Notice of Removal Case Opening

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Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 9027-1

Event: Adversary > Open an Adversary Case

A Notice of Removal in bankruptcy refers to a civil action pending in a state court or another federal court being removed to the bankruptcy court in the district in which the civil action is pending. Notice of Removal is the initiating pleading for opening a removed proceeding.

Opening a Removal Instructions

- 1) Select Adversary Menu
- 2) Select **Open an Adversary Case**
- 3) Complaint dropdown menu change to "n", click Submit
- 4) Select Counsel for plaintiff or defendant from dropdown menu, click Submit
- 5) Search for plaintiff(s) by social security number or tax identification number, or by name, click **Submit**

Note: Plaintiff(s) in the lower court case remains as plaintiff(s) in the removed case

- 6) Select party from results list and click **Select name from list**. If not listed select **Create new party**
- 7) Check that party information is correct, choose **Role in Bankruptcy Case** from the dropdown menu, click **Submit**
- 8) To add additional plaintiff(s), repeat this step, otherwise select End plaintiff selection
- 9) Search for defendant(s) by social security number or tax identification number, or by name, click Submit

Note: The attorney for the defendant will be added when the answer is filed.

- 10) Select party from results list and click **Select name from list**. If not listed select **Create new party**
- 11) Check that party information is correct, choose **Role in Bankruptcy Case** from the dropdown menu, click **Submit**
- **12)** To add additional defendant(s), repeat this step, otherwise select **End defendant selection**

- **13)** Select appropriate Party code and Primary nature of suit, 01 (Determination of removed claim or cause).
- **14)** Enter additional nature of suit(s) if applicable.
 - Note: The lead cause of action should be entered first, followed by any additional causes of action.
- **15)** Rule 23 (class action) select "y" from the dropdown menu if filing is a class action
- **16)** Jury Demand, select appropriate party if filer requests a jury
- **17)** Demand (\$000) enter amount of demand (5 = \$5000)
- 18) State law, enter "y" or "n" from the dropdown menu, click Submit
- **19)** Enter Lead bankruptcy case number, enter Association type Adversary from dropdown menu, click **Submit**
- **20)** Ensure case is assigned to the correct Division and Judge, ensure lead bankruptcy case is correct, click **Submit**
- **21)** Is the plaintiff the Debtor, Trustee, US Trustee, Debtor in Possession or Examiner? [y or n], click **Submit**
- 22) Select event from dropdown menu > Notice of Removal of Case (fee), click Submit
- **23)** Browse, verify and attach the document (PDF file), attach additional supportive documents if applicable, click **Submit**
- 24) Refer to existing event(s)? leave box unchecked > Enter from which Court the case came from (ie. Superior Court, King County): > enter the court the case is being removed from. Enter the case number of the court the case is being removed from, click Submit
- 25) Docket Text: Modify as Appropriate, click Submit
- **26)** Docket Text: Final Text, ensure final text is correct. Have you redacted? Click **Submit**
- 27) New Adversary case number and Lead case number appear after final submission