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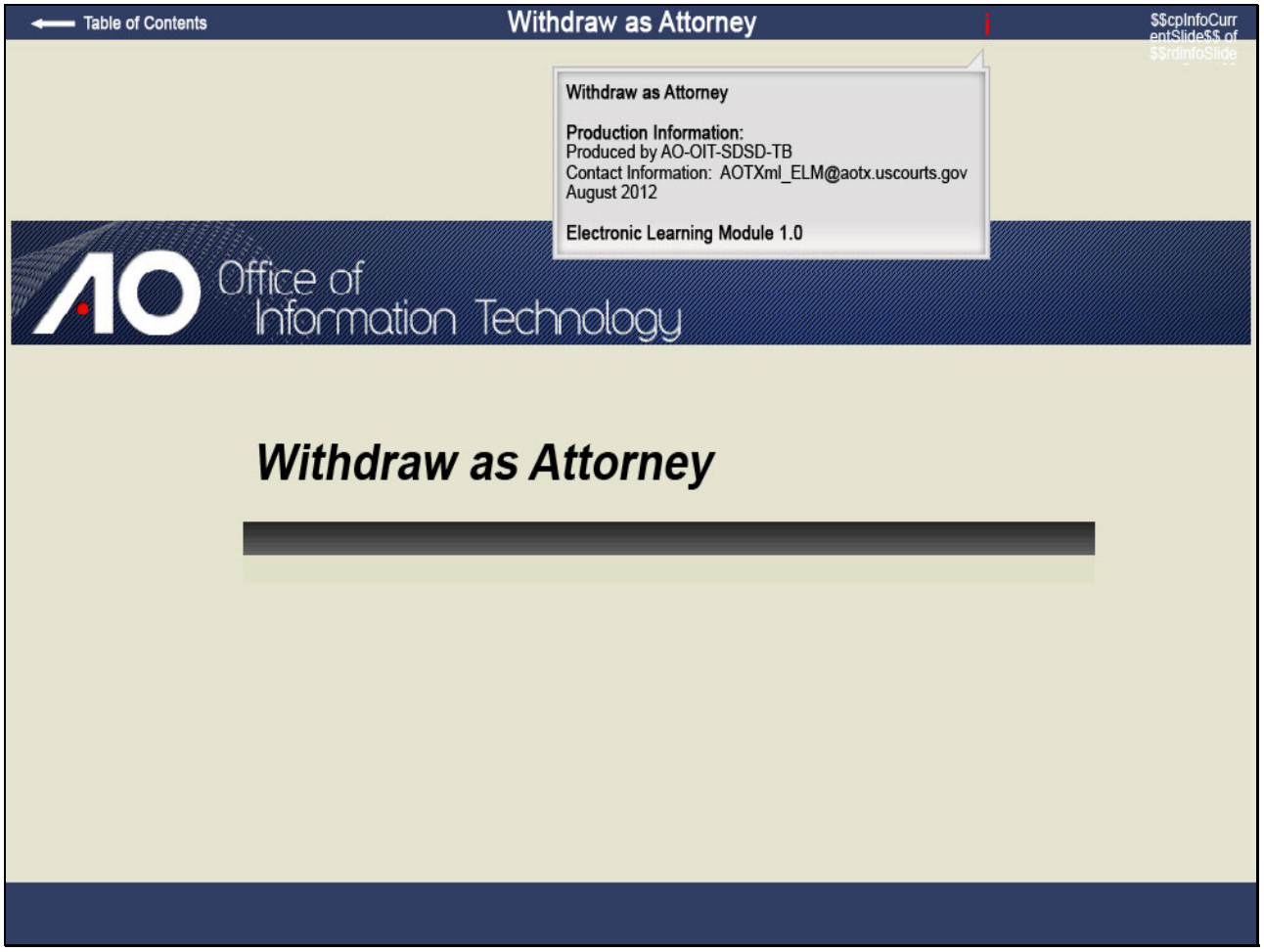

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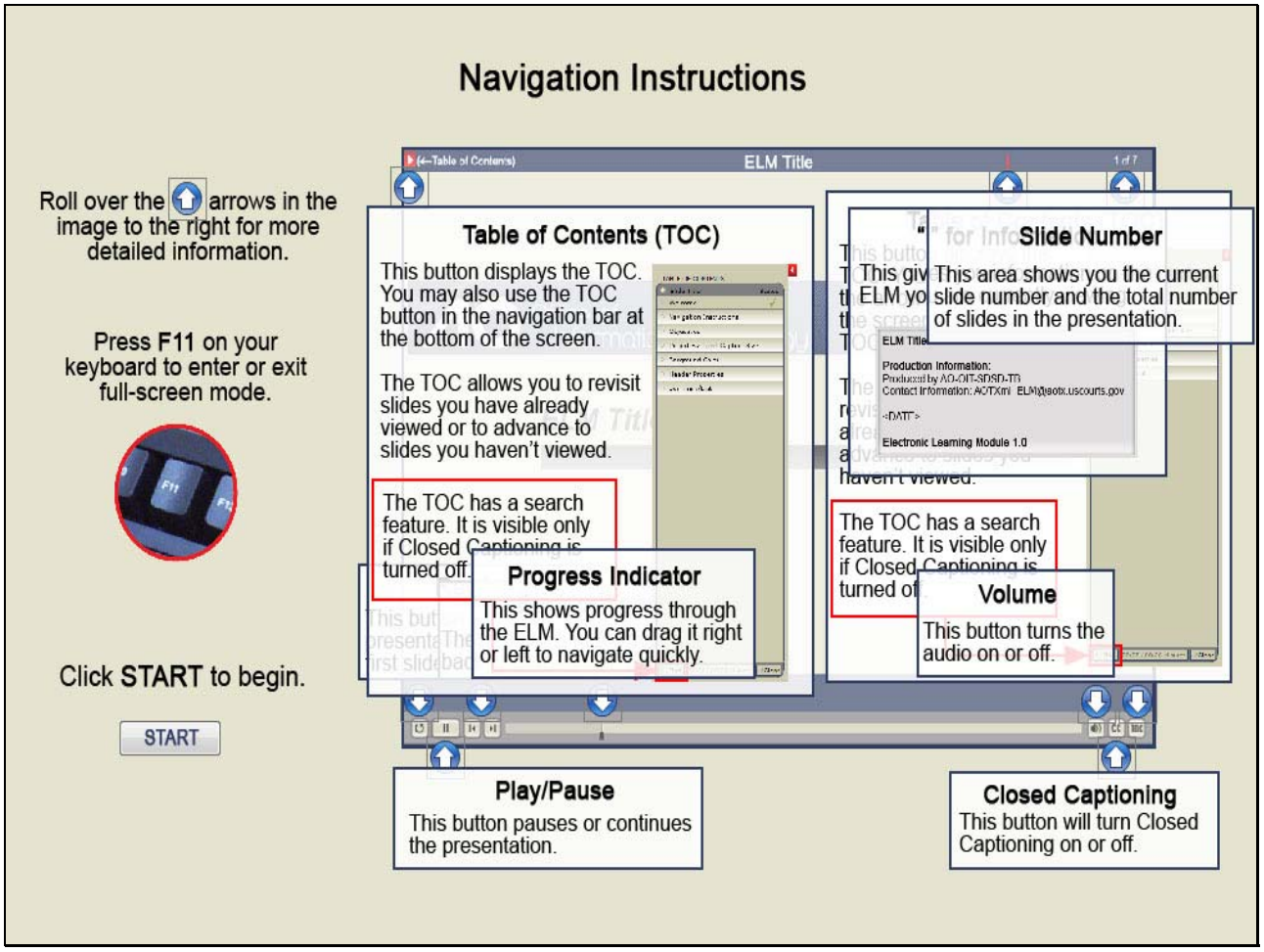

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Here are the instructions for navigating through this module. Use your mouse to roll over any of the arrows for a detailed explanation of that specific area. To enter, or exit, full screen mode you can press F11 on your keyboard at any time. Click START when you're ready to begin.

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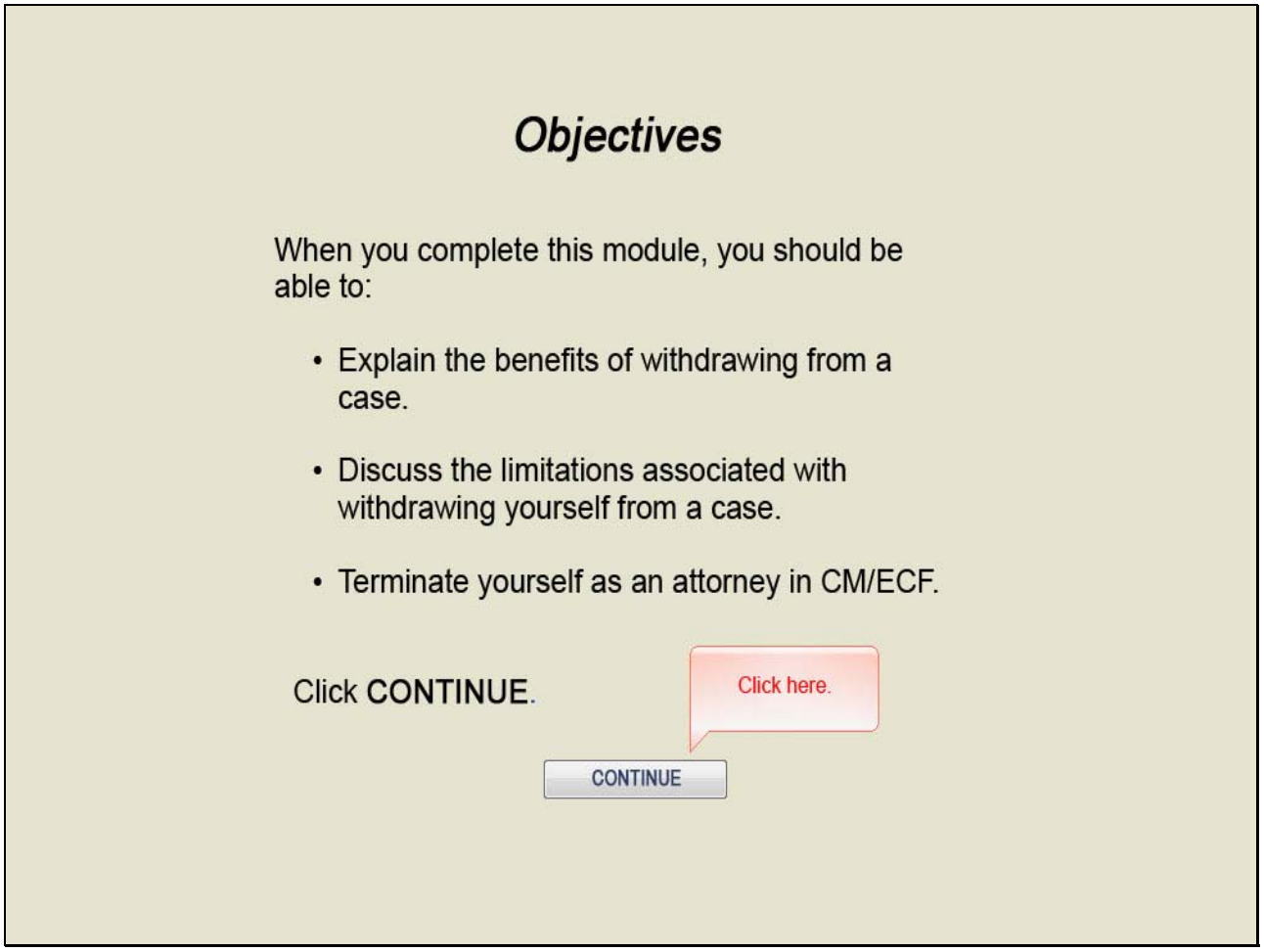
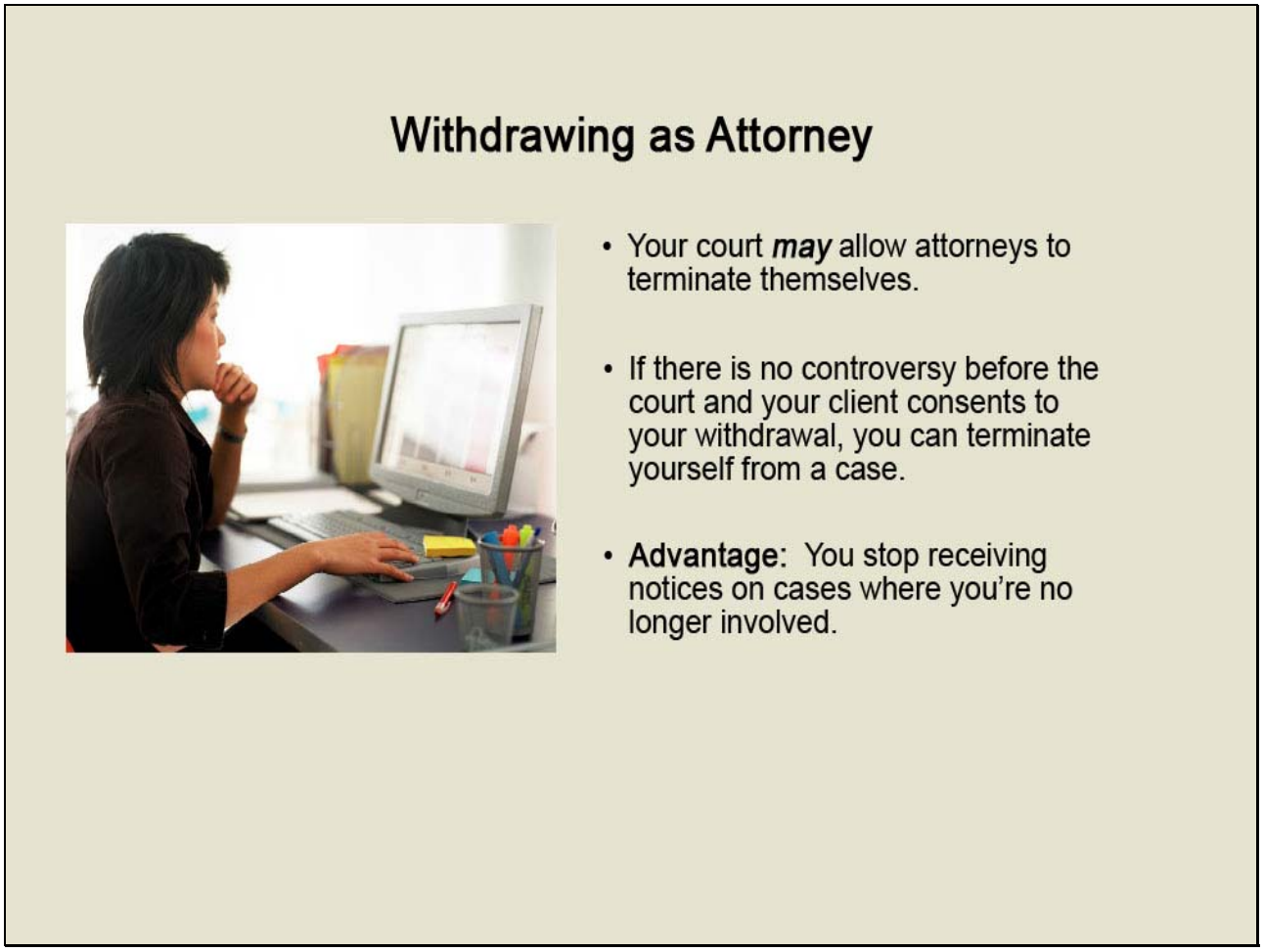


