Bankruptcy Research Guide

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- Collier Bankruptcy Manual, 3rd Edition Revised
- Collier Forms Manual, 3rd Edition Revised
- Collier International Business Insolvency Guide
- Collier Handbook for Trustees & Debtors in Possession
- Collier Compensation, Employment & Appointment of Trustees & Professionals in Bankruptcy Cases
- Collier Bankruptcy Case Update
- Norton Bankruptcy Law & Practice 2d

**Law Reviews & Journals**

- American Bankruptcy Institute Journal
- American Bankruptcy Institute Law Review
- American Bankruptcy Law Journal
- Bankruptcy Developments Journal
- BNA® Bankruptcy Law Daily
- Lead Bankruptcy Strategist
- Real Estate Alert
- Mealey’s Litigation Report: Insurance Insolvency
- Andrews Newsletters
- Current Awareness Alert
- And more
Factual Discovery

News and Developments

Bankruptcy news stories drawn from over 25,000 premium news and business sources

- Combined News Sources
- Bankruptcy-specific News
- Bankruptcy Developments Journal
- Consumer Bankruptcy News
- BCD News and Comment
- BNA Bankruptcy Law Daily
- BNA Bankruptcy Law Reporter
- Bankruptcy Service Current Awareness Alert
- Mealey's Litigation Report: Insurance Insolvency
- Norton Bankruptcy Law Adviser
- Real Estate Alert
- The Bankruptcy Strategist Newsletter
- Bankruptcy DataSource
- Your Personal Electronic Clipping Service (ECLIPSE®) feature

Public Records

People, Businesses & Assets

- Bankruptcy Filings
- Bankruptcy DataSource
- Judgments & Liens
- Business and Corporate Information
- Civil & Criminal Filings
- Jury Verdicts & Settlements
- Licenses
- Marriage License & Divorce Records
- Person Locator
- Personal Property Records
- Real Property Records
- Government Sanctions
- UCC Filings

Primary Law

Cases

- Bankruptcy Court Decisions
- Supreme, Appeals, Appellate Panels & District Decisions
- 1st Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 2nd Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 3rd Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 4th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 5th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 6th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 7th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 8th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 9th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 10th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- 11th Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
- DC Circuit Appeals, District & Bankruptcy Decisions
Shepard’s® Citations Service
Statutes, Regulations, Legislative Histories & Court Rules
- All USCS Titles
- All CFR titles and Federal Register
- Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure
- USCS – Bankruptcy Rules and Official Forms
- USCS – Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure
- USCS – Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure
- USCS – Federal Rules of Evidence
- Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978
- Bankruptcy Tax Act of 1980
- Bankruptcy Amendments & Federal Judgeship Act of 1984
- Retiree Benefits Bankruptcy Protection Act of 1987
- Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994
- Congressional Information Service Legislative Histories
- Local Court Rules
- State Exemption Laws

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For over 100 years, Collier on Bankruptcy has been recognized as the most comprehensive and authoritative source of bankruptcy law information. Written and edited by leading scholars and practitioners in the field of bankruptcy, Collier on Bankruptcy contains comprehensive analysis of statutory and procedural bankruptcy law, conveniently organized according to substance and function. In addition to coverage of the history and overview of bankruptcy legislation, the bankruptcy court system, and procedural and jurisdictional issues, individual chapters address each of the Bankruptcy Code sections and Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. Separate volumes are devoted to commercial and consumer bankruptcy forms, exemptions, and bankruptcy taxation issues. The appendices contain relevant primary source material.

Collier Bankruptcy Manual, Third Edition Revised by Henry J. Sommer, Collier Editor-in-Chief; with contributing authors and editors
This compact desk edition of Collier on Bankruptcy, 15th Edition Revised offers clear section-by-section analysis of the Bankruptcy Code. It covers voluntary and involuntary cases, liquidation proceedings, reorganization proceedings (individual and business), case administration, the debtor’s
duties and benefits, and the role and capacity of the trustee. It discusses current case law and other bankruptcy-related law and fully correlates the viewpoints of debtors, creditors, and trustees. The Manual is an ideal resource for any Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 bankruptcy case.

