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The statutory procedure, usually triggered by insolvency, by which a person is relieved of most debts and undergoes a judicially supervised reorganization or liquidation for the benefit of that person's creditors.

Black's Law Dictionary

Reporters and Digests

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KF 1520 .C64 1979 Bankruptcy law reporter. Chicago: CCH, c1979- . First three editions published under title: Bankruptcy law service. Loose-leaf service.

KF 1515 .A8 W472 West's bankruptcy digest. St. Paul, Minn.: West Pub. Co., 1988- . Allows the researcher to find particular kinds of bankruptcy cases. Arranged by topic and "key number" providing references to cases published in West's Bankruptcy Reporter and bankruptcy cases published in other West reporter volumes. Supplemented with pocket parts and pamphlets. *Updates cancelled 1/06*.

Treatises

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KF 1521 .U54 2000 Bankruptcy forms manual. 2nd ed. [Washington, D.C.: Administrative Office of the United States Courts, 2000].

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KF 1546 .F35 A95 1987 Anderson, John C. and Morris, Jeffrey W. Chapter 12 farm reorganizations. Colorado Springs, Colo.: Shepard's/McGraw-Hill, c1987. Loose-leaf service.

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KF 294.A3 W3 no.2213 Carruthers, Bruce G. The globalization of insolvency law-making, 1973-1998. Chicago, Ill.: American Bar Foundation, [2003].

KF 1520 .C62x 1979 Collier, William Miller; King, Lawrence P., Eds. Collier on bankruptcy. 15th Ed., Rev. New York: Matthew Bender, 1979. Periodic supplementation. 15 vols. Generally considered to be the best, and most detailed, analysis of bankruptcy law. This multi-volume loose-leaf set provides commentary on bankruptcy law, including such topics as: history of bankruptcy law, case administration, creditors, debtors, the estate, liquidation, adjustment of debts of a municipality, reorganization, adjustment of debts of family farmers, adjustment of debts of individuals, state exemptions and bankruptcy rules. The set has a general index, forms index, table of cases, tables of statutes, and appendix volumes with the statute and legislative history.

KF 1527 .C64 1998 Cowans, Daniel R. Bankruptcy law and practice. 7th ed. Charlottesville, Va.: Lexis Law Publishing, c1998. 5 vols. Supplementation. This multi-volume treatise provides information on such topics as: bankruptcy court jurisdiction, bankruptcy procedures, non-dischargeable debts, what property the debtor may keep, administrative powers, taxation, involuntary bankruptcy, businesses, appeals, adjustments of debt under Chapter 13 and Chapter 11 reorganization. *Updated to 2004.*

KF 1524 .D72 Drake, W. Homer Jr. and Morris, Jeffrey W. Chapter 13 practice and procedure. Colorado Springs, Colo.: Shepard's/McGraw-Hill, 1983. Loose-leaf. *Periodic supplementation.*

KF 1524 .D7 1995 Drake, W. Homer. Bankruptcy practice for the general practitioner 3d ed. New York: McGraw-Hill Co., 1995- . 2 vols. This loose-leaf set includes chapters on: the background of the code, the United States trustee, obtaining relief from a bankruptcy court, jurisdiction and venue, the debtor's estate, creditors and claims, estate administration and powers, officers of the estate, liquidation, reorganization, Chapter 13, and Chapter 12. It includes an index and forms.

KF 1544 .D72 Drake, W. Homer. Chapter 11 reorganizations. [St. Paul, MN]: West Group, c1998- . One volume loose-leaf. *Annual supplementation.*

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KF 1024 .H63 2004 Hobbs, Robert J. Fair debt collection. 5th ed. Boston, MA: National Consumer Law Center, 2004. *Yearly supplementation*. CD-ROM included.

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KF 9025 .S67 2001 Spero, Peter. Asset protection: legal planning, strategies and forms. Valhalla, NY: Warren Gorham & Lamont of RIA, c2001. *Updates cancelled 7/05*.

KF 1524 .F86 2006 Treister, George M. Fundamentals of bankruptcy law. 6th ed. Philadelphia, Pa.: American Law Institute-American Bar Association Committee on Continuing Professional Education, c2006.

KF 62 .A4 United States code annotated. St. Paul, West Group, 1927- and **KF 62 .S4** United States code service. Charlottesville, VA, LEXIS-NEXIS, 1972. Covers Title 11 Bankruptcy in each code has its own index, and each code section has numerous case annotations plus references to other research aids.

Kansas Materials

KF 8821.K2 A3 2006 Rules of practice and procedure for district and bankruptcy court /United States District Court District of Kansas. [Kansas City, Kan.: The Court], 2006.

KFK 221.A75 B35 1998 Bankruptcy law : staying afloat in the flood of changes. [Topeka, Kan.]: The Association, 1998. Materials prepared for Kansas Bar Association continuing legal education seminar held April 3, 1998 in Wichita, Kansas.