Slide notes

In CM/ECF Release 5.0, a new "Withdraw as Attorney" event may be available in your court's events list that allows attorneys to terminate themselves when their involvement in the case ends.

When you complete this module, you should be able to explain the benefits of withdrawing from a case; discuss the limitations associated with withdrawing yourself from a case; and terminate yourself as an attorney in CM/ECF.

Slide 4 - Withdrawal as Attorney Overview



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Your court may allow attorneys to terminate themselves in limited circumstances. If, as an attorney, you can certify that you have no controversy before the court and your client consents to withdrawal from the case,

...you can docket a new event that allows you to terminate yourself from a case.

The advantage to this is that you will stop receiving notices of electronic filings or other notices on a case where you are no longer involved.

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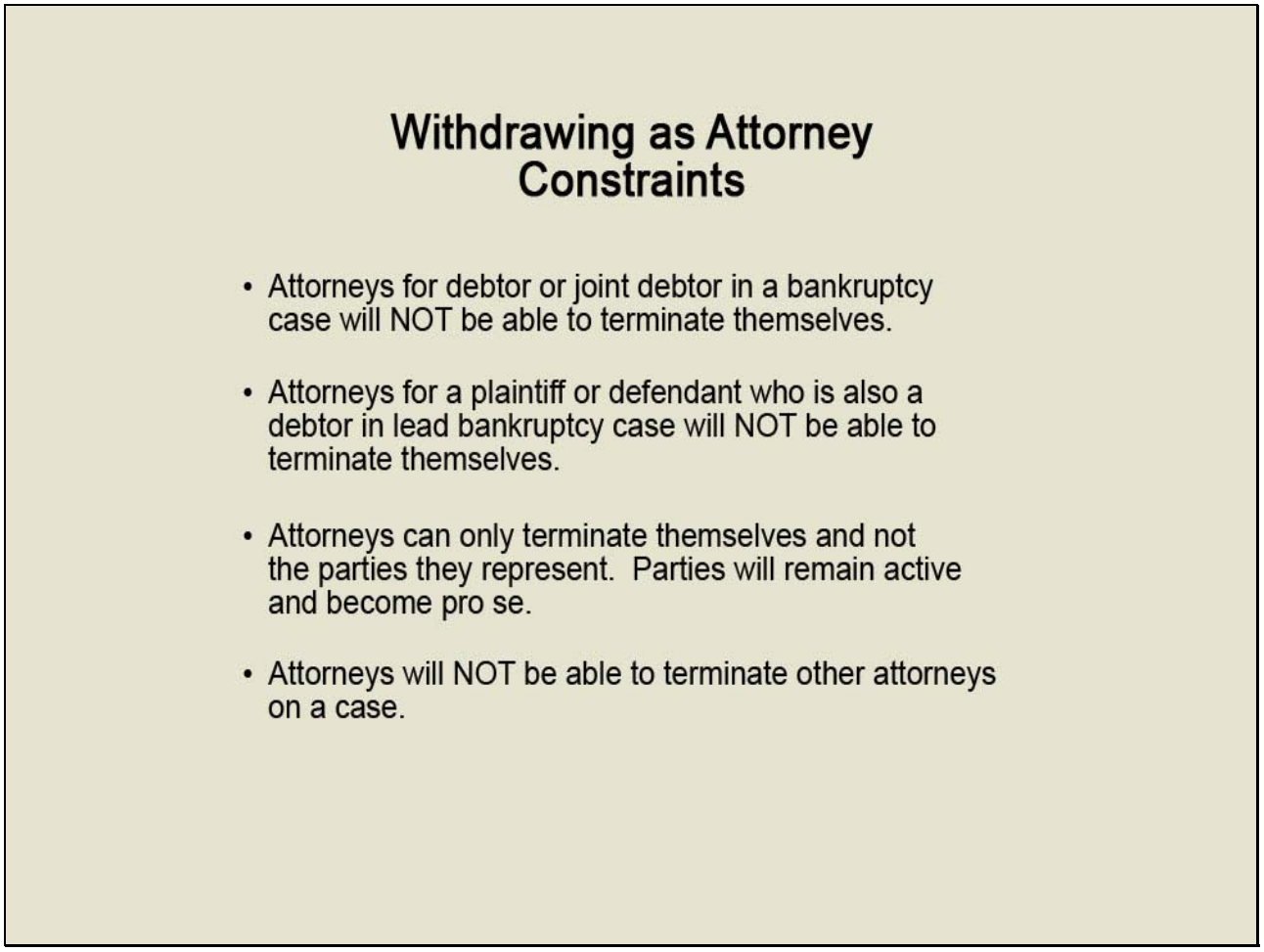

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Features and limitations of terminating yourself from a case include the following: Attorneys for the debtor or joint debtor in a bankruptcy case will not be able to terminate themselves.

Attorneys for the plaintiff or defendant in an adversary proceeding who is also a debtor in a lead bankruptcy case will not be able to terminate themselves.

Attorneys may not terminate the parties they represent when they terminate themselves. The parties they represent will remain active and their representation status will become pro se.

Finally, attorneys will not be able to terminate other attorneys on a case.

Slide 6 - Filing Agents

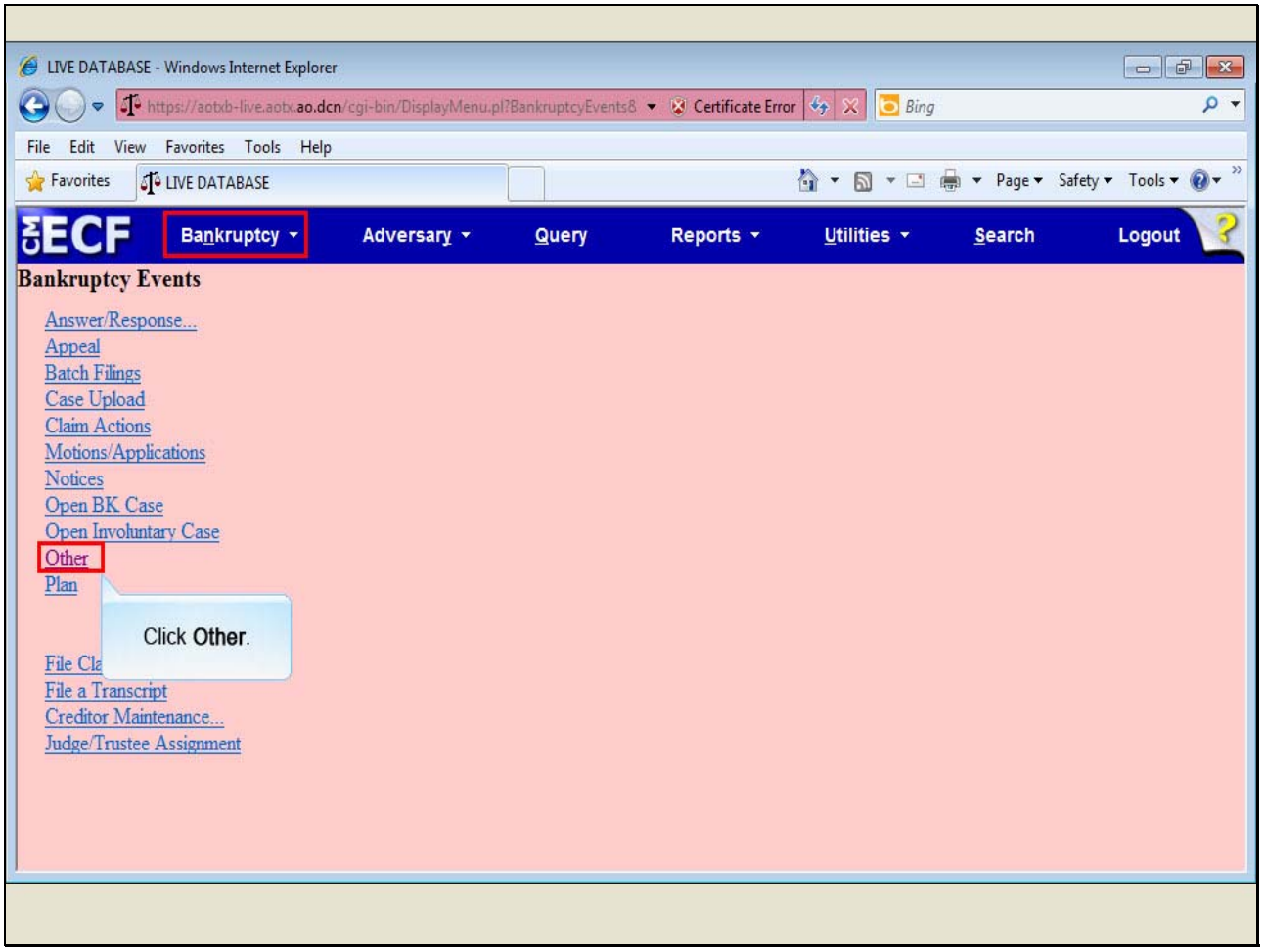
Slide notes

Some attorneys employ filing agents, such as paralegals or secretaries, to docket events for them. Filing agents log in as themselves, but file docket events as if they are the attorney.

The docket text indicates that the attorney, not the filing agent, filed the event. Filing agents can withdraw the attorney with this new event as if they were the attorney.

