

Bankruptcy may make it possible for you to:

- Eliminate the legal obligation to pay most or all of your debts.
- Stop foreclosure on your house or mobile home and allow you an opportunity to catch up on missed payments.
- Prevent repossession of a car or other property, or force the creditor to return property even after it has been repossessed.
- Stop wage garnishment, debt collection harassment, and similar creditor actions to collect a debt.
- Allow you to challenge claims of creditors who have committed fraud or who are otherwise trying to collect more than you really owe.

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Bankruptcy Basics



WHAT IS BANKRUPTCY?



Bankruptcy is a legal proceeding in which a person who cannot pay his or her bills can get a fresh financial start. The right to file for bankruptcy is provided by federal law, and all bankruptcy cases are handled in federal court. Filing bankruptcy immediately stops all of your creditors from seeking to collect debts from you, at least until your debts are sorted out according to the law.

CHAPTERS 7 LIQUIDATION

Chapter 7 bankruptcy is known as “straight” bankruptcy or “liquidation.” It requires an individual to give up property which is not “exempt” under the law, so the property can be sold to pay creditors. Generally, those who file chapter 7 keep all of their property except property which is very valuable or which is subject to a lien which they cannot avoid or afford to pay.

If you want to keep property like a home or a car and are behind on the payments, a chapter 7 case probably will not be the right choice for you. That is because chapter 7 bankruptcy does not eliminate the right of the creditor to take your property to cover your debt.

Chapter 13 REORGANIZATION

Chapter 13 is a type of “reorganization” used by individuals to pay all or a portion of their debts over a period of years using their current income.

In a chapter 13 case you file a “plan” showing how you will pay off some of your past-due and current debts over three to five years. The most important thing about a chapter 13 case is that it will allow you to keep valuable property—especially your home or car—which might otherwise be lost, if you can make the payments which the bankruptcy law requires to be made to your creditors and the court.

We are a debt relief agency. We help people file for bankruptcy relief under the bankruptcy code..