**Collier Bankruptcy Case Update**
The Case Update contains concise summaries of significant bankruptcy issues in virtually all current bankruptcy cases decided by the federal courts.

**Collier Bankruptcy Exemption Guide**
by Alan N. Resnick and Henry J. Sommer, Collier Editors-in-Chief
This Guide is all-in-one volume compilation of exemptions available in every state and territory. Includes checklists of exemptions, complete text of statutory authority, text of federal non-Bankruptcy Code exemptions, current case highlights, and a research guide.

**Collier Consumer Bankruptcy Practice Guide**
by Henry J. Sommer; Alan N. Resnick and Henry J. Sommer, Collier Editors-in-Chief
This transaction-based practice guide assists you through all phases of a consumer bankruptcy case. It includes step-by-step analysis of Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 consumer bankruptcy cases, including a discussion of methods and strategies for interviewing the debtor, choosing the type of bankruptcy offering the greatest advantage to the client, agreements for and disclosure of attorney’s fees, enforcing the automatic and co-debtor stay, as well as motions for relief from the stay, claiming and objecting to exemptions, and preparing for the meeting of creditors. Written by a renowned expert in consumer bankruptcy law, this Guide is uniquely designed for solo practitioners and small consumer bankruptcy firms. Special features, such as Practice Notes, Planning Notes, Illustrations, and Warnings, highlight tactical and strategic information.

**Collier Consumer Bankruptcy Practice Guide with Forms**
Available with the purchase of the Consumer Bankruptcy Practice Guide is the one-volume Collier Consumer Bankruptcy Forms. The forms are divided into 26 “parts,” or topics, reflecting the tasks performed in a typical consumer bankruptcy case. Each part begins with editorial analysis providing guidance on the use of the forms.

**Collier Family Law and the Bankruptcy Code**
by Henry J. Sommer and Hon. Margaret Dee McGarity; Alan N. Resnick and Henry J. Sommer, Collier Editors-in-Chief
For both the general practitioner and the matrimonial specialist, a comprehensive, practice-oriented guide to the impact of bankruptcy on family law issues. Coverage includes:

- Bankruptcy court jurisdiction and state family court jurisdiction
- Determining debtor’s interest in marital property
- Issues related to community property
- Effect of Chapter 13 on alimony and support obligations
- Effect of automatic stay on ongoing family court actions
Collier Forms Manual, Third Edition Revised by Mitchell A. Seider, Henry J. Sommer, David Kupetz, and Irving Sulmeyer, Contributing Authors; Alan N. Resnick and Henry J. Sommer, Collier Editors-in-Chief
A comprehensive collection of forms for use in Chapters 7, 11, 12, and 13 cases. This publication contains two volumes of forms for commercial bankruptcies, and one for consumer bankruptcies. Explanatory notes and comments are included with the forms.

Collier Handbook for Creditors’ Committees by Irving Sulmeyer, Israel Saperstein, and Wesley H. Avery; Alan N. Resnick and Henry J. Sommer, Collier Editors-in-Chief
All the practical guidance members of a committee and their counsel need for participation in the debtor’s reorganization, with forms, letters, and more. This handbook focuses on the role, duties and powers of a creditors’ or interest holders’ committee in a Chapter 11 case and presents procedural information to enable such a committee to function effectively. Although the emphasis is on Chapter 11, there is also coverage of the creditors’ committee in a Chapter 7 liquidation case and in a nonbankruptcy workout.

Collier Handbook for Trustees and Debtors in Possession by Irving Sulmeyer, Israel Saperstein, Wesley H. Avery, D. M. Lynn, Michael R. Rochelle, and Sander L. Esserman; Alan N. Resnick and Henry J. Sommer, Collier Editors-in-Chief
Two valuable handbooks in one affordable volume provide the expert advice trustees, debtors, and practitioners need to negotiate the maze of bankruptcy law and procedure.

