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Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, M	ddle):		Nam	e of Joint Do	ebtor (Spou	se)(Last, First, Middle	e):	
Dowdy, Alan G.								
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the la (include married, maiden, and trade names):  fdba A Grant Associates, LLC	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 Indvidual-Taxpayer I (if more than one, state all): 9667	D. (ITIN) No./Complete EIN			our digits of S		vidual-Taxpayer I.l	D. (ITIN) No./Comple	te EIN
Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City	and State):				Joint Debtor	(No. & Stree	t, City, and State):	
2928 Berry St Kalamazoo MI	ZIPCODE							ZIPCODE
County of Residence or of the	49048		Coun	ity of Reside	ence or of the			
Principal Place of Business: Kalama	200		Princ	ipal Place o	f Business:			
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from s  P.O. Box 312	treet address):		Maili	ng Address	of Joint Debt	or (if different	from street address):	
Comstock MI	ZIPCODE <b>49041</b>							ZIPCODE
Location of Principal Assets of Business Deb (if different from street address above): NOT APP	tor LICABLE		•					ZIPCODE
Type of Debtor (Form of organization)	Nature of Busines (Check one box.)	S			Chapter of the Petition		de Under Which Check one box)	
(Check <b>one</b> box.)  ☐ Individual (includes Joint Debtors)	Health Care Business			Chapter 7		☐ Ch	napter 15 Petition for	r Recognition
See Exhibit D on page 2 of this form.	Single Asset Real Estate as defi	ined		Chapter 9 Chapter 1		of	f a Foreign Main Pro	oceeding
Corporation (includes LLC and LLP)	in 11 U.S.C. § 101 (51B) Railroad		Chapter 12 Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition					
Partnership  Other (if debtor is not one of the above	Stockbroker		Chapter 13  Nature of Debts (Check one box)  Debts are primarily consumer debts, defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family,					
entities, check this box and state type of	Commodity Broker							
entity below	Clearing Bank Other							
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	Tax-Exempt Entit (Check box, if applicable.)		~-		Chap	ter 11 Debtors	:	
	Debtor is a tax-exempt organiza		Check one box:  Debtor is a small business as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D).					
	under Title 26 of the United Sta Code (the Internal Revenue Co		Debtor is not a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D).					
Filing Fee (Check	one box)		Check if:					
Full Filing Fee attached			Debtor's aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed					
Filing Fee to be paid in installments (applicable signed application for the court's consideration c			to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$2,190,000.					
to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b).			Check all applicable boxes:					
Filing Fee waiver requested (applicable to chapte	er 7 individuals only). Must attach		A plan is being filed with this petition					
signed application for the court's consideration. S	ee Offi cial Form 3B.		Acceptances of the plan were solicited prepetition from one or more classes of creditors, in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1126(b).					
Statistical/Administrative Information							THIS SPACE IS FOR	COURT USE ONLY
Debtor estimates that funds will be available for	r distribution to unsecured creditors.							
Debtor estimates that, after any exempt propert distribution to unsecured creditors.	y is excluded and administrative expense	nses paid	l, there w	vill be no fund	ls available for			
Estimated Number of Creditors		П		п	$\Box$			
1-49 50-99 100-199 200-99	99 1,000- 5,001- 5,000 10,000	10,001- 25,000	-	25,001- 50,000	50,001- 100,000	Over 100,000		
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Estimated Liabilities				П	П	П		
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Official Form 1 (1/08) FORM B1, Page Name of Debtor(s): Voluntary Petition (This page must be completed and filed in every case) Alan G. Dowdy All Prior Bankruptcy Cases Filed Within Last 8 Years (If more than two, attach additional sheet) Location Where Filed: Case Number: Date Filed: NONE Location Where Filed: Case Number: Date Filed: (If more than one, attach additional sheet) Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner or Affiliate of this Debtor Name of Debtor: Date Filed: NONE District: Relationship: Judge: Exhibit A Exhibit B (To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (To be completed if debtor is an individual (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange whose debts are primarily consumer debts) Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under Chapter 11) have informed the petitioner that [he or she] may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12 or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each such chapter. I further certify that I have delivered to the debtor the notice required by 11 U.S.C. §342(b). Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition /s/ Kerry D. Hettinger 11/19/2008 Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) Exhibit C Does the debtor own or have possession of any property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable harm to public health or safety? Yes, and exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition.  $\boxtimes$ No Exhibit D (To be completed by every individual debtor. If a joint petition is filed, each spouse must complete and attach a separate Exhibit D.) Exhibit D completed and signed by the debtor is attached and made part of this petition. If this is a joint petition: Exhibit D also completed and signed by the joint debtor is attached and made a part of this petition. Information Regarding the Debtor - Venue (Check any applicable box) Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, principal place of business, or principal assets in this District for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other District. There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership pending in this District. Debtor is a debtor in a foreign proceeding and has its principal place of business or principal assets in the United States in this District, or has no principal place of business or assets in the United States but is a defendant in an action proceeding [in a federal or state court] in this District, or the interests of the parties will be served in regard to the relief sought in this District. Certification by a Debtor Who Resides as a Tenant of Residential Property (Check all applicable boxes.) Landlord has a judgment against the debtor for possession of debtor's residence. (If box checked, complete the following.) (Name of landlord that obtained judgment) (Address of landlord) Debtor claims that under applicable nonbankruptcy law, there are circumstances under which the debtor would be permitted to cure the entire monetary default that gave rise to the judgment for possession, after the judgment for possession was entered, and Debtor has included with this petition the deposit with the court of any rent that would become due during the 30-day period after the filing of the petition. Debtor certifies that he/she has served the Landlord with this certification. (11 U.S.C. § 362(1)).

