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B1 (Official Form 1)(1/08) United States Bankruptcy Court District of Maryland				Vo	oluntary Petition	
Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): Fernandez, Jose			Name of Joint D Fernandez,	-) (Last, First, Middle)	:
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):			All Other Names used by the Joint Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):			
Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer I.D. (ITIN) No./Complete EIN (if more than one, state all) xxx-xx-0302			Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer I.D. (ITIN) No./Complete EIN (if more than one, state all) xxx-xx-4997			
Street Address of Debtor (No. and Street, City, and State): 12308 Middle Road Silver Spring, MD ZIP Code 20906			Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. and Street, City, and State): 12308 Middle Road Silver Spring, MD ZIP Code 20906			
County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Montgomery	Business:	C	County of Reside Montgome		Principal Place of Bu	siness:
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from stree			Mailing Address	of Joint Debt	or (if different from st	
Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor (if different from street address above):		Lode				ZIP Code
Type of Debtor Nature of Business (Form of Organization) (Check one box) (Check one box) Health Care Business Individual (includes Joint Debtors) Single Asset Real Estate as definin 11 U.S.C. § 101 (51B) See Exhibit D on page 2 of this form. Railroad Corporation (includes LLC and LLP) Stockbroker Partnership Clearing Bank		x) te as defin	ed ☐ Chap ☐ Chap ☐ Chap ☐ Chap ☐ Chap	the I ter 7 ter 9 ter 11 ter 12	of a Foreign Chapter 15	ck one box) Petition for Recognition n Main Proceeding Petition for Recognition n Nonmain Proceeding
☐ Other (If debtor is not one of the above entities, check this box and state type of entity below.) ☐ Other		icable) corganizat inited State	(Check one box) ■ Debts are primarily consumer debts, Debts are primarily defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as business debts. "incurred by an individual primarily for			
 Filing Fee (Check one box) Full Filing Fee attached Filing Fee to be paid in installments (applicable to individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration certifying that the debtor is unable to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Form 3A. Filing Fee waiver requested (applicable to chapter 7 individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration. See Official Form 3B. 			Debtor is Check if: Debtor's to insider Check all applica A plan is Acceptan	a small busin not a small bu aggregate non s or affiliates) able boxes: being filed wi ces of the plan	usiness debtor as define acontingent liquidated are less than \$2,190,0 ith this petition.	tition from one or more
Statistical/Administrative Information THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONL Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors. THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONL Debtor estimates that, after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses paid, there will be no funds available for distribution to unsecured creditors. THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONL						
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Voluntar	y Petition	Name of Debtor(s):		
(This nage mi	- ust be completed and filed in every case)	Fernandez, Jose Fernandez, Maria		
(This page mi	All Prior Bankruptcy Cases Filed Within Last		attach additional sheet)	
Location		Case Number:	Date Filed:	
Where Filed:	- None -			
Location Where Filed:		Case Number:	Date Filed:	
Pe	ending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner, or	Affiliate of this Debtor (If	more than one, attach additional sheet)	
Name of Debt - None -	tor:	Case Number:	Date Filed:	
District:		Relationship:	Judge:	
	Exhibit A	(To be completed if debter is	Exhibit B an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts.)	
forms 10K a pursuant to and is reque	beleted if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 sting relief under chapter 11.) A is attached and made a part of this petition.	have informed the petitione 12, or 13 of title 11, United	an February 11, 2009	
	E1	libit C		
☐ Yes, and ■ No. (To be comp	or own or have possession of any property that poses or is alleged to Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition. Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition. Exhibit C is attached and made by every individual debtor. If a joint petition is filed, ea D completed and signed by the debtor is attached and made	ibit D ch spouse must complete ar	- · ·	
If this is a jo		a part of this petition.		
-	D also completed and signed by the joint debtor is attached a	and made a part of this petit	ion.	
	Information Regardin (Check any ag	-		
	Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, princip days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for	al place of business, or prin		
	There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, ge	eneral partner, or partnership	p pending in this District.	
	Debtor is a debtor in a foreign proceeding and has its print this District, or has no principal place of business or assets proceeding [in a federal or state court] in this District, or th sought in this District.	in the United States but is	a defendant in an action or	
	Certification by a Debtor Who Reside (Check all app		al Property	
	Landlord has a judgment against the debtor for possession		x checked, complete the following.)	
	(Name of landlord that obtained judgment)			
	(Address of landlord)			
	Debtor claims that under applicable nonbankruptcy law, the entire monetary default that gave rise to the judgment			
	Debtor has included in this petition the deposit with the coafter the filing of the petition.	urt of any rent that would b	ecome due during the 30-day period	
	Debtor certifies that he/she has served the Landlord with this certification. (11 U.S.C. § 362(l)).			