KFK 221.A75 K37 2001 Kansas bankruptcy law: Kansas' premier bankruptcy seminar. Kansas Bar Association. [Topeka, Kan.]: The Association, c2001.

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KFK 221.A75 H82 1993 Clark, Bruce J. How to protect secured interests in bankruptcy in Kansas. Eau Claire, Wis.: National Business Institute, c1993.

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KFK 221.A75 B37 1990 Rajala, Eric C. Basic bankruptcy in Kansas. Eau Claire, Wis.: National Business Institute, c1990.

Journals

KF 1520 .B36 Bankruptcy Service: Lawyers Edition. [United States : s.n.], 1981-

KF 1507.1 .A5 Norton, William L. Annual Survey of Bankruptcy Law. Clark Boardman Callaghan, 1979-2004.

Databases

Westlaw:

- Andrews Bankruptcy Litigation Reporter (ANBKRLR)
- Bankruptcy Desk Guide (BKR-BDG)
- Bankruptcy Practice Handbook (BKRPRACHB)
- Bankruptcy Reform Act Combined (BKRA-ALL)
- Commercial Bankruptcy Litigation (COMBANKLT)
- Federal Materials Combined (FBKR-ALL)
- Reorganizations Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (REORG11B)
- Representing the Bankruptcy Taxpayer (IRS-REPBNK)
- Bankruptcy DataSource (BKRDATASOURCE)
- Bankruptcy Filings - Individual State
- UCC Filings - Individual States

LEXIS offers the Bankruptcy Library (BKRTCY) with the following subject areas: (1) Federal Material; (2) Collier on Bankruptcy 15th edition; (3) Bankruptcy Datasource; (4) Bankruptcy Filings; (5) Uniform Commercial Code Filings; (6) Accounting and Audit Literature; (7) Publications and (8) Legal Newsletters. Lexis also offers the Bankruptcy Filings Library (INSOLV), which includes Bankruptcy filings covering Chapters 7, 11, 12, and 13, from most divisions of the United States. Included are the Kansas bankruptcy filings for all districts from January 1992. If you are interested in obtaining more information on either the BKRTCY or INSOLV libraries, call 1-800-455-3947.

Internet

FindLaw - Laws (Bankruptcy Decisions)

http://www.findlaw.com/10fedgov/judicial/bankruptcy_courts.html

Bankruptcy Code (Title 11)

<http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/11/>

FindLaw: Legal Subjects: Bankruptcy Law

<http://www.findlaw.com/01topics/03bankruptcy/index.html>

Legal Information Institute: Bankruptcy Law Materials

<http://chrome.law.cornell.edu/liid/wex/Bankruptcy>

InterNet Bankruptcy Library

<http://bankrupt.com/>

Bankruptcy Lawfinder

<http://www.lawtrove.com/bankruptcy/>

Bankruptcy Court Directory

<http://www.bankruptcydata.com/Courts/Courts.htm>

Directory of Web Sites of United States Bankruptcy Courts

<http://www.uscourts.gov/courtlinks/>

ABI World

<http://www.abiworld.org/>

Commercial Law League of America

<http://www.clla.org/>

National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys

<http://nacba.com/>

American Board of Certification

<http://www.abeworld.org/abchome.html>

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

<http://www.fdic.gov/>

National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees

<http://www.nabt.com/>

National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees

<http://www.nactt.com/>

U.S. Federal Judiciary

<http://www.uscourts.gov/>

U.S. Trustee Program Home

<http://www.usdoj.gov/ust/>

Individual Web PACER Courts

<http://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/links.pl>

PACER: U.S. Party/Case Index

<http://pacer.uspci.uscourts.gov/>

Official Bankruptcy Forms

<http://www.uscourts.gov/bkforms/index.html>

The Virtual Chase: Legal Research on the Internet

<http://www.virtualchase.com/topics/bankruptcy.shtml>

Organizations

American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI) <http://www.abiworld.org>

Provides a multidisciplinary forum for the exchange of information on bankruptcy and insolvency issues. Fosters dialogue among lawyers, business people and legislators on current and potential bankruptcy problems. Reviews existing and proposed legislation as it affects bankruptcy and insolvency. Publications: *ABI Bulletin*, *ABI Journal*, *ABI Law Review*, and *Legislative Updates*.

National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees (NABT) <http://www.nabt.com>

Attorneys, court-appointed trustees, bankers, etc. involved in bankruptcy proceedings. Seeks to help members manage their bankruptcy practices more efficiently and profitably. Publication: *NABTalk*.

National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) <http://www.ncbj.org>

Active and former bankruptcy judges promoting improvements in law practice and administration of justice in U.S. bankruptcy courts. Publication: *American Bankruptcy Law Journal*.

American College of Bankruptcy <http://www.amercol.org>

Bankruptcy attorneys, judges and professors united to recognize and honor distinguished bankruptcy professionals in an effort to set standards of achievement in the field. Publication: *College Columns Newsletter*.