

United States Bankruptcy Court

District of New Mexico

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December 22, 1997

Notice to Practitioners

Changes to the Fee Schedule

On January 1, 1998, the following changes to the fee schedule will go into effect:

1. A new administrative fee of \$30.00 is due upon the filing of a chapter 11 case, a chapter 12 case or an ancillary case pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §304. Therefore, the total fees required are:

Chapter 11 \$830

Chapter 12 \$230

Ancillary case \$530

The fees for chapter 7 cases (\$175) and chapter 13 cases (\$160) remain the same.

2. A \$20.00 amendment fee is due with the filing of an amendment to the debtor's schedules or list of creditors *whether or not the notice of the meeting of creditors has been mailed at the time the amendment is filed.*
3. The fee to file a motion to modify or lift the automatic stay, to compel abandonment of property, or to withdraw the reference of the U. S. District Court is increased from \$60.00 to \$75.00.
4. The following fees have been repealed:

\$.50 per notice fee in asset cases (this fee will be assessed only for notices mailed before January 1, 1998)

\$.25 each for claims filed in excess of 10 in asset cases.
5. The fee for filing a motion to reopen a case is now due *upon filing of the motion*, rather than upon reopening.

A copy of the court's fee schedule is on the reverse of this notice (and is also available via the Internet).

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Michael M. Sheppard Selected as Clerk of Court

Judge McFeeley has announced the selection of Michael M. Sheppard as Clerk of Court. Mr. Sheppard served as Executive Director of the Dalkon Shield Claimants Trust from its inception in 1988 prior to accepting this position. He was the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia from 1983 to 1988 and was the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Utah from 1979 to 1983. Mr. Sheppard has also held various positions in county, state and federal courts in Colorado.

Mr. Sheppard is a graduate of the University of Denver College of Law, the University of Denver (M.S., Judicial Administration), and Morningside College (B.S., Public Administration). He served in the United States Army Special Forces in Vietnam from 1968 to 1972 where he was awarded 25 combat decorations. He has been a member of the Colorado Bar since 1979.

Mr. Sheppard will be sworn in as Clerk on Monday, January 5, 1998. Please join us in welcoming him to the court.

MARGARET GRAMMER GAY, Clerk