Part 1, the Handbook for Trustees, defines the role, powers, rights, and duties of each type of trustee under Chapters 7, 9, 11, 12, and 13 of the Code. It spells out the trustee’s terms of employment — including appointment, election, removal, termination, discharge, and compensation — and analyzes problems trustees may encounter in each type of bankruptcy proceeding. It also covers operational considerations and debtor relationships with government agencies, and explains the unique problems facing standing trustees in Chapter 12 and 13 cases.

Part 2, the Handbook for Debtors in Possession, leads you through the Chapter 11 process from start to finish. It explains how a debtor in possession functions, spells out the debtor’s rights, powers, duties, and responsibilities, and steers you through the proper day-by-day procedures for operating a business in Chapter 11.

Collier TopForm Bankruptcy Filing Program, CD-ROM (Windows® Version)
From client interviews to electronic court filings, this software helps you manage bankruptcies. It’s never been faster or easier to prepare crisp, neat bankruptcy forms that are virtually identical to the Official Forms. This intuitive program puts the power of your personal computer to work and allows you to generate all the forms required to complete filings under Chapters 7, 11, 12, and 13 on behalf of individual, joint, corporate, and partnership debtors. TopForm goes beyond the initial filing and prepares the Proof of Claim form as well as post-petition motions, orders, and notices. It even includes form letters to clients’ creditors.
Collier Local Bankruptcy Court Rules
Printed in separate, easy-to-carry softbound format for each judicial circuit, these pamphlets provide the local bankruptcy rules, forms, general and administrative orders, memoranda, and other relevant procedural information for each federal judicial district and bankruptcy appellate panel.

Collier Pamphlet Edition
Commentary by Alan N. Resnick, Henry J. Sommer, Mary Davies Scott, and Lawrence P. King
Be confident you’re working with current, authoritative information, whether you’re in the office or in the courtroom. This indispensable resource provides desktop access to the full text of the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure in an easy-to-use, quick-reference format. Two handy pamphlets give you the Code and rules and describe their impact and interrelation, with expert commentary, analysis, and case notes. The third volume is completely portable, yet contains the full text of the Code and rules.

Bankruptcy Law and Practice, Seventh Edition by Daniel R. Cowans, with Mark C. Ellenberg, Russell W. Savory, and Elizabeth Van Horn
Cited in state and federal courts, Bankruptcy Law and Practice explains clearly the rules and jargon of bankruptcy law, enabling non-specialists and staff to quickly grasp essential terms and concepts. It covers comprehensively all the statutes, cases, and rules, from the debtor’s, creditor’s, trustee’s, and judge’s perspectives.

Additional Bankruptcy Sources
Along with Collier, you’ll find these other valuable bankruptcy sources on the LexisNexis services:

BNA Bankruptcy Law Daily
BNA Bankruptcy Law Daily provides the earliest notification of state and federal court decisions and legislative and regulatory actions relating to bankruptcy law. Coverage includes reports on recent filings and motions.

Combined Bankruptcy Filings
Group source of personal and business bankruptcy filings from all 50 states, District of Columbia, Guam and Puerto Rico. All U.S. Bankruptcy Courts are contained in this file. Date coverage varies by court. The earliest coverage is January 1987, for Bankruptcy Courts in New York and Texas.

Bankruptcy Data Source – Company Profiles, News and Reorganization Plans
Group source of profiles, reorganization plans and other news concerning U.S. companies with more than $50 million in assets that have filed for bankruptcy protection.

LRP Publications – Bankruptcy Sources
Group source of newsletters from LRP’s Consumer Bankruptcy News and BCD News and Comment.
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2. Scroll through the displayed list until Bankruptcy appears.
3. Highlight Bankruptcy and click Add.

A fifth tab for Bankruptcy will now appear on your source selection screen. Just click the tab to display the full selection of corporate sources.

Here are some of the specific corporate sources you’ll find.

