

Local Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 1002. COMMENCEMENT OF CASE.

(a) Filing Requirements

TXEB Appendix 1002-a outlines the requirements for commencing a new bankruptcy case.

(b) Filing a Bankruptcy Petition Without Counsel

An individual may file bankruptcy or appear in Bankruptcy Court without legal counsel. An attorney must sign the bankruptcy petition and appear for other types of debtors -- including partnerships, corporations, and trusts. If a debtor who is not an individual files a bankruptcy petition without legal counsel, then the Court will dismiss the bankruptcy case sua sponte or on motion of a party in interest.