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Voluntary Petition	Name of Debtor(s):
•	Fernandez, Jose
This page must be completed and filed in every case)	Fernandez, Maria
0	natures
Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)	Signature of a Foreign Representative
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct. [If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7.	I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, that I am the foreign representative of a debtor in a foreign proceeding, and that I am authorized to file this petition. (Check only one box.) ☐ I request relief in accordance with chapter 15 of title 11. United States Code.
[If no attorney represents me and no bankruptcy petition preparer signs the petition] I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. §342(b).	Certified copies of the documents required by 11 U.S.C. §1515 are attached. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §1511, I request relief in accordance with the chapter
I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.	of title 11 specified in this petition. A certified copy of the order granting recognition of the foreign main proceeding is attached.
X /s/ Jose Fernandez	X
X /s/ Jose Fernandez Signature of Debtor Jose Fernandez	Signature of Foreign Representative
X /s/ Maria Fernandez Signature of Joint Debtor Maria Fernandez	Printed Name of Foreign Representative
Signature of Joint Debtor Maria Fernandez	
	Date
Telephone Number (If not represented by attorney)	Signature of Non-Attorney Bankruptcy Petition Preparer
February 11, 2009	I declare under penalty of perjury that: (1) I am a bankruptcy petition
	preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; (2) I prepared this document for compensation and have provided the debtor with a copy of this document
Signature of Attorney*	and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b),
	110(h), and 342(b); and, (3) if rules or guidelines have been promulgated
X /s/ Jeffrey Sherman Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)	pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by bankruptcy petition preparers, I have given the debtor notice
Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)	of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a
Jeffrey Sherman	debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required in that section.
Jeffrey Sherman Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s)	Official Form 19 is attached.
Semmes, Bowen & Semmes	
Firm Name	Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer
1001 Connecticut Ave NW Suite 1100	
Washington, DC 20036	Social-Security number (If the bankrutpcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the Social Security number of the officer, principal, responsible person or partner of the bankruptcy petition
Address	preparer.)(Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.)
Email: jsherman@semmes.com 202-778-8692 Fax: 202-822-8258	
Telephone Number	
February 11, 2009	
Date	Address
*In a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, this signature also constitutes a	X 7
certification that the attorney has no knowledge after an inquiry that the	X
information in the schedules is incorrect.	
	Date
Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)	
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition	Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer or officer, principal, responsible person, or partner whose Social Security number is provided above.
on behalf of the debtor.	Names and Social-Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or
The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.	assisted in preparing this document unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual:
V	
Signature of Authorized Individual	
	If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.
Printed Name of Authorized Individual	contorning to the appropriate official form for each person.
	A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of
Title of Authorized Individual	title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both 11 U.S.C. §110; 18 U.S.C. §156.
Date	

United States Bankruptcy Court District of Maryland

	Jose Fernandez
In re	Maria Fernandez

Debtor(s)

Case No. Chapter

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EXHIBIT D - INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR'S STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH CREDIT COUNSELING REQUIREMENT

Warning: You must be able to check truthfully one of the five statements regarding credit counseling listed below. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file a bankruptcy case, and the court can dismiss any case you do file. If that happens, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors will be able to resume collection activities against you. If your case is dismissed and you file another bankruptcy case later, you may be required to pay a second filing fee and you may have to take extra steps to stop creditors' collection activities.

Every individual debtor must file this Exhibit D. If a joint petition is filed, each spouse must complete and file a separate Exhibit D. Check one of the five statements below and attach any documents as directed.

■1. Within the 180 days **before the filing of my bankruptcy case**, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that outlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in performing a related budget analysis, and I have a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to me. *Attach a copy of the certificate and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the agency*.

 \Box 2. Within the 180 days **before the filing of my bankruptcy case**, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that outlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in performing a related budget analysis, but I do not have a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to me. *You must file a copy of a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to you and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the agency no later than 15 days after your bankruptcy case is filed.*

□3. I certify that I requested credit counseling services from an approved agency but was unable to obtain the services during the five days from the time I made my request, and the following exigent circumstances merit a temporary waiver of the credit counseling requirement so I can file my bankruptcy case now. [Summarize exigent circumstances here.] ____

If your certification is satisfactory to the court, you must still obtain the credit counseling briefing within the first 30 days after you file your bankruptcy petition and promptly file a certificate from the agency that provided the counseling, together with a copy of any debt management plan developed through the agency. Failure to fulfill these requirements may result in dismissal of your case. Any extension of the 30-day deadline can be granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days. Your case may also be dismissed if the court is not satisfied with your reasons for filing your bankruptcy case without first receiving a credit counseling briefing.