Now, I'll log into CM/ECF as an attorney and demonstrate how to docket a Withdraw as Attorney event.

Slide 7 - Docketing Withdrawal as Attorney



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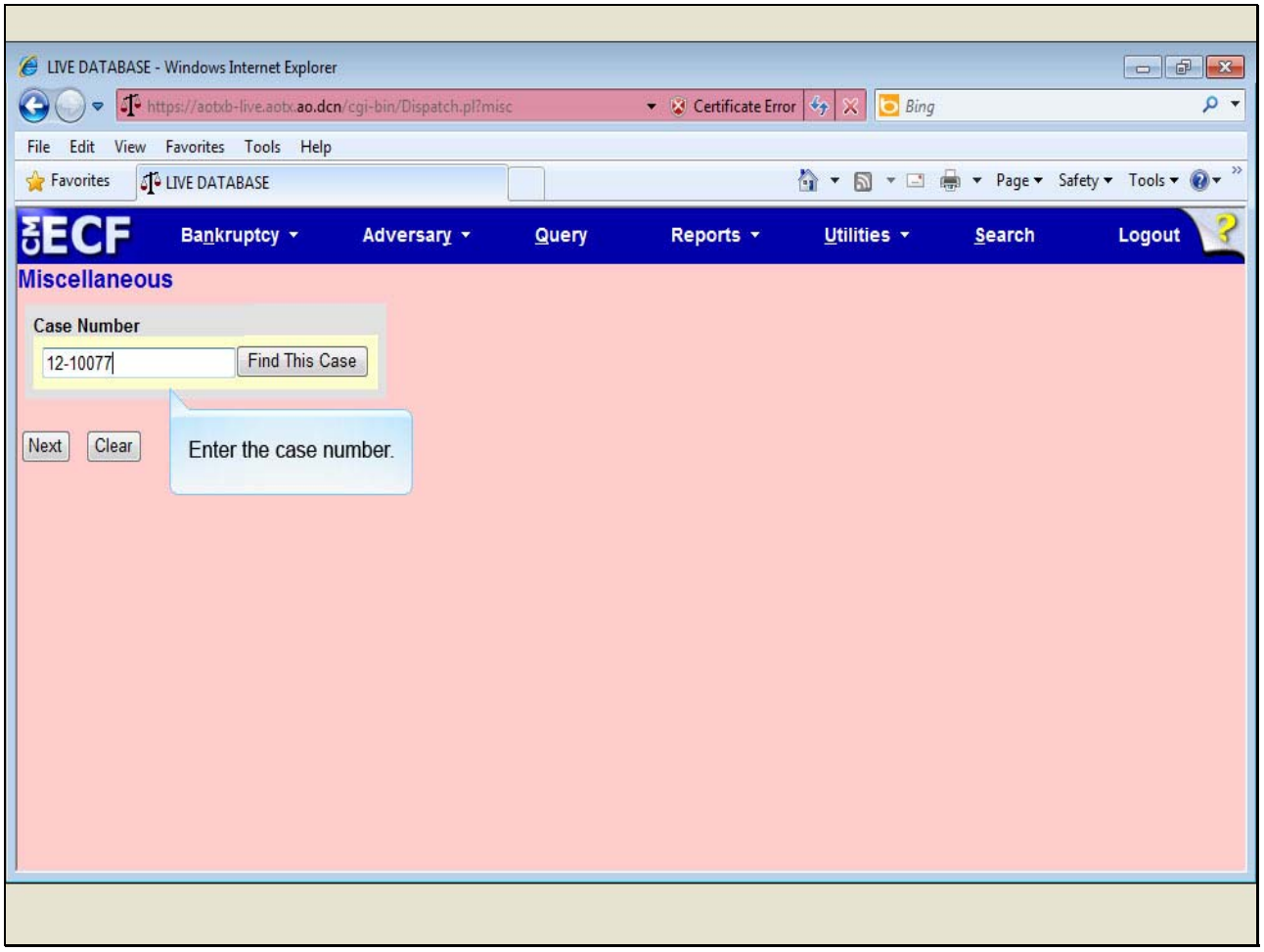

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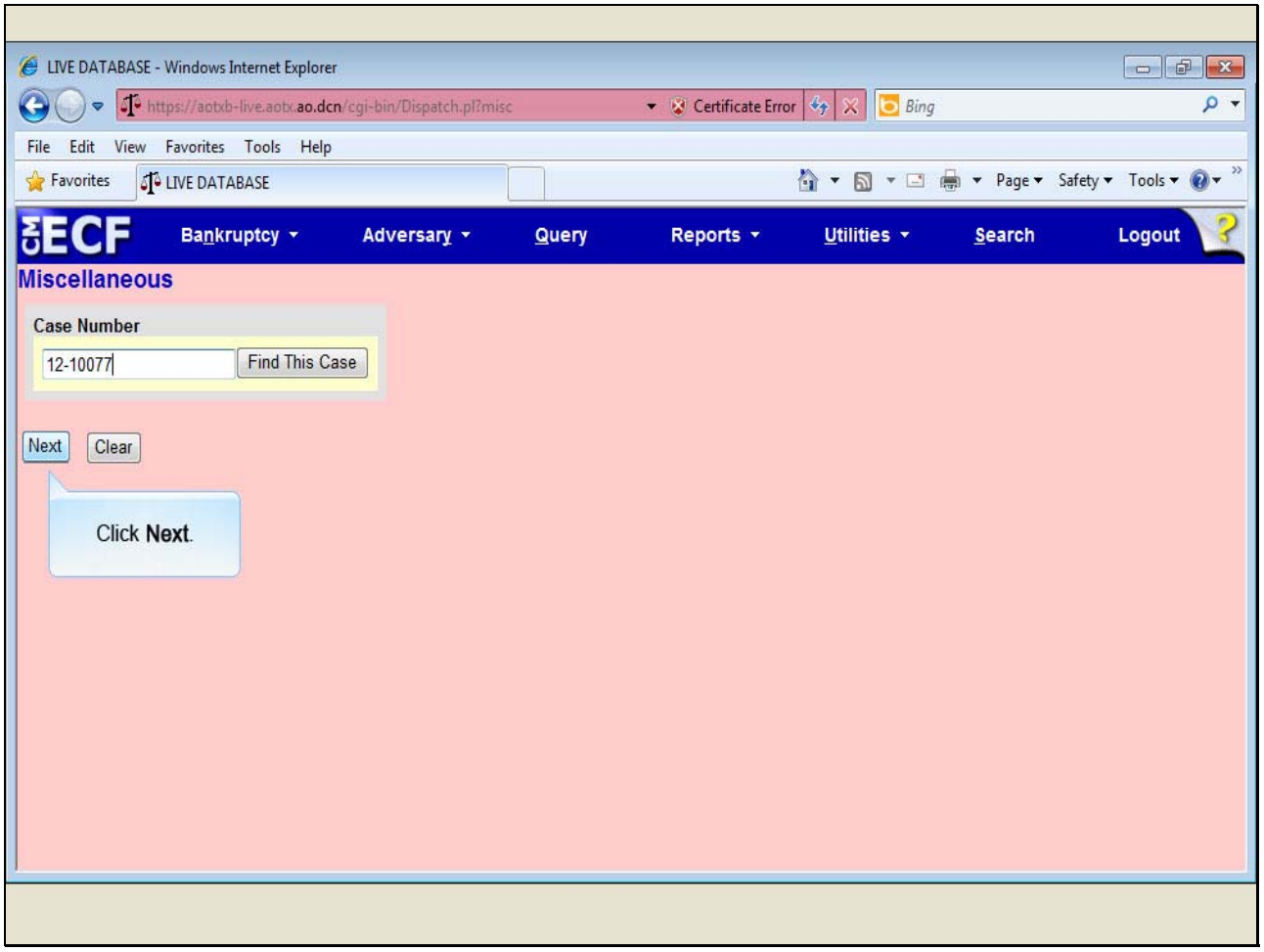

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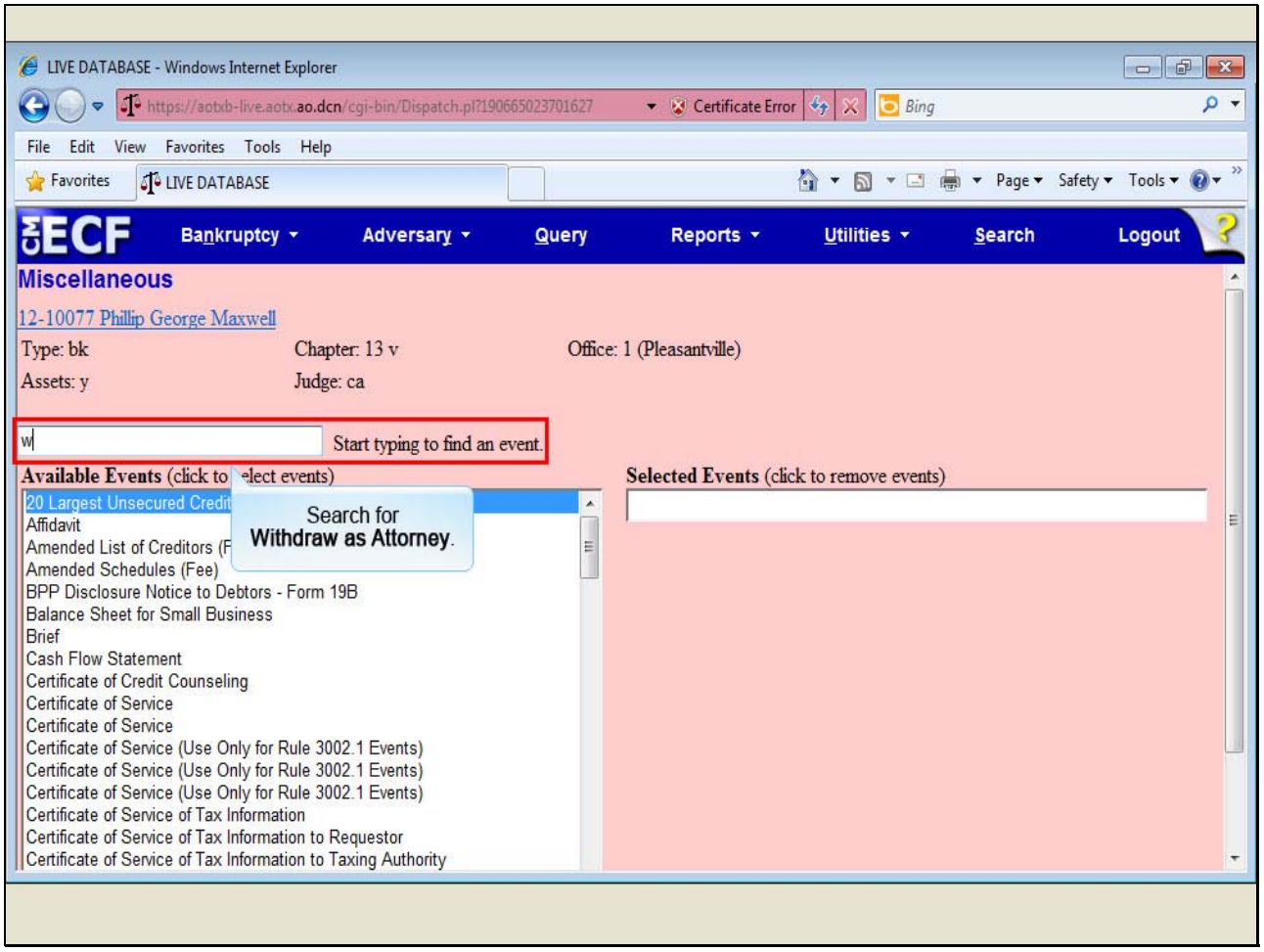

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In the search window above Available Events, you can type "w" to search for the Withdraw as Attorney event to save time scrolling.

