

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

Voluntary Petition

Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle):
Law Offices of John Ventura, P.C.

Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse) (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./Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all):
74-2753072

Last four digits of Soc. Sec./Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all):

Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City, and State):
**62 E. Price Road
Brownsville, TX**

Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. & Street, City, and State):

ZIPCODE **78521**

ZIPCODE

County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business:
Cameron

County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business:

Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from street address):
**62 E. Price Road
Brownsville, TX**

Mailing Address of Joint Debtor (if different from street address):

ZIPCODE **78521**

ZIPCODE

Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor (if different from street address above):

ZIPCODE

Type of Debtor (Form of Organization) (Check one box.) <input type="checkbox"/> Individual (includes Joint Debtors) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation (includes LLC and LLP) <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Other (If debtor is not one of the above entities, check this box and provide the information requested below.) State type of entity:	Nature of Business (Check all applicable boxes.) <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Business <input type="checkbox"/> Single Asset Real Estate as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B) <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad <input type="checkbox"/> Stockbroker <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Clearing Bank <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit Organization qualified under 15 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)	Chapter of Bankruptcy Code Under Which the Petition is Filed (Check one box) <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Main Proceeding <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Nonmain Proceeding
Filing Fee (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Filing Fee attached <input type="checkbox"/> 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. <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee waiver requested (Applicable to chapter 7 individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration. See Official Form 3B.		Nature of Debts (Check one box) <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer/Non-Business <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business
		Chapter 11 Debtors Check one box: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a small business debtor as defined by 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is not a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). Check if: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor's aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts owed to non-insiders or affiliates are less than \$2 million.

Statistical/Administrative Information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors. <input type="checkbox"/> 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 ONLY
Estimated Number of Creditors 1-49 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 50-99 <input type="checkbox"/> 100-199 <input type="checkbox"/> 200-999 <input type="checkbox"/> 1,000-5,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 5,001-10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 10,001-25,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 25,001-50,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 50,001-100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> OVER 100,000 <input type="checkbox"/>	
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Prior Bankruptcy Case Filed Within Last 8 Years (If more than two, attach additional sheet)

Location Where Filed:	Case Number:	Date Filed:
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Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner or Affiliate of this Debtor (If more than one, attach additional sheet)

Name of Debtor:	Case Number:	Date Filed:
District:	Relationship:	Judge:

<p style="text-align: center;">Exhibit A</p> <p>(To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under chapter 11.)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Exhibit B</p> <p>(To be completed if debtor is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts.)</p> <p>I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I 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.</p> <p>I further certify that I delivered to the debtor the notice required by § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.</p> <p style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold; margin-left: 0;">X</p> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 50px;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Date</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">Exhibit C</p> <p>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?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Certification Concerning Debt Counseling by Individual/Joint Debtor(s)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I/we have received approved budget and credit counseling during the 180-day period preceding the filing of this petition.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I/we request a waiver of the requirement to obtain budget and credit counseling prior to filing based on exigent circumstances. (Must attach certification describing.)</p>
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Information Regarding the Debtor (Check the Applicable Boxes)

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 or 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.

Statement 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 in 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.

Voluntary Petition

(This page must be completed and filed in every case)

Name of Debtor(s): **Law Offices of John Ventura, P.C.**

Signatures

Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)

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.
[If no attorney represents me and no bankruptcy petition preparer signs the petition] I have obtained and read the notice required by § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

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X _____

Telephone Number (If not represented by an attorney)

Date

Signature of a Foreign Representative

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. Certified copies of the documents required by § 1515 of title 11 are attached.

Pursuant to § 1511 of title 11, United States Code, 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 _____

(Signature of Foreign Representative)

(Printed Name of Foreign Representative)

(Date)

Signature of Attorney

X /s/ John Vardeman
John Vardeman Bar No. **20496260**

Law Office of Michael B. Schmidt
555 N. Carancahua Ste. 1550
Corpus Christi, TX 78478

Phone No. **(361) 884-9949** Fax No. **(361) 884-6000**

05/15/2006
Date

Signature of Non-Attorney Petition Preparer

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 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 19B is attached.

Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

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.)

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 on behalf of the debtor.

The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

Law Offices of John Ventura, P.C.

X /s/ Ellen C. Stone, President of Law Offices

Ellen C. Stone, President of Law Offices
Printed Name of Authorized Individual
of John Ventura, P.C. Tax ID. 74-2753072
Title of Authorized Individual

05/15/2006
Date

Address

X _____

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:

If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.

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).

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION**

IN RE:

Law Offices of John Ventura, P.C.

Debtor(s)

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Case No. _____

Chapter 11

**DECLARATION FOR ELECTRONIC FILING OF
BANKRUPTCY PETITION AND MASTER MAILING LIST (MATRIX)**

PART I: DECLARATION OF PETITIONER:

As an individual debtor in this case, or as the individual authorized to act on behalf of the corporation, partnership, or limited liability company seeking bankruptcy relief in this case, I hereby request relief as, or on behalf of, the debtor in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in the petition to be filed electronically in this case. I have read the information provided in the petition and in the lists of creditors to be filed electronically in this case and I HEREBY DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY that the information provided therein, as well as the social security information disclosed in this document, is true and correct. I understand that this Declaration is to be filed with the Bankruptcy Court within five (5) business days after the petition and lists of creditors have been filed electronically. I understand that a failure to file the signed original of this Declaration will result in the dismissal of my case.

- [Only include for Chapter 7 individual petitioners whose debts are primarily consumer debts] --*
I am an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and who 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 chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7.
- [Only include if petitioner is a corporation, partnership or limited liability company] --*
I hereby further declare under penalty of perjury that I have been authorized to file the petition and lists of creditors on behalf of the debtor in this case.

Date: 05/15/2006

/s/ Ellen C. Stone, President of Law Offices
Ellen C. Stone, President of Law Offices
of John Ventura, P.C. Tax ID. 74-2753072

PART II: DECLARATION OF ATTORNEY:

I declare UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY that: (1) I will give the debtor(s) a copy of all documents referenced by Part I herein which are filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court; and (2) I have informed the debtor(s), if an individual with primarily consumer debts, 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.

Date: 05/15/2006

/s/ John Vardeman
John Vardeman, Attorney for Debtor