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□4. I am not required to receive a credit counseling briefing because of: [Check the applicable statement.] [Must be accompanied by a motion for determination by the court.]

□Incapacity. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109(h)(4) as impaired by reason of mental illness or mental deficiency so as to be incapable of realizing and making rational decisions with respect to financial responsibilities.);

□Disability. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109(h)(4) as physically impaired to the extent of being unable, after reasonable effort, to participate in a credit counseling briefing in person, by telephone, or through the Internet.);

□Active military duty in a military combat zone.

□5. The United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator has determined that the credit counseling requirement of 11 U.S.C. § 109(h) does not apply in this district.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct.

Signature of Debtor: /s/ Jose Fernandez Jose Fernandez

Date: February 11, 2009

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	Cer	tificate Number:	06531-MD-CC-006095616
CERTIFICAT	<u>'E O</u> F	COUNSEL	ING
I CERTIFY that on February 9, 2009	, at	10:35	o'clock <u>PM CST</u> ,
Jose I Fernandez		received f	from
Allen Credit and Debt Counseling Agency			
an agency approved pursuant to 11 U.S.C.	§ 111 to	provide credit co	ounseling in the
District of Maryland	, ai	n individual [or	group] briefing that complied
with the provisions of 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h)	and 111		
A debt repayment plan was not prepared	If a c	lebt repayment p	lan was prepared, a copy of
the debt repayment plan is attached to this	certificat	e.	
This counseling session was conducted by	internet		
Date: February 9, 2009	By	/s/Tara Hines	
	Name	Tara Hines	
	Title	Credit Counselo	r

* Individuals who wish to file a bankruptcy case under title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code are required to file with the United States Bankruptcy Court a completed certificate of counseling from the nonprofit budget and credit counseling agency that provided the individual the counseling services and a copy of the debt repayment plan, if any, developed through the credit counseling agency. *See* 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h) and 521(b).

Certificat			<u>06531-MD-CC-006095960</u>	
I CERTIFY that on February 10, 2009	, at	t <u>12:42</u>	o'clock <u>AM CST</u> ,	
Maria A Fernandez		received	from	
Allen Credit and Debt Counseling Agency			,	
an agency approved pursuant to 11 U.S.C.	§ 111 to	provide credit c	ounseling in the	
District of Maryland, an individual [or group] briefing that complied				
with the provisions of 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h)	and 111			
A debt repayment plan was not prepared If a debt repayment plan was prepared, a copy of				
the debt repayment plan is attached to this o	certificat	te.		
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Date: February 10, 2009	By	/s/Tara Hines		
	Name	Tara Hines		
	Title	Credit Counselo	r	

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United States Bankruptcy Court District of Maryland

Jose Fernandez In re Maria Fernandez

Debtor(s)

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 \Box 2. Within the 180 days **before the filing of my bankruptcy case**, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that outlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in performing a related budget analysis, but I do not have a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to me. *You must file a copy of a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to you and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the agency no later than 15 days after your bankruptcy case is filed.*

□3. I certify that I requested credit counseling services from an approved agency but was unable to obtain the services during the five days from the time I made my request, and the following exigent circumstances merit a temporary waiver of the credit counseling requirement so I can file my bankruptcy case now. [Summarize exigent circumstances here.] ____

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□Disability. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109(h)(4) as physically impaired to the extent of being unable, after reasonable effort, to participate in a credit counseling briefing in person, by telephone, or through the Internet.);

□Active military duty in a military combat zone.

□5. The United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator has determined that the credit counseling requirement of 11 U.S.C. § 109(h) does not apply in this district.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct.

Signature of Debtor: /s/ Maria Fernandez
Maria Fernandez

Date: February 11, 2009

B4 (Official Form 4) (12/07)

United States Bankruptcy Court District of Maryland

In re	Jose Fernandez Maria Fernandez		Case No.	
		Debtor(s)	Chapter	11

LIST OF CREDITORS HOLDING 20 LARGEST UNSECURED CLAIMS

Following is the list of the debtor's creditors holding the 20 largest unsecured claims. The list is prepared in accordance with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(d) for filing in this chapter 11 [*or* chapter 9] case. The list does not include (1) persons who come within the definition of "insider" set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 101, or (2) secured creditors unless the value of the collateral is such that the unsecured deficiency places the creditor among the holders of the 20 largest unsecured claims. If a minor child is one of the creditors holding the 20 largest unsecured claims, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See 11 U.S.C. § 112; Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m).

