

2013 COMMITTEE NOTE

The form is amended to reflect the amendment of Rule 1007(b)(7). As amended, that rule allows an approved provider of a personal financial management course to notify the court directly of the debtor's completion of the course. That notification relieves the debtor of the obligation to file this form.

2010 COMMITTEE NOTE¹

The statement of the deadline for filing the form in a chapter 7 case is amended to conform to amended Rule 1007(c).

2005-2007 COMMITTEE NOTE²

The form was issued in 2005. Sections 727(a)(11), 1141(d)(3) and 1328(g)(1), which were added to the Code by the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-8, 119 Stat. 23 (April 20, 2005), require individual debtors to complete an instructional course concerning personal financial management as a condition for receiving a discharge. The completed form will signal the clerk that this condition has been satisfied. Each individual debtor, including both spouses in a joint case, must file a separate certification and provide the certificate number of the certificate of completion issued to the debtor by the approved personal financial management counselor. Instructions are included that state the deadlines for filing the certification in chapter 7, chapter 11 in which § 1141(d)(3) applies, and chapter 13 cases, and remind the debtor that the form is not to be used for filing a certification of prepetition credit counseling.

2006 COMMITTEE NOTE

The form is amended to direct each individual debtor, including both spouses in a joint case, to file a separate certification and to provide the certificate number of the certificate of completion issued to the debtor by the approved personal financial management counselor. The form also is amended to include the deadlines for filing the certification in cases under chapters 7 and 13 and to instruct the debtor that the form is not to be used to file the certificate provided by the debtor's prepetition credit counselor.

2005 COMMITTEE NOTE

The form is new. Sections 727(a)(11) and 1328(g)(1), which were added to the Code by the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-8, 119 Stat. 23 (April 20, 2005), require the debtor to complete an instructional course concerning

¹ A reference to § 1141(d)(5)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code was added to the filing deadlines in 2008. The change was not published for public comment because it was technical and conforming.

²The 2005-2007 Committee Note incorporates Committee Notes previously published in 2005 and 2006.

personal financial management as a condition for receiving a discharge. The completed form, when filed by the debtor, will signal the clerk that this condition has been satisfied.