Collier Products

Key Sources

- Collier on Bankruptcy, 15th Ed. Rev.
- Collier Bankruptcy Practice Guide
- Collier Business Workout Guide
- Collier Handbook for Creditors’ Committees
- Collier International Business Insolvency Guide
- Collier Lending Institutions & the Bankruptcy Code
- Collier Real Estate Transactions & the Bankruptcy Code

To locate discussion of a particular section of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, such as section 304 on Cases Ancillary to Foreign Proceedings

PATH: Legal > Bankruptcy > Collier on Bankruptcy, 15th Ed. Rev.
SEARCH: heading(304)
OR you can browse the table of contents:

1. Click the + sign next to Chapter 3, Bankruptcy Code, Case Administration.
2. Click the + sign next to Subchapter One Commencement of a Case.
3. Click Chapter 304 Cases Ancillary to Foreign Proceedings.

To find extensive discussion of the court’s power to alter membership of a committee, as well as relevant forms:

PATH: Legal > Bankruptcy > Treatises & Analytical Materials > Matthew Bender® > Collier Handbook For Creditors’ Committees
SEARCH: remove /10 committee /10 member

OR you can browse the table of contents, Chapter 6: Changing the Membership of a Chapter 11 Creditors’ Committee, to pinpoint the most relevant section.

To locate forms, you can turn to the Collier Forms Manual or one of our relevant specialty titles. For example, to locate a sample motion of a Creditors’ Committee challenging the retainer paid to Counsel for Debtor in Possession:

PATH: Legal > Bankruptcy Treatises & Analytical Materials > Matthew Bender > Collier Compensation, Employment and Appointment of Trustees and Professionals
SEARCH: committee AND motion AND retainer AND excessive

Use the Book Browse and Explore features to navigate our treatises. Want to browse as if you are flipping through the pages of the book? From your cite list, go into one of the documents and click on Book Browse at the center top of the screen. This will allow you to move forward or back through the treatise sequentially. If you want to quickly review or jump to the subsections of a document you are in, click on Explore on the lower left side of the screen. This will show you all of the subparts of this document and allow you to jump directly to any portion. As you scroll down, if there are further subparts, these will pop up to the right.

With hyperlinks, you can click directly into any sources highlighted such as Cases, Codes, Rules and other Collier sources.

**Assets and Liens**

**Key Sources**
- Combined Judgments and Liens Filings and UCC Lien Filings
- Combined Deed Transfers, Tax Assessor Records and Mortgage Records
- LexisNexis® SmartLinx™

Determine the assets and liabilities of the debtor, officers and directors, possible buyers or other relevant individuals and companies.

Find out what judgments and liens there are against the debtor:

PATH: Public Records > Combined Judgment and Liens Filings and UCC Lien Filings
SEARCH:* debtor(bebemoth electronics)

Real-property holdings of an individual or company:

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- County tax-assessor and real property records, deed transfers and mortgage filings
- Secretary of State corporation, limited partnership, and limited liability corporation information
- DBA/fictitious business names
- UCC filings, judgments, and liens
- Bankruptcy filings
- Business credit reports and company profiles
- Person and business locator information, including driver's license, white pages, U.S. Census, and voter facts
- Motor vehicle, aircraft and boat registrations

**Company Information**

**Key Sources**

- Hoover’s Company Records
- D&B® Business Reports
- Standard & Poor’s Corporate Descriptions Plus News, and Daily News
- Directory of Corporate Affiliations™
- LexisNexis® Company Analyzer
- LexisNexis® Company Dossier
- News Group Files

Gain invaluable insight on the business structure, major players, history and financials of the debtor, creditors, possible buyers, or lenders.

