satisfies all requirements regarding the certifications, or has a change of circumstances regarding §522(q)(1) applicability, the debtor may request entry of discharge by contemporaneously filing either each required certification or a motion for entry of discharge (whichever is applicable), filing a motion to reopen the case, and paying the required reopening fee.

Cross-references:

- Chapter 13—Deadline for Certification of Completion of Financial Management Course LBR 1007-1(c).
- Chapter 12 or 13—Deadline for Certification of Payment of Domestic Support Obligations and Statement re §522(q)(1) Applicability LBR 1007-1(c).
- Reaffirmation Agreements LBR 4008-1.

Rule 4008-1. Reaffirmation Agreements.

- (a) General. A debtor who wants to reaffirm a debt under §524(c) must file an agreement on OBF #B240A (preferred by the court) or OBF #B240A/B Alt no later than 60 days after the first date set for the meeting of creditors.
- **(b) Court Administration.** If a debtor does not timely file an agreement accompanied by any required cover sheet, the court may enter the debtor's discharge and promptly close the case.

Rule 4008-2. Voluntary Modification of Debt Secured by Debtor's Residence in Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Cases

- (a) Chapter 7 Cases. A mortgage creditor may negotiate a modification of its secured claim with the debtor and the debtor's attorney at any time during the pendency of a Chapter 7 case. A modification is voluntary on the part of the secured creditor and the debtor and is subject to procedures set forth in <u>LBF #751.7</u>. The court will not consider a mortgage creditor's contact with the debtor or the debtor's attorney and any negotiation to effect a modification, by themselves, to violate the automatic stay of <u>11 U.S.C. §362</u>. No modification can become effective until the trustee abandons the encumbered real property.
- (b) Chapter 13 Cases. A mortgage creditor may negotiate a modification of its secured claim with the debtor and the debtor's attorney at any time during the pendency of a Chapter 13 case. A modification is voluntary on the part of the secured creditor and the debtor. The court will not consider a mortgage creditor's contact with the debtor and the debtor's attorney

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and any negotiation to effect a modification, by themselves, to violate the automatic stay of <u>11 U.S.C. §362</u>. No modification can become effective until the trustee consents in writing or the court approves the modification.

Cross-references:

- Trustee's Abandonment of Debtor's Residence in Chapter 7 Cases LBR 6007-1(b).
- Definition of "Mortgage Creditor" LBR 9001-1(y).

Rule 5001-1. [Reserved]

Rule 5001-2. Clerk—Document Filing Location.

- **Petition.** Except in an emergency, a paper petition must be filed in the appropriate office of the court. The appropriate office is either:
 - (1) The Eugene office, at the address on the court's Web site at www.orb.uscourts.gov, for a debtor residing in or having its principal place of business in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, or Polk county.
 - (2) The Portland office, at the address on the court's Web site, for a debtor residing in or having its principal place of business in any other Oregon county.
- **(b) Other Documents.** Except in an emergency, a paper document must be filed in the office where the case or adversary proceeding is being administered.

Rule 5003-1. Clerk—General/Authority.

The clerk and designated deputies may sign and enter the following orders without further court authorization:

- (a) Requiring the filing of missing or corrected documents.
- (b) Closing case and discharging trustee in a case in which the trustee has reported the estate has no assets to administer or in which an order has been entered approving the trustee's final account.

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