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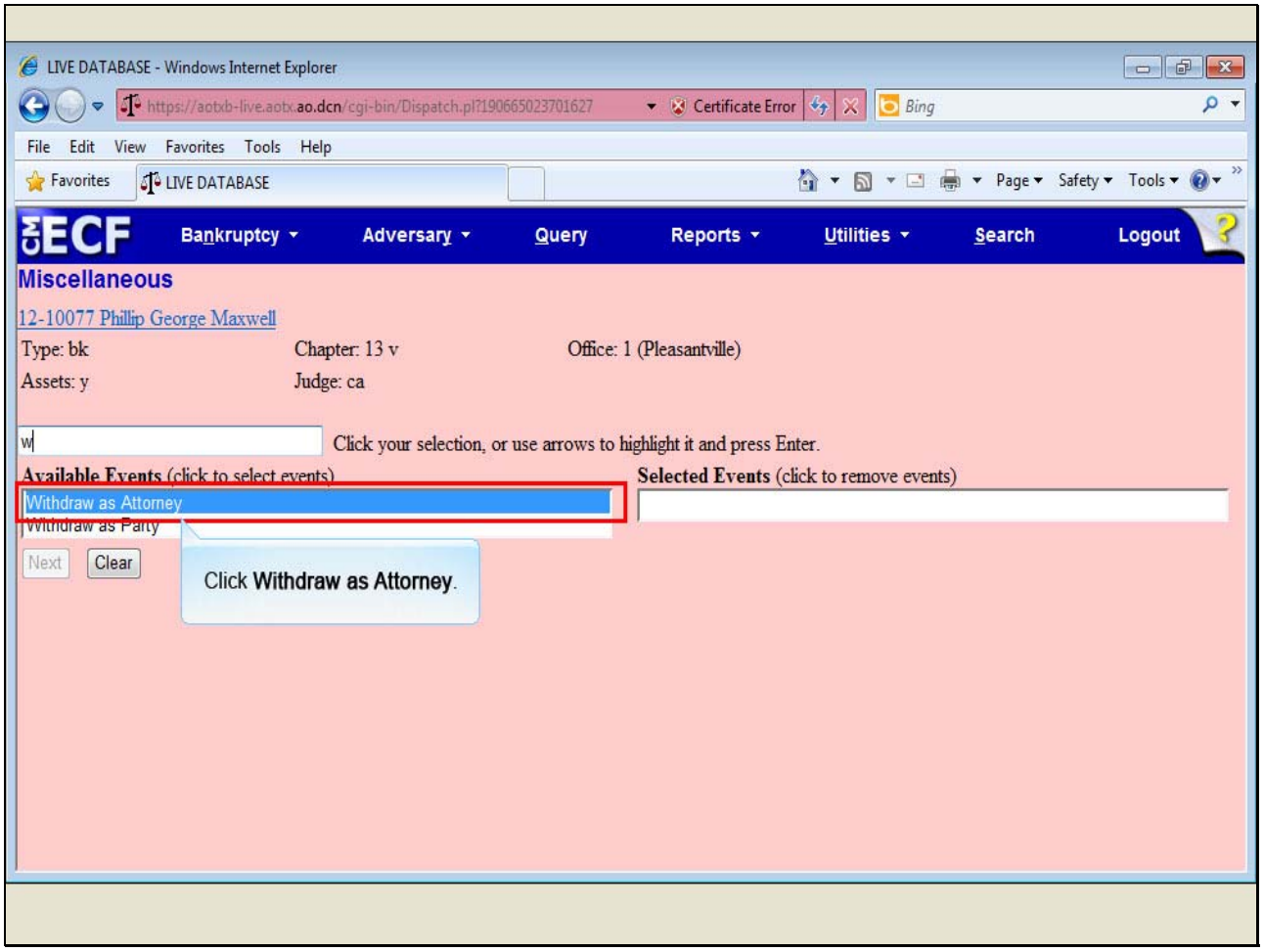

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Click the Withdraw as Attorney event.

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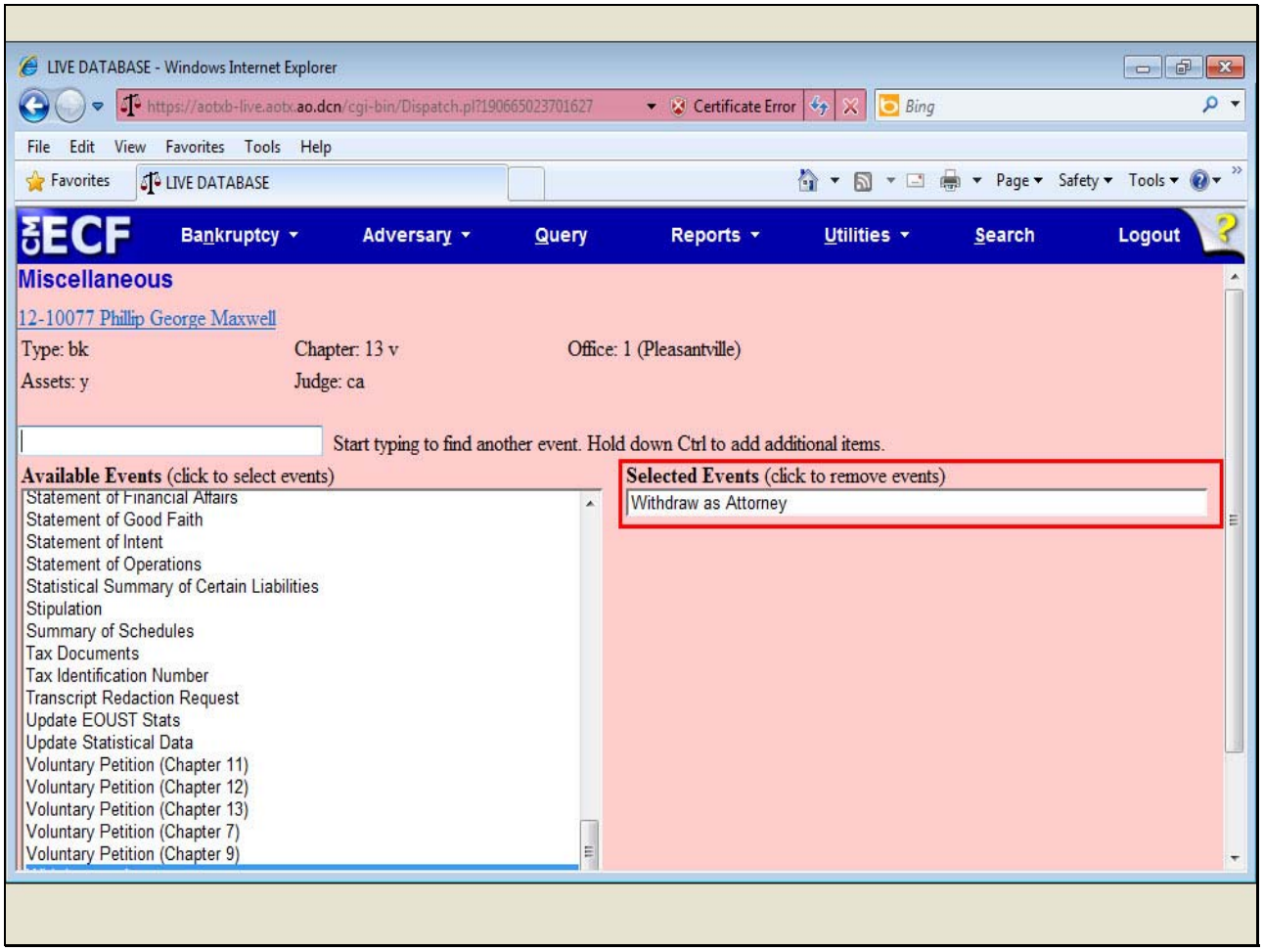

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Notice that once we select an event under the Available Events list, it appears in the Selected Events window. Let's scroll down...

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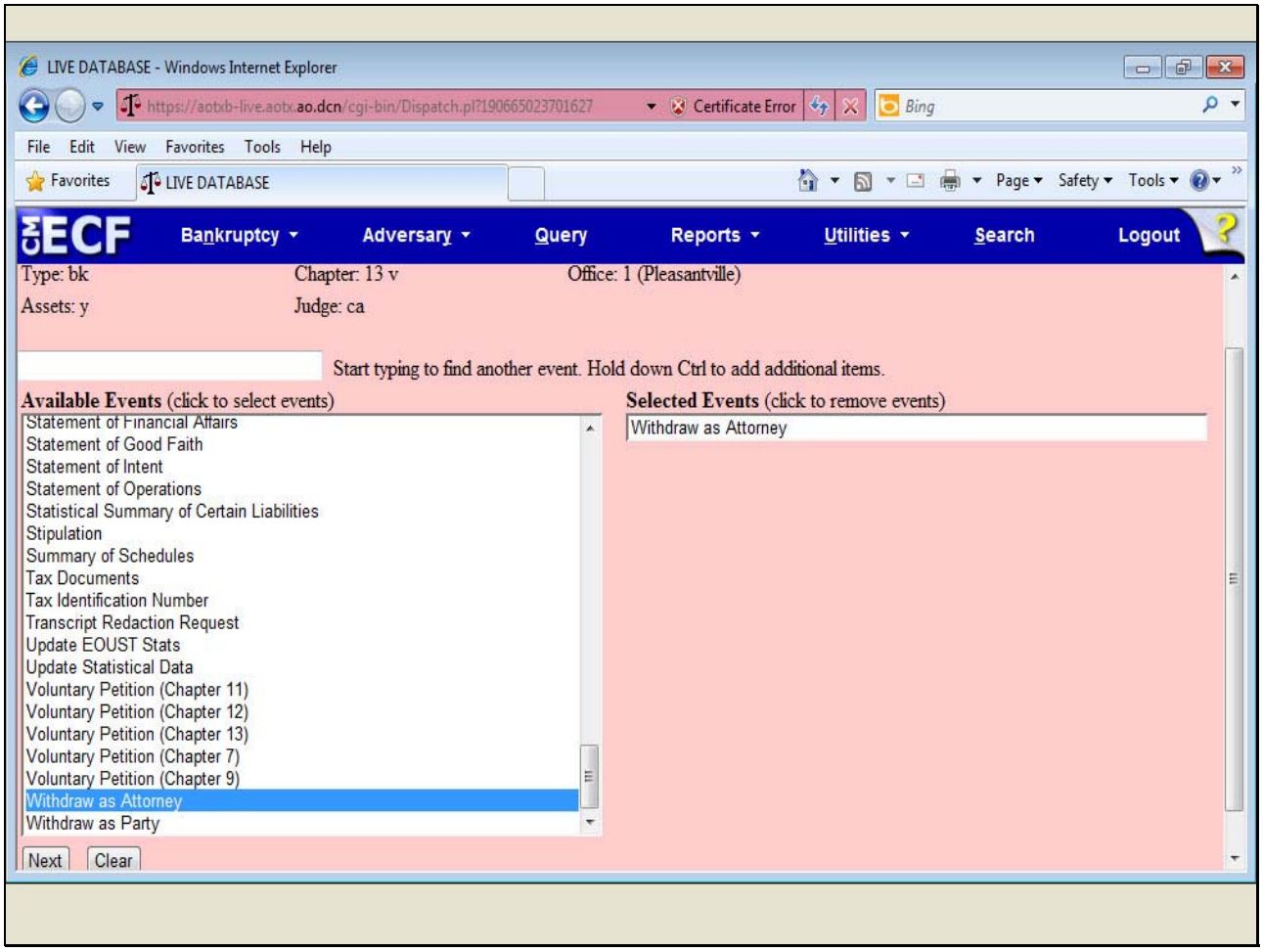