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Voluntary Petition

Name of Debtor(s):

Voluntary 1 etition						
(This page must be completed and filed in every case)	Alan G. Dowdy					
	Signatures					
Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)  I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this	Signature of a Foreign Representative					
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	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.)					
proceed under chapter 7.  [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)	☐ I request relief in accordance with chapter 15 of title 11, United States  Code. Certified copies of the documents required by 11 U.S.C. § 1515 are attached.					
I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.	Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1511, I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11 specified in this petition. A certified copy of the order granting recognition of the foreign main proceeding is attached.					
X /s/ Alan G. Dowdy	-   x					
Signature of Debtor ${f X}$	(Signature of Foreign Representative)					
Signature of Joint Debtor	(Printed name of Foreign Representative)					
Telephone Number (if not represented by attorney)	11/19/2008					
11/19/2008	(Date)					
Date Signature of Attorney*						
X /s/ Kerry D. Hettinger  Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)  Kerry D. Hettinger P53569  Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s)  Hettinger & Hettinger, P.C  Firm Name  200 Admiral Avenue  Address	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 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 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 of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required in that section. Official Form 19 is attached.					
Portage MI 49002 269-344-1100	Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer					
Telephone Number  11/19/2008 Date  *In a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, this signature also constitutes a certification that the attorney has no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules is incorrect.	Social-Security number (If the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the Social-Security number of the officer, principal, responsible person or partner of the bankruptcy petition preparer.) (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.)  Address					
Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)	X					
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 on behalf of the debtor.  The debtor requests the relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.  X  Signature of Authorized Individual	Date Signature of bankruptcy petition preparer or officer, principal, responsible person, or partner whose Social-Security number is provided above.  Names and Social-Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual.					
Printed Name of Authorized Individual	If more than one person prepared this document attach additional sheets					
	If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.					
Title of Authorized Individual 11/19/2008	A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of 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.					
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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

n re .	Alan	G.	Dowdy				Case No.		
							Chapter	11	
=				Debtor(s)					

## 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.

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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.
2. Within the 180 days <b>before the filing of my bankruptcy case,</b> 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 I 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. [Must be accompanied by a motion for determination by the court.] [Summarize exigent circumstances here.]

If the court is satisfied with the reasons stated in your motion, it will send you an order approving your request. You must still obtain the credit counseling briefing within the first 30 days after you file your bankruptcy case and promptly file a certificate from the agency that provided the briefing, together with a copy of any debt management plan developed through the agency. Any extension of the 30-day deadline can be granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days. A motion for extension must be filed within the 30-day period. Failure to fulfill these requirements may result in dismissal of your case. If the court is not satisfied with your reasons for filing your bankruptcy case without first receiving a credit counseling briefing, your case may be dismissed.

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/ Alan G. Dowdy

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11/19/2008

Date:

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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re	Alan	G.	Dowdy	7			Case No.
	fdba	A	Grant	Associates,	LLC		Chapter 11
						/ Debtor	
	Attorney	/ for	Debtor:	Kerry D. Het	ttinger	_	

#### STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 2016(B)

The undersigned, pursuant to Rule 2016(b), Bankruptcy Rules, states that:

- 1. The undersigned is the attorney for the debtor(s) in this case.
- 2. The compensation paid or agreed to be paid by the debtor(s), to the undersigned is:
- 3. \$ 1,039.00 of the filing fee in this case has been paid.
- 4. The Services rendered or to be rendered include the following:
  - a) Analysis of the financial situation, and rendering advice and assistance to the debtor(s) in determining whether to file a petition under title 11 of the United States Code.
  - b) Preparation and filing of the petition, schedules, statement of financial affairs and other documents required by the court.
  - c) Representation of the debtor(s) at the meeting of creditors.
- 5. The source of payments made by the debtor(s) to the undersigned was from earnings, wages and compensation for services performed, and

None other

6. The source of payments to be made by the debtor(s) to the undersigned for the unpaid balance remaining, if any, will be from earnings, wages and compensation for services performed, and

None other

7. The undersigned has received no transfer, assignment or pledge of property from debtor(s) except the following for the value stated:

None

8. The undersigned has not shared or agreed to share with any other entity, other than with members of undersigned's law firm, any compensation paid or to be paid except as follows:

None

Dated: 11/19/2008 Respectfully submitted,

X/s/ Kerry D. Hettinger
Attorney for Petitioner: Kerry D. Hettinger
Hettinger & Hettinger, P.C
200 Admiral Avenue
Portage MI 49002

269-344-1100

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#### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

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

In accordance with § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, this notice: (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.

#### 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.

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.

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

#### Chapter 7: 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 fling 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

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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.

#### Chapter 11: 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 Trustee, 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 Printed name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer Date Address: Signature of Attorney **Certificate of the Debtor** I (We), the debtor(s), affirm that I (we) have received and read this notice. Signature of Debtor Printed Name(s) of Debtor(s) Date Case No. (if known) Signature of Joint Debtor (if any)