also been added to the Claims Register to indicate the source of the values displayed:

<b>Total Amount Claimed*</b>	\$837381380.56
<b>Total Amount Allowed*</b>	\$2763142.49

\*Includes general unsecured claims

**The values are reflective of the data entered. Always refer to claim documents for actual amounts.**

- Certain fields on the Proof of Claim screen were removed from view in release 4.1, but some automated data entry software could still enter values into these fields. Now, those fields cannot be filled.
- Previously, when the Amount Claimed value was 0, the Claim History screen on the Claims Register displayed a null value instead; this has been fixed.
- Previously, it was possible for third party software to upload claims data without providing the filing date of the claim. This has been corrected.

## Claims Upload

- After a change made in release 4.1, Notices of Claims Filing were no longer generated for claims filed through Claims Upload or Claims ADI. This has been corrected.

### ***Query***

- Because of an error in release 4.1, the attorney name did not appear on the Notice of Bankruptcy Case Filing when it was displayed via the Query option; this has been corrected.

### ***Reports***

- Previously, when a filer type was selected, the Docket Activity report was slow to produce search results. This has been corrected.

### ***Utilities***

- When the Creditor Mailing Matrix was displayed in Firefox 4.0, the “View Labels” button did not function properly. This has been fixed.