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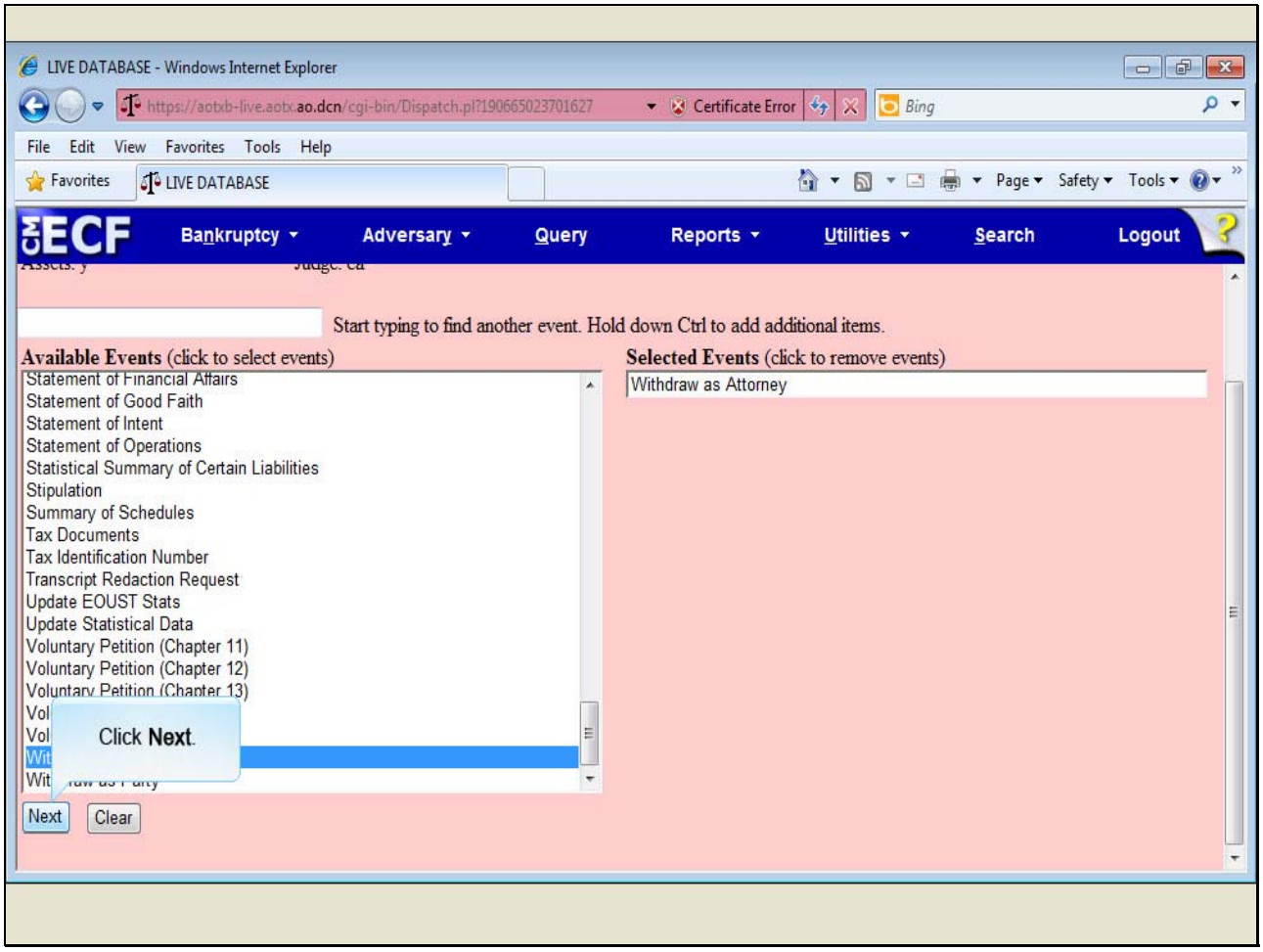

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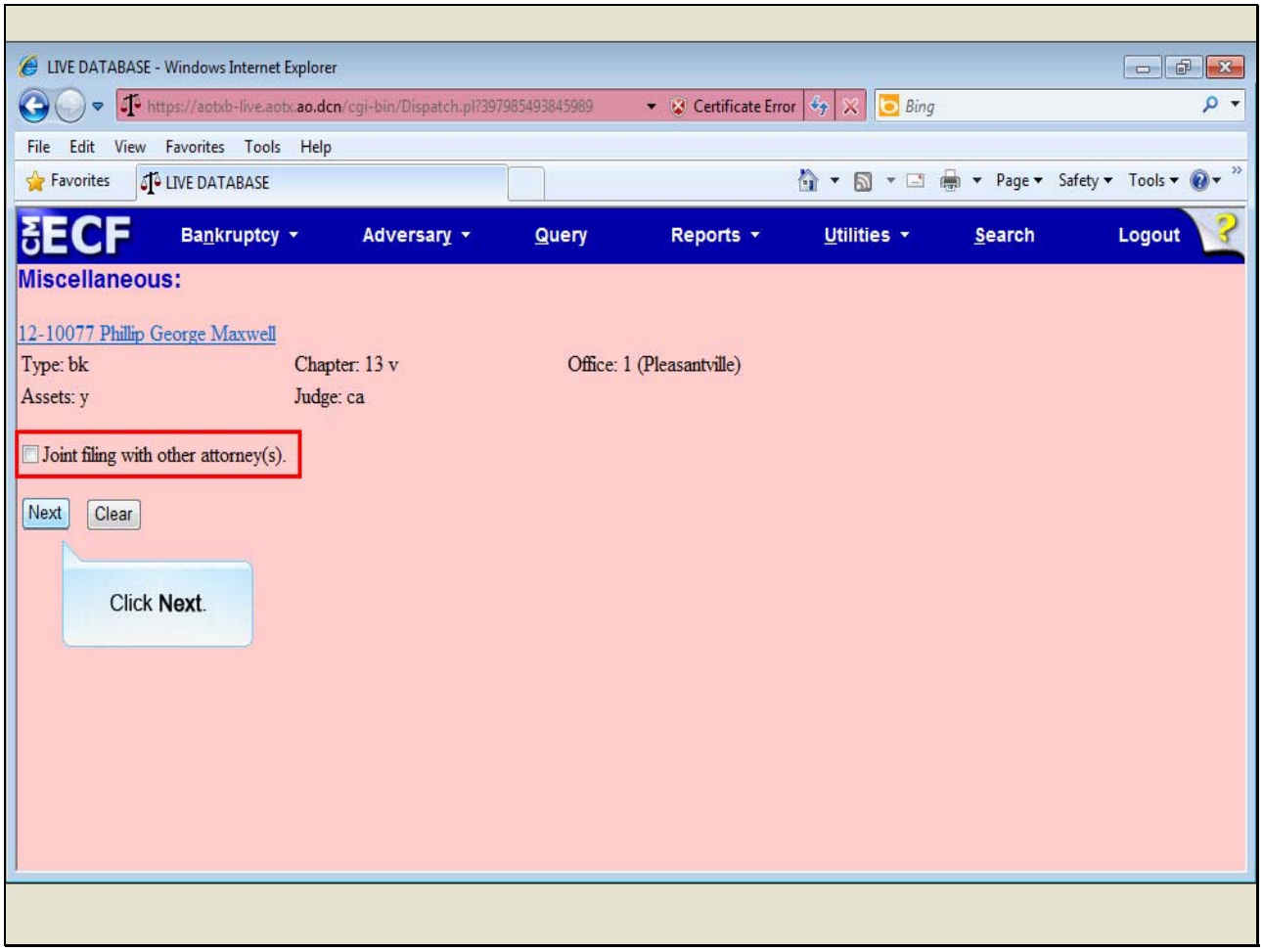

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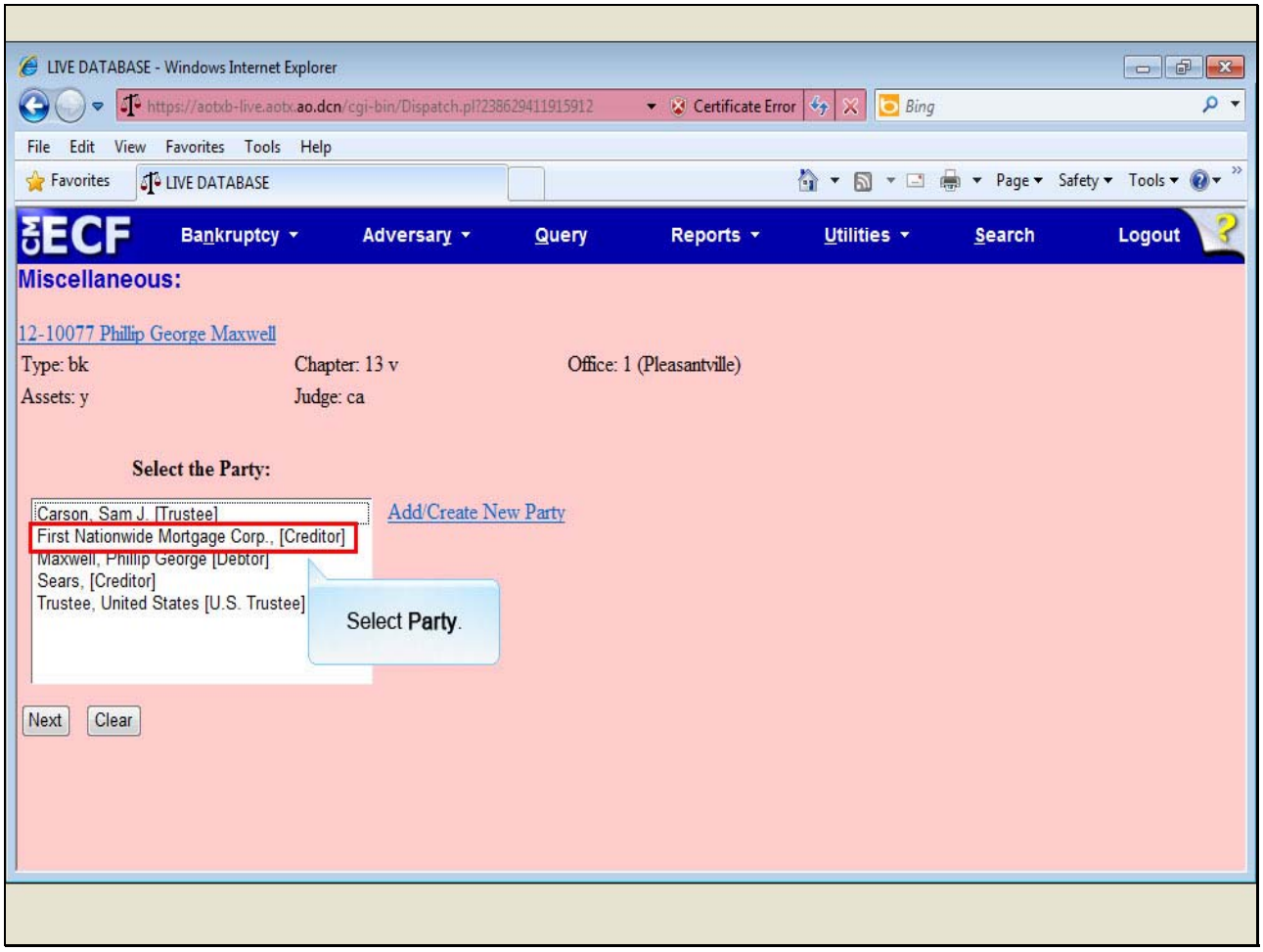

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As in other events, you'll have to select the party you represent. Our attorney, Charlotte Baker, represents First Nationwide Mortgage, so I'll select First Nationwide Mortgage as the party...

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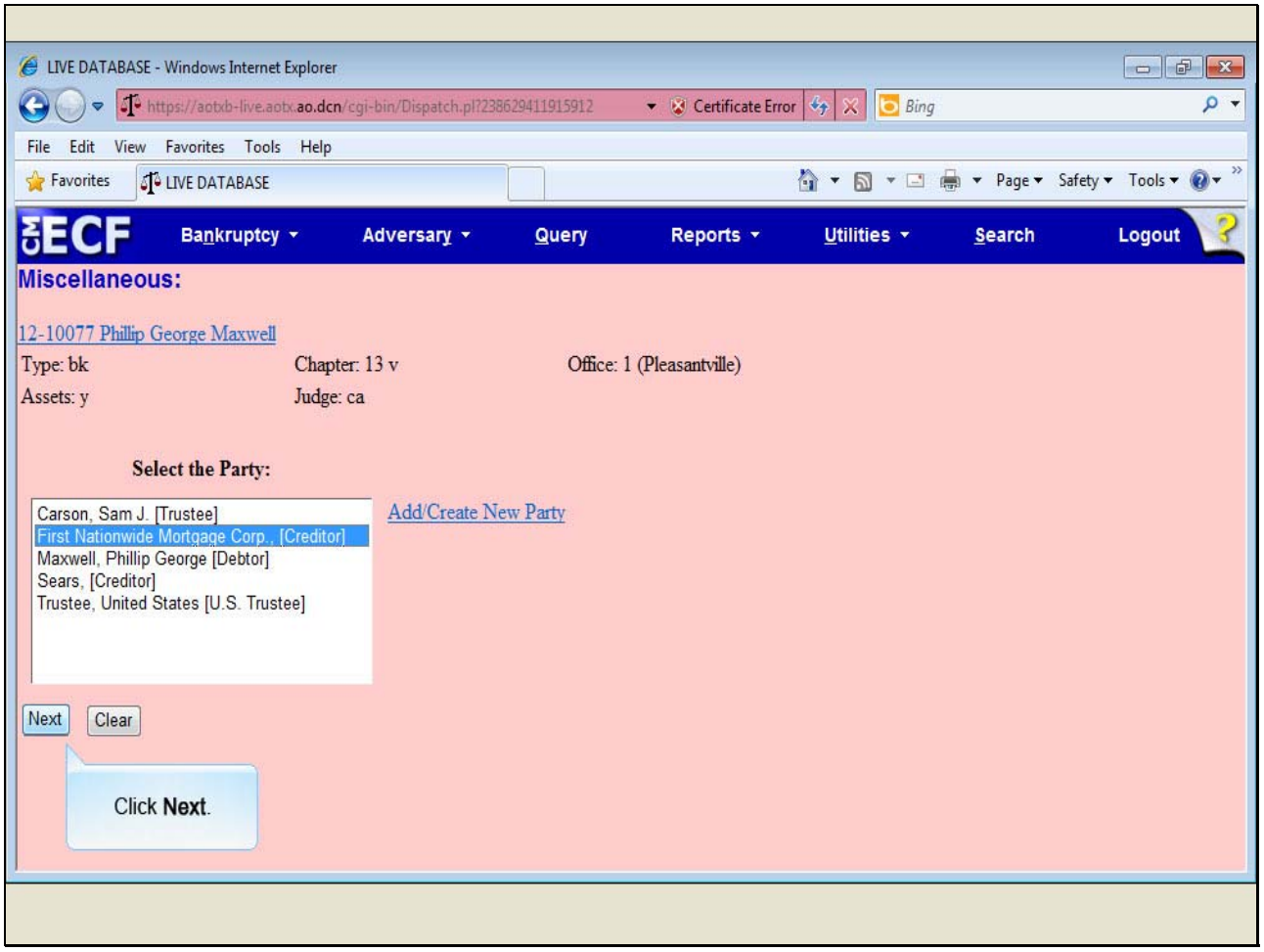