For an overview of the company including its executives, financials, competition and history:

**PATH:** News & Business > Company & Financial > Company Profiles & Directories > Individual Publications > Hoover’s Company Records - In-Depth Records

**SEARCH:**

- `company(behemoth)`

For detailed financial information and analysis on a company from Dun & Bradstreet® including payment analysis and supplier evaluation:

**PATH:** News & Business > D&B Business Reports

**SEARCH:**

- `behemoth electronics`

For an overview of the company plus bond ratings and descriptions:

**PATH:** News & Business > Standard & Poor’s Corporate Descriptions Plus News, and Daily News

**SEARCH:**

- `company(behemoth)`

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To identify corporate relationships:

**PATH:** News & Business > Directory of Corporate Affiliations

**SEARCH:** `ultimate-parent (abc telecommunications)`

You can simplify your due diligence research with LexisNexis Company Analyzer, a product that allows you to run a single search through approximately 40 types of sources including critical public records and information from Standard and Poor’s, Dun & Bradstreet, Hoover’s, and many others. The results are displayed in an easy-to-read, partitioned report.

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**News**

To search through the LexisNexis database of more than 13,000 news sources to find any articles and/or transcripts that mention the debtor:

**PATH:** News & Business > News Group File, All

**SEARCH:** `blead(abc telecommunications)`

To search for articles in journals and news sources in a particular industry:

**PATH:** News & Business > Market & Industry > By Industry & Topic > Choose industry, e.g., Telecommunications and then choose source(s)

**SEARCH:** `blead(abc telecommunications)`

Use the ECLIPSE feature to update your results automatically on a daily, business daily (Monday – Friday), weekly, or monthly basis. Just enter a search, review your results and click **Save As ECLIPSE** to set up your automatic update. The news sources can be especially helpful in finding information about private companies.

**Bankruptcies**

**Key Sources**
- Combined Bankruptcy Filings
- Bankruptcy Datasource — Company Profiles, News and Reorganization Plans
- Newsworthy Litigation Documents
- LexisNexis® CourtLink®

**Filings**

To find out if, and in what court, a company has filed for bankruptcy:

**PATH:** Bankruptcy > Combined Bankruptcy Filings

**SEARCH:** `abc telecommunications`

To determine bankruptcies in which a particular law firm, attorney or trustee has been involved:

**PATH:** Bankruptcy > Combined Bankruptcy Filings

**SEARCH:** `john /3 smith`
Cases
To find details on the status of a particular bankruptcy case:

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > Bankruptcy Datasource - Company Profiles, News and Reorganization Plans

**SEARCH:** *abc telecommunications*

**OR**

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > LRP Publications - Bankruptcy Stories

**SEARCH:** *abc telecommunications*

**OR**

**PATH:** News & Business > News Group File, All

**SEARCH:** *blead(abc telecommunications)*

Reorganization Plans
To review summaries of reorganization plans in a particular industry, e.g., gaming:

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > Company & Financial Information > Bankruptcy Datasource - Plans of Reorganization

**SEARCH:** *publication(plan summary)* AND casino

Court & Other Documents
To find documents related to the largest bankruptcy cases:

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > Newsworthy Litigation Documents (Select the case)

**OR**

From the bankruptcy practice page, click on the case name under the main heading of Recent News & Legal Developments.

Access more than 200 million court records
Would you like to be notified when a particular debtor files or when a new motion is filed in your case?

Would you like to review an opponent’s motions in prior cases relating to a contentious issue in your current case?

LexisNexis CourtLink provides online access to more than 200 million court records and filings. CourtLink® offers unique docket searching tools, complete case filings, tracking capability and an indispensable Alert feature that notifies you of new filings that correspond to criteria you provide (debtor’s name, Social Security or tax ID number, for example).

LexisNexis More Like This Headnote
Are there more headnotes like this in other cases? Once you find a relevant LexisNexis® Headnote:

1. Click the More Like This link at the end of the headnote.
2. Choose your jurisdiction (The jurisdiction in which you were searching is the default.). You may restrict your search to particular dates (optional). Click Search.
3. Review your results in the Virtual Digest view — a view that includes retrieved headnotes and the most closely matched paragraphs in the opinion.

