

## Debtor's application for bankruptcy

### Information about filing your application

If you file a debtor's petition which is accepted then you will become bankrupt, and will be subject to the provisions of the Insolvency Act 2006. Should you decide to submit your application it will be carefully considered by the Official Assignee and may or may not be accepted, depending for example on whether the Statement of Affairs is complete and correct. You will be notified as soon as a decision has been made, which is expected to be within 10 working days of receipt of the completed application.

Whilst the normal term of a debtor's petition bankruptcy is 3 years, you may apply to the Court or the Official Assignee during this period to have your bankruptcy annulled or to obtain an early discharge.

During the course of the bankruptcy you have a duty to assist the Official Assignee, and to notify the Official Assignee of any change in your circumstances. There will also be a number of restrictions placed on you - for example, on your ability to incur credit. If you require further information before making the decision to submit your application, you can access a range of information on our website ([www.insolvency.govt.nz](http://www.insolvency.govt.nz)) or contact a budget advisor, solicitor or accountant for advice.

A filing fee will be charged for Debtor Petition applications, in addition to any costs payable for the administration of your estate. These costs will be deducted from any asset realisations made.

Please post your completed application form to:  
Insolvency and Trustee Service  
Private Bag 4714  
Christchurch 8140

#### Important

**If you choose to submit your application then any decision by the Official Assignee to accept your application will be legally binding on you.** Prior to this decision being made you may choose to phone our Contact Centre on **0508 467 658** to withdraw your application.

**DEBTORS PETITION FOR BANKRUPTCY**  
Pursuant to section 47(1) Insolvency Act 2006

**Applicant Details**

Last Name:

First Name(s):

Preferred Title:  Mr  Mrs  Ms  Miss  Other (please specify):

Date of Birth:  Day:  Month:  Year:

Full residential address:  Street number & name:

Suburb:

City:  Postcode:

Country:

Email address:

Daytime Phone Number:

Mobile Phone Number:

Occupation:

I am unable to pay my debts. I request that I be adjudicated bankrupt. I acknowledge that the decision by the Official Assignee to accept this application will be legally binding on me and that I will be subject to the provisions of the Insolvency Act 2006.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:  Day:  Month:  Year: