

## **Directions for completing the bankruptcy questionnaire**

Once you have decided that bankruptcy is the best option for you, you will want your case to proceed as quickly as possible. Our New Jersey bankruptcy attorneys will work as quickly as possible to expedite the process and give you a fresh financial start.

When you fill out the bankruptcy questionnaire form we have provided, a caring and knowledgeable bankruptcy attorney from Tomes & Hanratty, P.C. will use the information to begin the process of filing your claim.

## **What information is necessary for the case to be filed?**

All of the information on the questionnaire form is necessary to file your bankruptcy case. Please try to complete all of the questions as fully as possible. If there is a question that you simply cannot answer, leave the question blank and we will discuss it when you meet with your bankruptcy attorney at Tomes & Hanratty, P.C. However, the more quickly we get the information, the more quickly your case will be resolved. So please take the time now to fully answer all questions and obtain copies of documents.

## **Directions:**

A. If you do not understand a question or information requested in the questionnaire, please skip it, and complete as much of the questionnaire as possible. Then, call our office discuss the questions or information you did not understand. If you have a number of questions please call and schedule an appointment with a Tomes & Hanratty, P.C. attorney so we can go over the questionnaire with you and explain the things you do not understand.

B. When you have completed the questionnaire and gathered all of the documents requested, please bring them to the Tomes & Hanratty, P.C. office and advise our receptionist that you are returning a bankruptcy questionnaire. We will make copies of your vehicle titles, tax returns and deeds or mortgages, and return them to you as quickly as possible.

C. Please be honest. Bankruptcy does help debtors manage their financial situation. It does relieve debtors of much debt and lets them manage other debt. Wisely used, it can help debtors keep some or even all of their assets. But there is a duty of honesty. The information filed on the bankruptcy forms will be reviewed by the trustee and by creditors. Failure to be honest in bankruptcy has gotten several notable celebrities in trouble.

Please remember that we cannot begin preparation of your bankruptcy until you have provided all documents as shown on the document list. If you have any questions about the form, don't hesitate to contact our office. We are committed to providing you with the support you need in this process.