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Bankruptcy News

Key Sources

- Bankruptcy Datasource – Company Profiles, News and Reorganization Plans
- LRP Publications – Bankruptcy Sources
- News Group Files
- Newsworthy Litigation Documents
- Bankruptcy Law Newsletters
- BNA Bankruptcy Law Daily

Cases

To find details on the status of a particular bankruptcy case:

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > Bankruptcy Datasource - Company Profiles, News and Reorganization Plans
**SEARCH:** abc telecommunications

**OR**

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > LRP Publications - Bankruptcy Stories
**SEARCH:** abc telecommunications

**OR**

**PATH:** News & Business > News Group File, All
**SEARCH:** blead(abc telecommunications)

To find documents related to the largest bankruptcy cases:

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > Newsworthy Litigation Documents (Select case)

**OR**

From the bankruptcy practice page, click on the case name under the main heading of Recent News & Legal Developments.

General Bankruptcy News

To follow general developments and trends related to a specific topic:

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > Bankruptcy Law Newsletters
**SEARCH:** bankruptcy reform legislation

**OR**

**PATH:** News & Business > News Group File, Most Recent Two Years
**SEARCH:** blead(bankruptcy reform legislation)

**OR**

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > Treatises & Analytical Materials > BNA > BNA Bankruptcy Law Daily
**SEARCH:** bankruptcy reform legislation

To review the latest bankruptcy related news articles, go to the bankruptcy practice page and click on today’s news under the main heading of Recent News & Legal Developments.

Want to review the latest bankruptcy decisions? Go to the bankruptcy practice page and click on recent cases under the main heading of Recent News & Legal Developments.

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**Cases and Court Rules**

**Key Sources**
- U.S. Supreme Court, USAPP, DIST and Bankruptcy Courts Cases
- USCS – Bankruptcy Rules and Official Bankruptcy Forms
- Individual Federal Trial Local Court Rules

**Case Law**
Find cases by party, judge or attorney’s name(s):

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > US Supreme Court, USAPP, DIST and Bankruptcy Courts Cases
**SEARCH:** opinionby(aug)

**Find cases by topic:**

**PATH:** Legal > US Supreme Court, USAPP, DIST and Bankruptcy Courts Cases
**SEARCH:** core-terms(lift! AND automatic stay) AND headnotes(lift! AND automatic stay)

Lexis® Search Advisor is another useful source to locate cases on a specific bankruptcy topic. For example:
1. Click the Search Advisor tab
2. Click Bankruptcy.
3. Click Automatic Stay
4. Select a jurisdiction from the pull-down menu.
5. Type in your search request.
6. Click Search.

Your search will be run in documents that were selected due to their relevance to the topic of automatic stays in a bankruptcy proceeding.

Want to review the latest bankruptcy decisions? Go to the bankruptcy practice page and click on recent cases under the main heading of Recent News & Legal Developments.

**U.S. Court Rules**
To search on a topic without searching in the annotations:

**PATH:** Legal > Bankruptcy > USCS - Bankruptcy Rules and Official Bankruptcy Forms
**SEARCH:** unanno (compensat! OR reimburs! /10 expense)

**Local Court Rules**

**PATH:** Legal > Federal Legal-U.S. > Court Rules > Individual Federal Trial Local Court Rules (Choose Jurisdiction)
**SEARCH:** attorney /5 fee
Code and Legislation

Key Sources
• USCS – Bankruptcy – Titles 11, 18, 28
• Congressional Bills and Bill Tracking – Current Congress
• Legislative Histories

Statutes
To search bankruptcy-related Code sections by topic:

PATH: Legal > Bankruptcy > USCS - Bankruptcy - Titles 11, 18, 28
SEARCH: trustee /20 assum! OR reject! /20 contract

Legislation
To find the full text of a bill or a bill-tracking report for a bill:

PATH: Legal > Legislation & Politics > U.S. Congress > Congressional Bills and Bill Tracking - Current Congress
SEARCH: b.r. 2120

Want to review recent bankruptcy-related legislation or do you need to check the status of a pending bill? Go to the bankruptcy practice page and click on recent & pending legislation under the main heading of Recent News & Legal Developments.