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Name of creditor and complete mailing address including zip code	Name, telephone number and complete mailing address, including zip code, of employee, agent, or department of creditor familiar with claim who may be contacted	Nature of claim (trade debt, bank loan, government contract, etc.)	Indicate if claim is contingent, unliquidated, disputed, or subject to setoff	Amount of claim [if secured, also state value of security]
American Home Mortgage	American Home Mortgage	2016 10th Street NW Washington DC 20001		0.00 (Unknown secured)
Ocwen Loan P.O. Box 785063 Orlando, FL 32878	Ocwen Loan P.O. Box 785063 Orlando, FL 32878	12308 Middle Road Silver Spring MD 20906		Unknown (397,500.00 secured)

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Debtor(s)

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LIST OF CREDITORS HOLDING 20 LARGEST UNSECURED CLAIMS

(Continuation Sheet)

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Name of creditor and complete mailing address including zip code	Name, telephone number and complete mailing address, including zip code, of employee, agent, or department of creditor familiar with claim who may be contacted	Nature of claim (trade debt, bank loan, government contract, etc.)	Indicate if claim is contingent, unliquidated, disputed, or subject to setoff	Amount of claim [if secured, also state value of security]

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY ON BEHALF OF A CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP

We, **Jose Fernandez** and **Maria Fernandez**, the debtors in this case, declare under penalty of perjury that we have read the foregoing list and that it is true and correct to the best of our information and belief.

Date **February 11, 2009**

Signature /s/ Jose Fernandez

Jose Fernandez Debtor

Date February 11, 2009

Signature /s/ Maria Fernandez Maria Fernandez Joint Debtor

Penalty for making a false statement or concealing property: Fine of up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152 and 3571.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

NOTICE TO CONSUMER DEBTOR(S) UNDER § 342(b) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

In accordance with § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, this notice to individuals with primarily consumer debts: (1) Describes briefly the services available from credit counseling services; (2) Describes briefly the purposes, benefits and costs of the four types of bankruptcy proceedings you may commence; and (3) Informs you about bankruptcy crimes and notifies you that the Attorney General may examine all information you supply in connection with a bankruptcy case.

You are cautioned that bankruptcy law is complicated and not easily described. Thus, you may wish to seek the advice of an attorney to learn of your rights and responsibilities should you decide to file a petition. Court employees cannot give you legal advice.

Notices from the bankruptcy court are sent to the mailing address you list on your bankruptcy petition. In order to ensure that you receive information about events concerning your case, Bankruptcy Rule 4002 requires that you notify the court of any changes in your address. If you are filing a **joint case** (a single bankruptcy case for two individuals married to each other), and each spouse lists the same mailing address on the bankruptcy petition, you and your spouse will generally receive a single copy of each notice mailed from the bankruptcy court in a jointly-addressed envelope, unless you file a statement with the court requesting that each spouse receive a separate copy of all notices.

1. Services Available from Credit Counseling Agencies

With limited exceptions, § 109(h) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that all individual debtors who file for bankruptcy relief on or after October 17, 2005, receive a briefing that outlines the available opportunities for credit counseling and provides assistance in performing a budget analysis. The briefing must be given within 180 days <u>before</u> the bankruptcy filing. The briefing may be provided individually or in a group (including briefings conducted by telephone or on the Internet) and must be provided by a nonprofit budget and credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator. The clerk of the bankruptcy court has a list that you may consult of the approved budget and credit counseling agencies. Each debtor in a joint case must complete the briefing.

In addition, after filing a bankruptcy case, an individual debtor generally must complete a financial management instructional course before he or she can receive a discharge. The clerk also has a list of approved financial management instructional courses. Each debtor in a joint case must complete the course.

2. The Four Chapters of the Bankruptcy Code Available to Individual Consumer Debtors

<u>Chapter 7</u>: Liquidation (\$245 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee, \$15 trustee surcharge: Total Fee \$299)

1. Chapter 7 is designed for debtors in financial difficulty who do not have the ability to pay their existing debts. Debtors whose debts are primarily consumer debts are subject to a "means test" designed to determine whether the case should be permitted to proceed under chapter 7. If your income is greater than the median income for your state of residence and family size, in some cases, creditors have the right to file a motion requesting that the court dismiss your case under § 707(b) of the Code. It is up to the court to decide whether the case should be dismissed.