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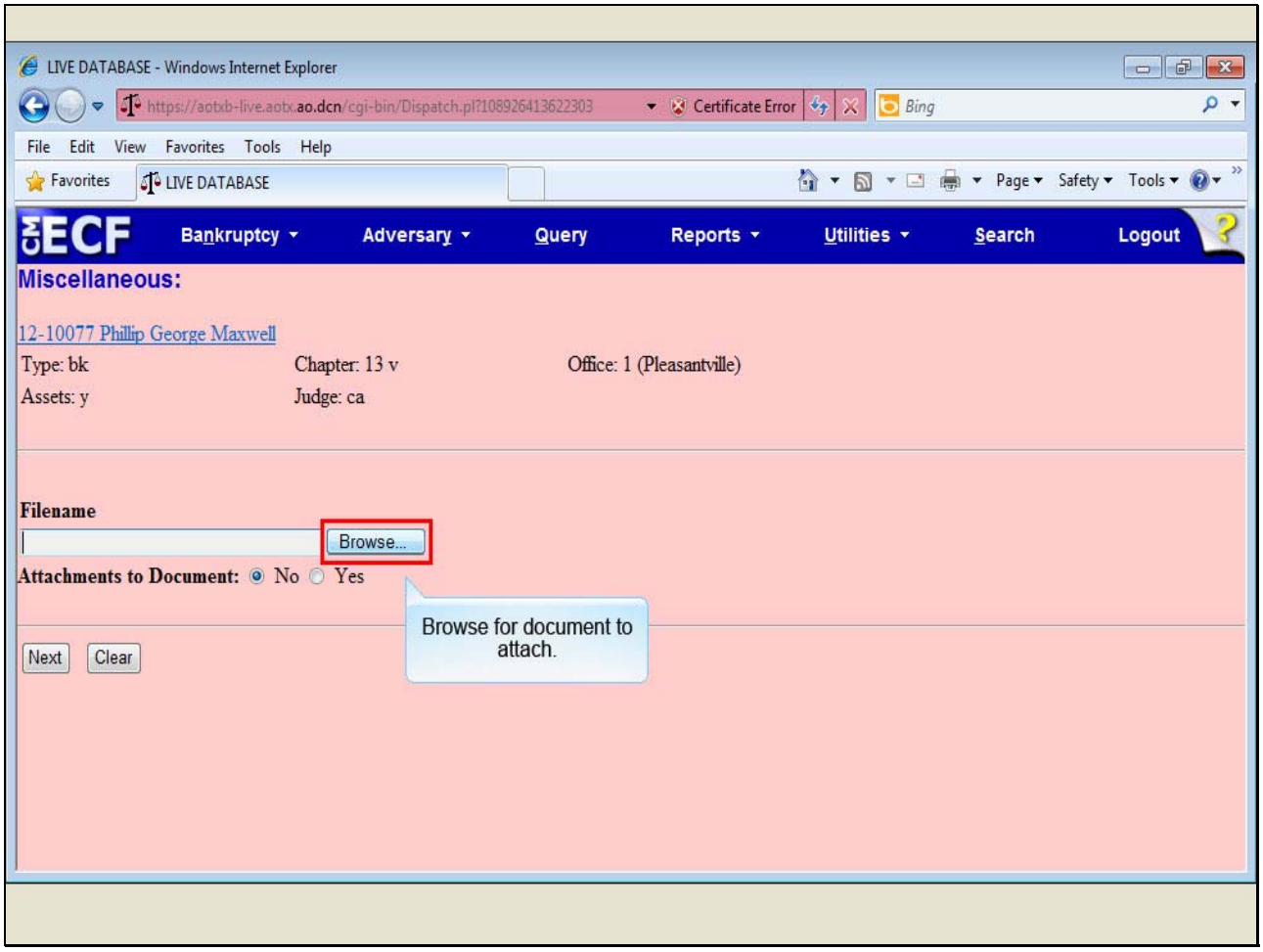

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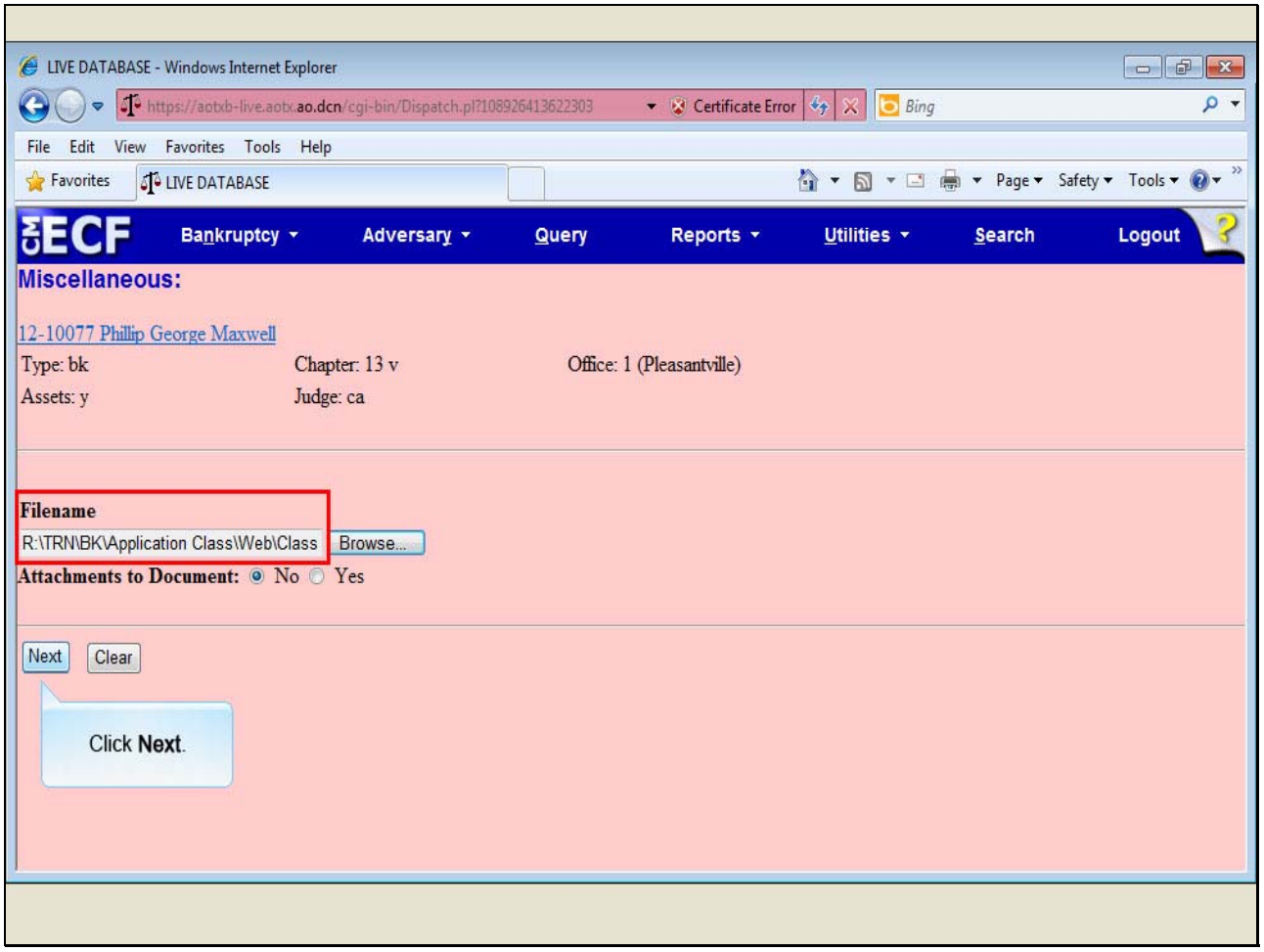

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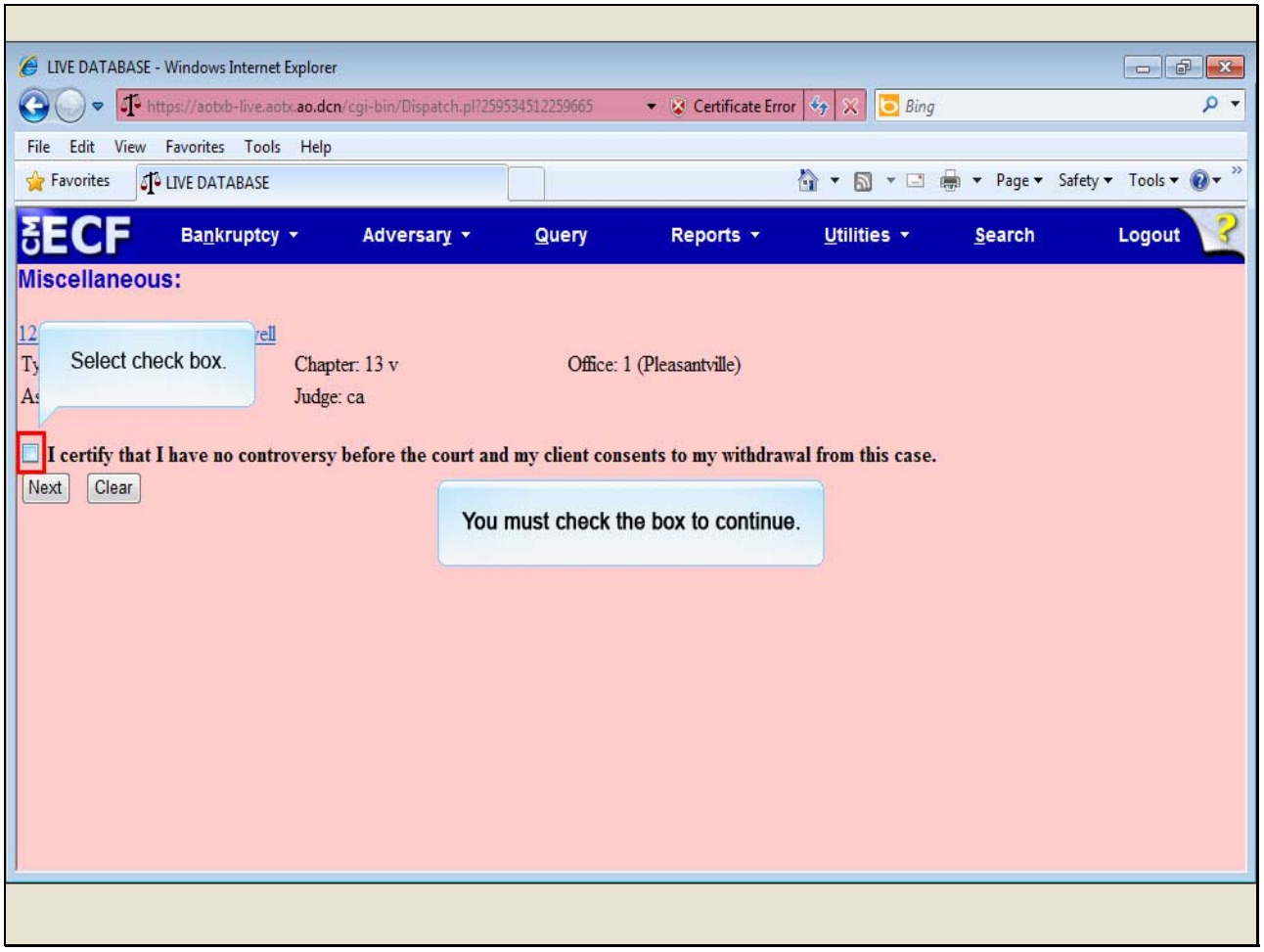

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This check box must be selected to certify that the attorney has no controversy before the court and their client consents to their withdrawal from the case.