To review the legislative history of a bankruptcy statute:

PATH: Legal > Bankruptcy > Statutes and Legislative Materials > (Choose the relevant bankruptcy statute)
SEARCH: production payments

To find a Congressional Committee Report:

PATH: Legal > Legislation & Politics > U.S. Congress > Committee Reports
SEARCH: title(bankruptcy)
Bankruptcy Sources

**Online Sources**

**Cases and Court Rules**
- U.S. Supreme Court, USAPP, DIST and Bankruptcy Courts Cases
- U.S. Courts Bankruptcy Cases
- U.S. Bankruptcy Courts Cases
- USAPP, DIST and Bankruptcy Court Cases by Federal Circuit
- Decisions in the Federated Department Stores Bankruptcy & Related Cases
- Ontario Superior Court of Justice - Division in Bankruptcy
- USCS – Bankruptcy Rules and Official Bankruptcy Forms
- USCS – Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure
- USCS – Federal Rules of Civil Procedure
- USCS – Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure
- USCS – Federal Rules of Evidence

**Statutes & Legislative Materials**
- Bankruptcy Acts 1978, 80, 84, 86, and 87, Miscellaneous Bankruptcy Legislative History, and Congressional Record Documents
- Bankruptcy Legislative Histories - Miscellaneous Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978 - Acts, Bills, Reports, & Public Laws
- Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994
- Congressional Record - Bankruptcy
- Retiree Benefits Bankruptcy Protection Act of 1987
- Sarbanes-Oxley Corporate Reform
- U.S. - CIS Legislative Histories - Bankruptcy
- USCS - Bankruptcy - Titles 11, 18, 28

**Administrative Materials & Regulations**

- CFR and Federal Register
- CFR – Code of Federal Regulations
- Federal Register

**Law Reviews and Journals**

- Bankruptcy Publications
- American Bankruptcy Institute Journal
- American Bankruptcy Institute Law Review
- American Bankruptcy Law Journal
- Bankruptcy Developments Journal
- CourtLink
- My CourtLink
- CourtLink Strategic Profiles
- CourtLink Search

**Treatises and Secondary Materials**

- BNA Bankruptcy Law Daily
- BNA Bankruptcy Law Reporter
- Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice 2d
- Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice 2d Table of Contents
- Collier on Bankruptcy 15th Edition Revised
- Collier Bankruptcy Exemptions
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Collier on Bankruptcy Taxation  
Collier Pamphlet Edition  
Collier Real Estate Transactions & the Bankruptcy Code  
Commercial Loan Documentation Guide  

General News & Information  
The New York Times – Bankruptcy Law Stories  

Legal News  
Bankruptcy Law Newsletters  
LRP Publications – Bankruptcy Stories  
Mealey’s Litigation Report: Insurance Insolvency  
The Bankruptcy Strategist  
Bankruptcy Service Current Awareness Alert  
Norton Bankruptcy Law Advisor  
Preview of United States Supreme Court Cases  
Orange County Bankruptcy  

Legal Reference Materials  
Legal Dictionaries, Combined  
Martindale-Hubbell® Law Directory - Bankruptcy Law Listings  

Newsworthy Litigation Documents  
Enron Corp. Selected Documents & Pleadings  
Newsworthy Litigation Documents  
WorldCom, Inc. Selected Bankruptcy Filings & Related Documents  

Filings  
Combined Uniform Commercial Code Liens Filings  
D&B Uniform Commercial Code Liens Filings  
Combined Bankruptcy Filings  
Individual State Bankruptcy Filings  
Individual State Uniform Commercial Code Lien Filings  

Company & Financial Information  
Bankruptcy DataSource – Company Profiles, News and Reorganization Plans  
Bankruptcy DataSource – Data Pages  
Bankruptcy DataSource – Plans of Reorganization  
Bankruptcy DataSource – News Notes  

Other Sources of Bankruptcy Related Information  
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