2. Under chapter 7, you may claim certain of your property as exempt under governing law. A trustee may have the right to take possession of and sell the remaining property that is not exempt and use the sale proceeds to pay your creditors.

3. The purpose of filing a chapter 7 case is to obtain a discharge of your existing debts. If, however, you are found to have committed certain kinds of improper conduct described in the Bankruptcy Code, the court may deny your discharge and, if it does, the purpose for which you filed the bankruptcy petition will be defeated.

4. Even if you receive a general discharge, some particular debts are not discharged under the law. Therefore, you may still be responsible for most taxes and student loans; debts incurred to pay nondischargeable taxes; domestic support and property settlement obligations; most fines, penalties, forfeitures, and criminal restitution obligations; certain debts which are not properly listed in your bankruptcy papers; and debts for death or personal injury caused by operating a motor vehicle, vessel, or aircraft while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs. Also, if a creditor can prove that a debt arose from fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, or theft, or from a willful and malicious injury, the bankruptcy court may determine that the debt is not discharged.

<u>Chapter 13</u>: Repayment of All or Part of the Debts of an Individual with Regular Income (\$235 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$274)

1. Chapter 13 is designed for individuals with regular income who would like to pay all or part of their debts in installments

over a period of time. You are only eligible for chapter 13 if your debts do not exceed certain dollar amounts set forth in the Bankruptcy Code.

2. Under chapter 13, you must file with the court a plan to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, using your future earnings. The period allowed by the court to repay your debts may be three years or five years, depending upon your income and other factors. The court must approve your plan before it can take effect.

3. After completing the payments under your plan, your debts are generally discharged except for domestic support obligations; most student loans; certain taxes; most criminal fines and restitution obligations; certain debts which are not properly listed in your bankruptcy papers; certain debts for acts that caused death or personal injury; and certain long term secured obligations.

<u>Chapter 11</u>: Reorganization (\$1000 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$1039)

Chapter 11 is designed for the reorganization of a business but is also available to consumer debtors. Its provisions are quite complicated, and any decision by an individual to file a chapter 11 petition should be reviewed with an attorney.

Chapter 12: Family Farmer or Fisherman (\$200 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$239)

Chapter 12 is designed to permit family farmers and fishermen to repay their debts over a period of time from future earnings and is similar to chapter 13. The eligibility requirements are restrictive, limiting its use to those whose income arises primarily from a family-owned farm or commercial fishing operation.

3. Bankruptcy Crimes and Availability of Bankruptcy Papers to Law Enforcement Officials

A person who knowingly and fraudulently conceals assets or makes a false oath or statement under penalty of perjury, either orally or in writing, in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to a fine, imprisonment, or both. All information supplied by a debtor in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to examination by the Attorney General acting through the Office of the United States Attorney, and other components and employees of the Department of Justice.

WARNING: Section 521(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that you promptly file detailed information regarding your creditors, assets, liabilities, income, expenses and general financial condition. Your bankruptcy case may be dismissed if this information is not filed with the court within the time deadlines set by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the local rules of the court.

Certificate of Attorney

I hereby certify that I delivered to the debtor this notice required by § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

Jeffrey Sherman	X /s/ Jeffrey Sherman	February 11, 2009
Printed Name of Attorney	Signature of Attorney	Date
Address:		
1001 Connecticut Ave NW Suite 1100		
Washington, DC 20036		
202-778-8692		
jsherman@semmes.com		

Certificate of Debtor

I (We), the debtor(s), affirm that I (we) have received and read this notice.

Jose Fernandez
Maria FernandezX/s/ Jose FernandezFebruary 11, 2009Printed Name(s) of Debtor(s)Signature of DebtorDateCase No. (if known)X/s/ Maria FernandezFebruary 11, 2009Signature of Joint Debtor (if any)Date

United States Bankruptcy Court District of Maryland

Jose Fernandez Maria Fernandez In re

Debtor(s)

Case No. Chapter

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VERIFICATION OF CREDITOR MATRIX

The above-named Debtors hereby verify that the attached list of creditors is true and correct to the best of their knowledge.

Date: February 11, 2009

/s/ Jose Fernandez Jose Fernandez Signature of Debtor

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/s/ Maria Fernandez Maria Fernandez Signature of Debtor

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