If this check box is not selected, an error message will open stating, "You must check the box to continue."

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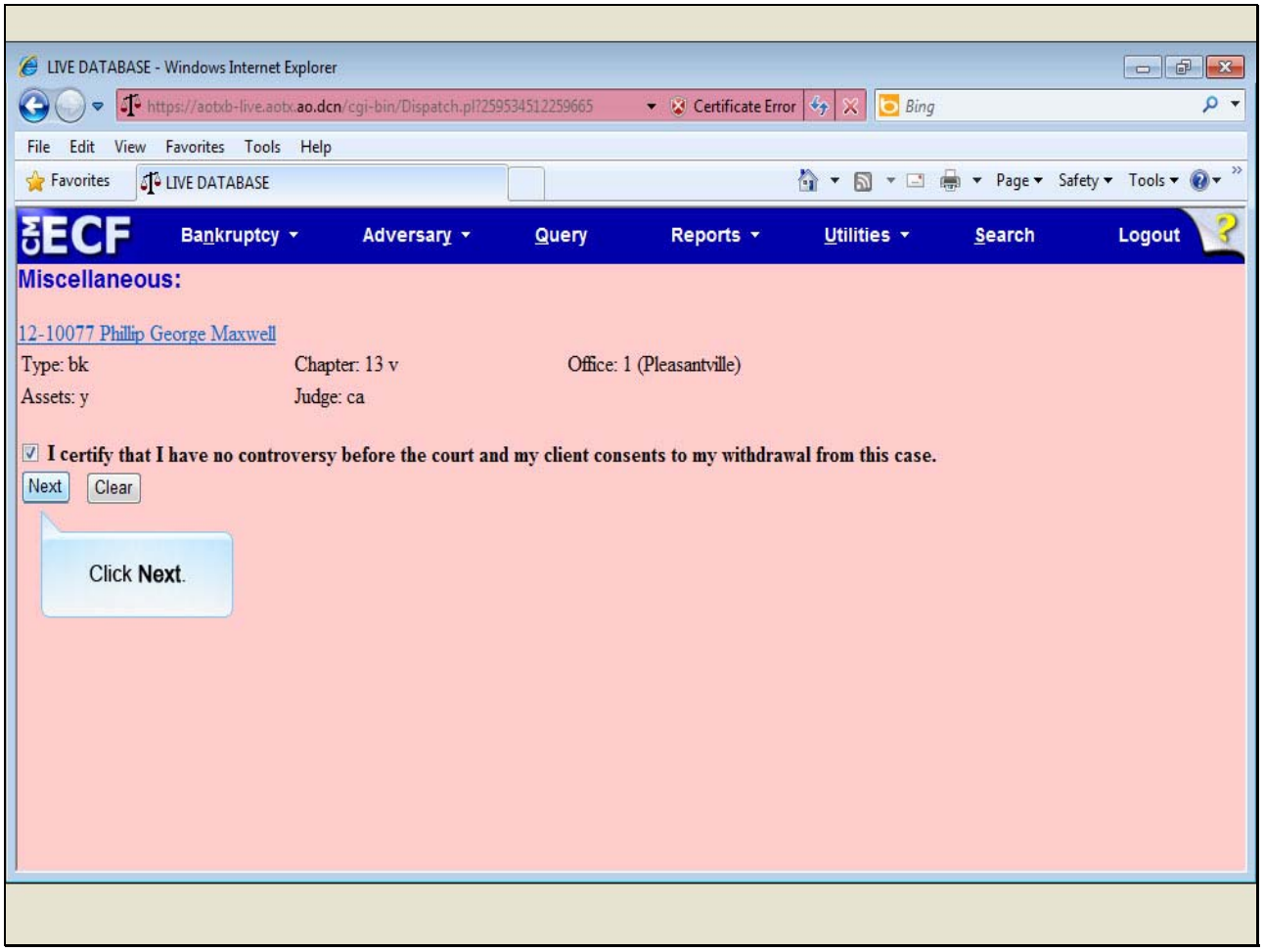

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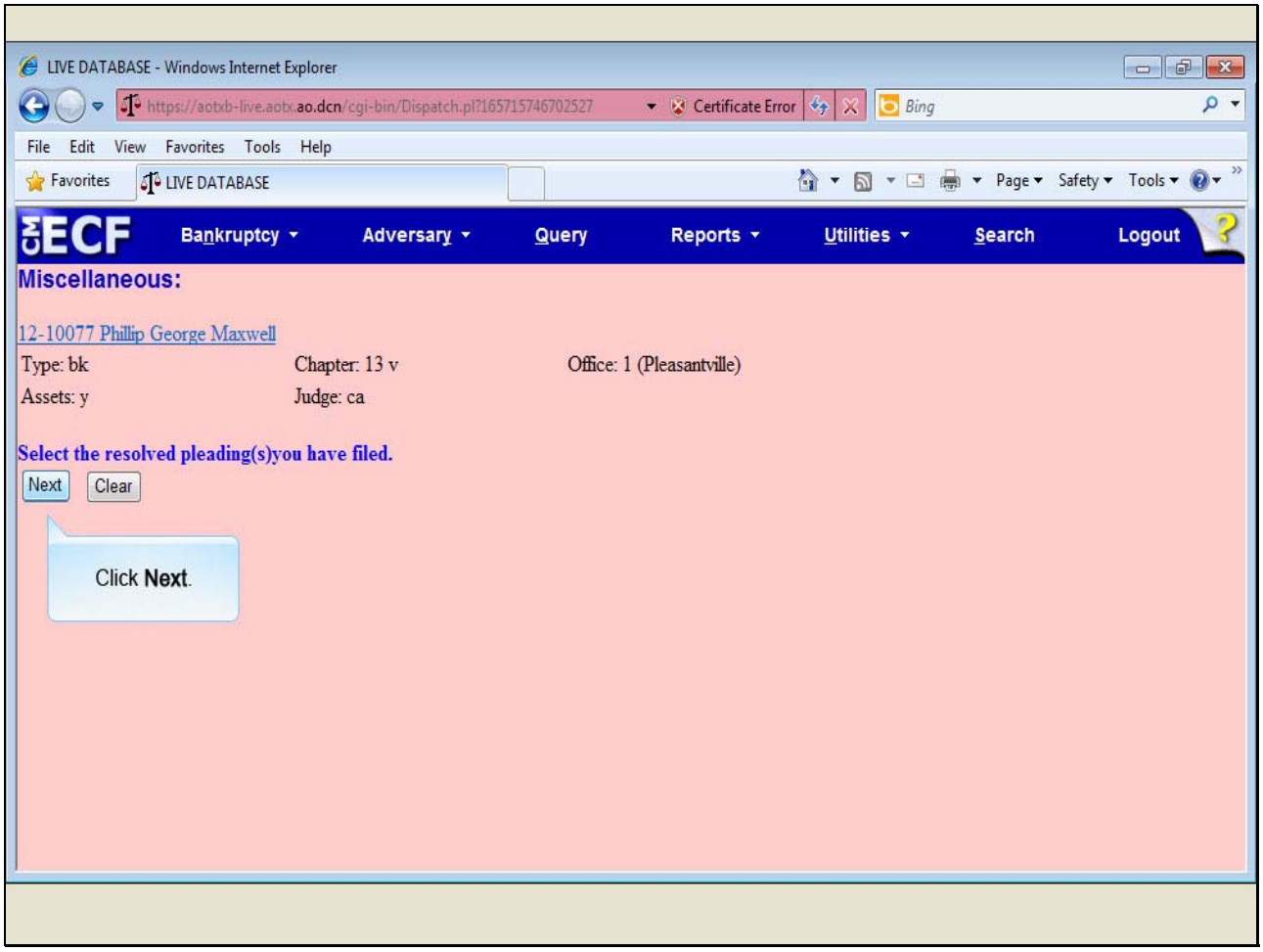

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The attorney needs to select the resolved pleading(s) that he or she has filed. I'll click Next to view these pleadings.

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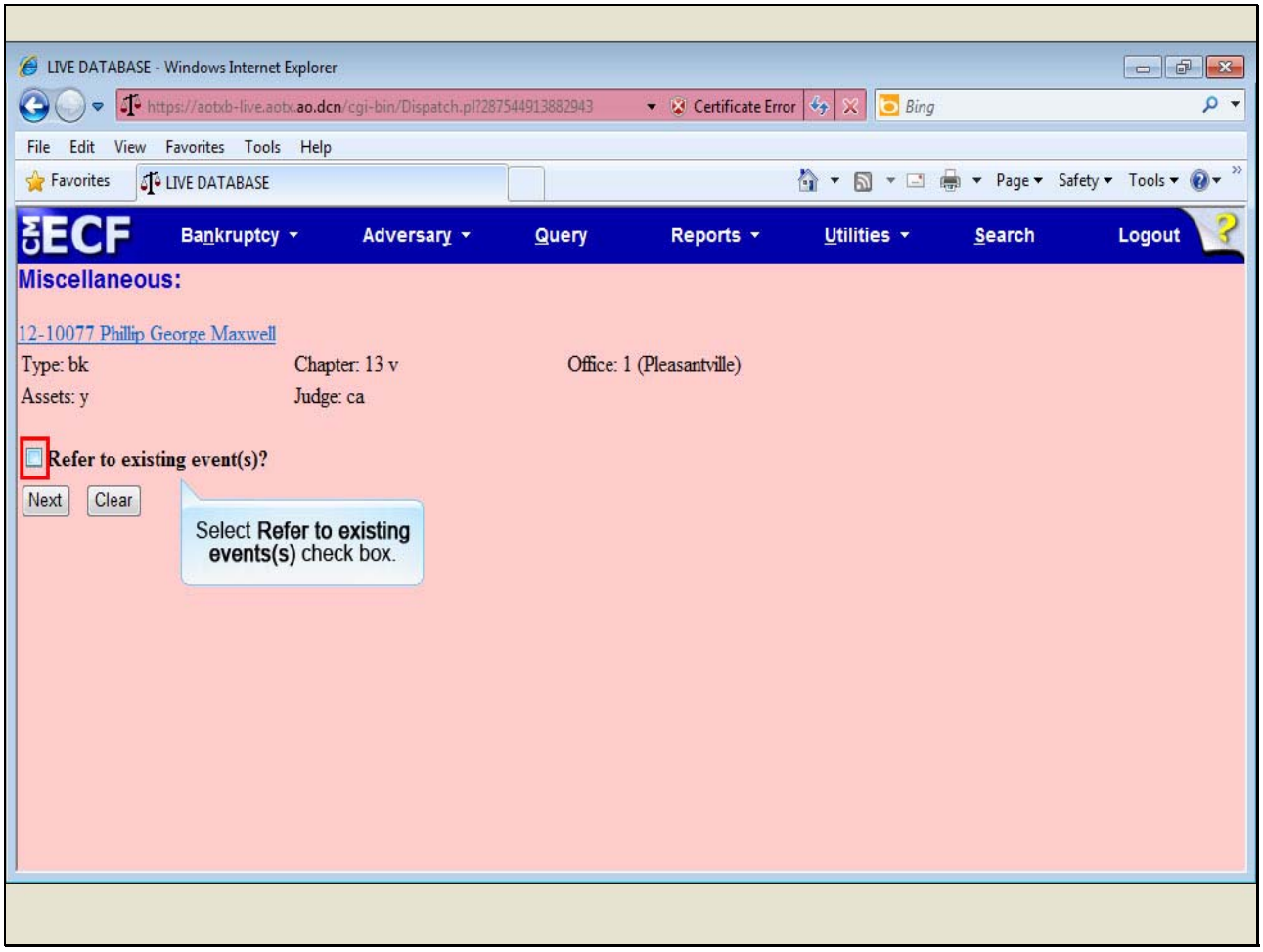

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If referring to an existing event, select the check box. Your court may want you to relate this withdrawal to the pleading or pleadings you filed that no longer need your representation. This is an optional step.

If you don't check this box, you will be taken to the final docket text screen. For this example, I'll relate this action to a motion that was filed and has been ruled on. I'll select the check box to refer to the Motion for Relief from Stay...

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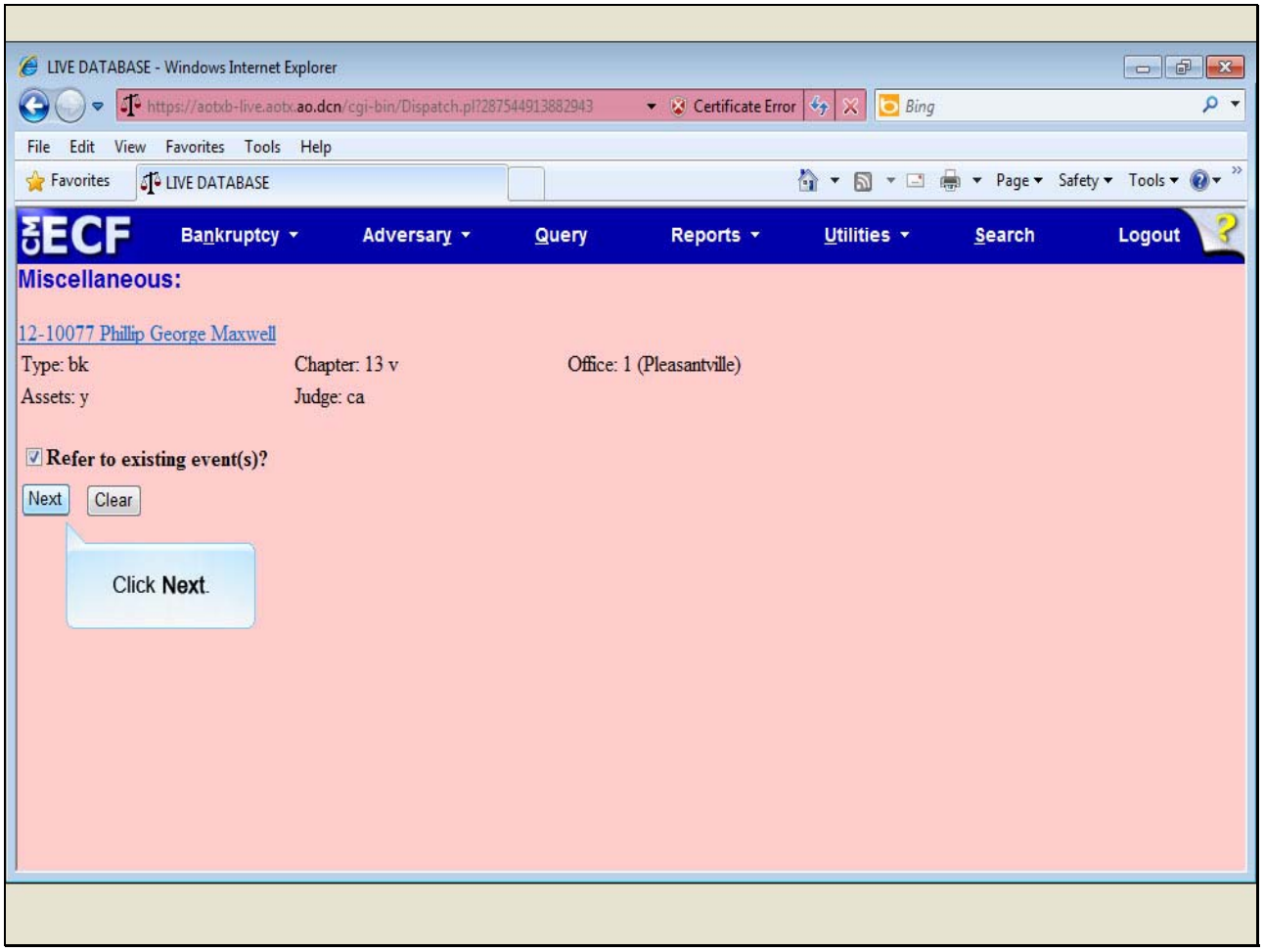

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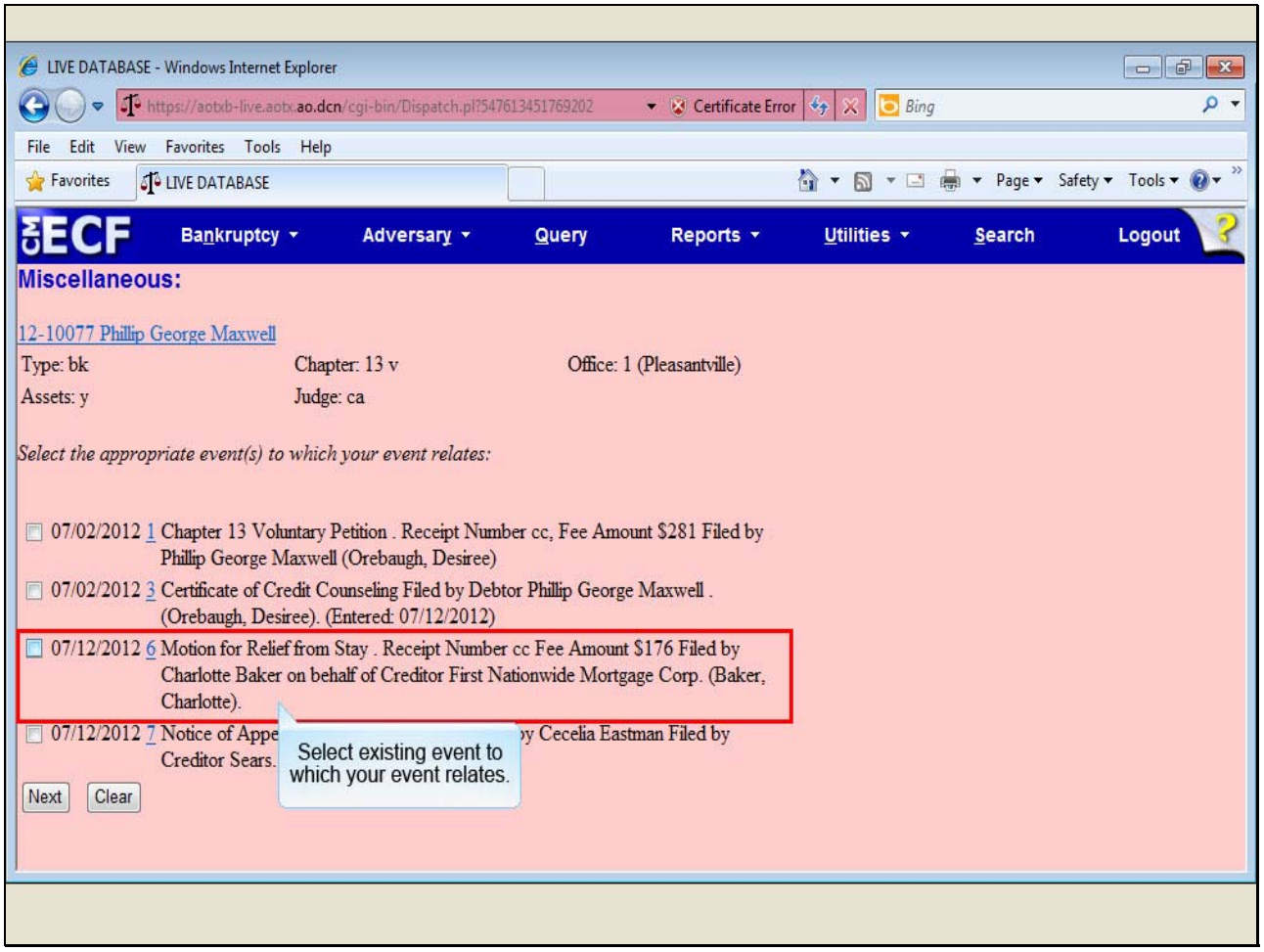

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I'll select the Motion for Relief from Stay check box that Charlotte Baker filed...

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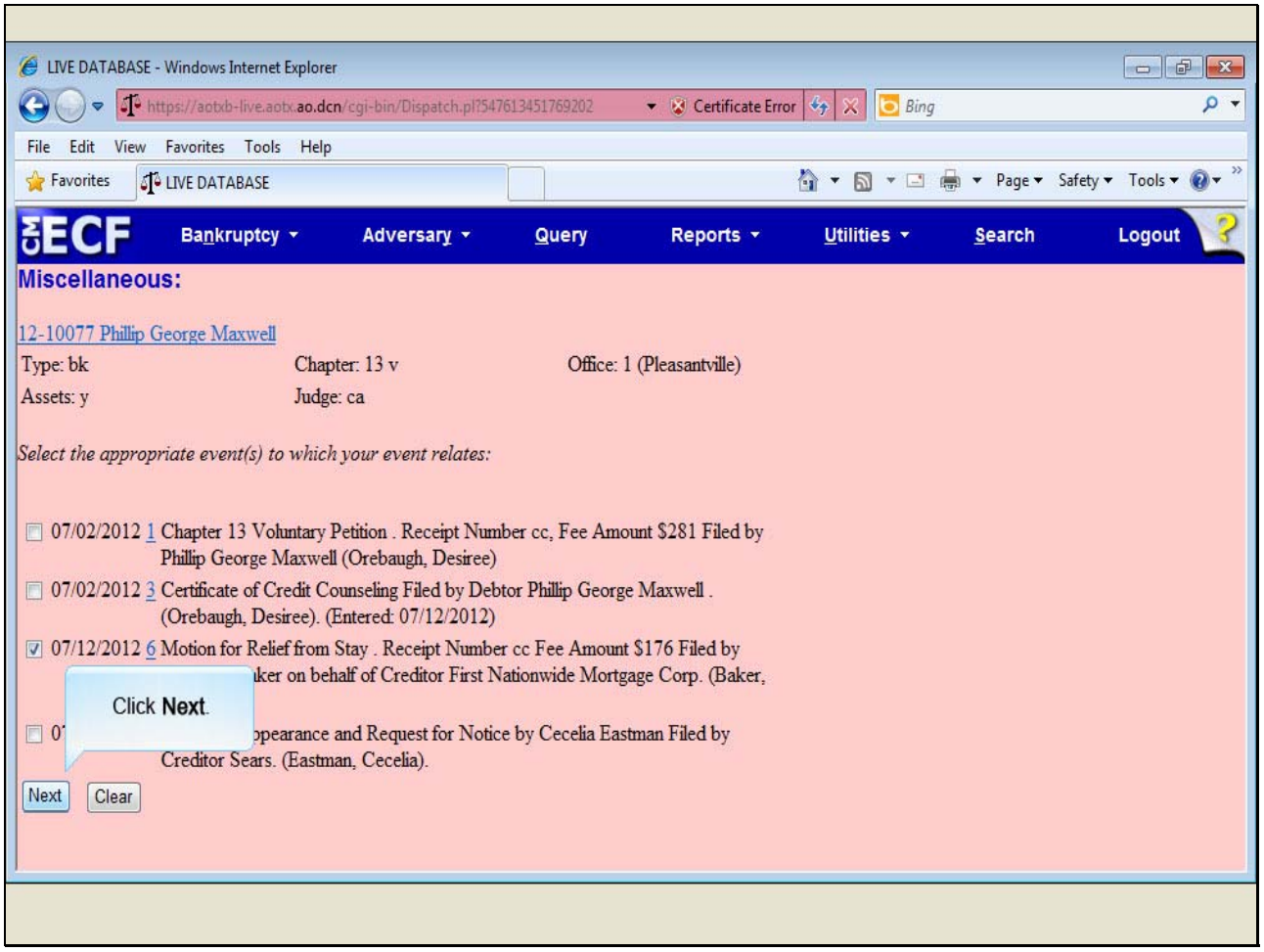

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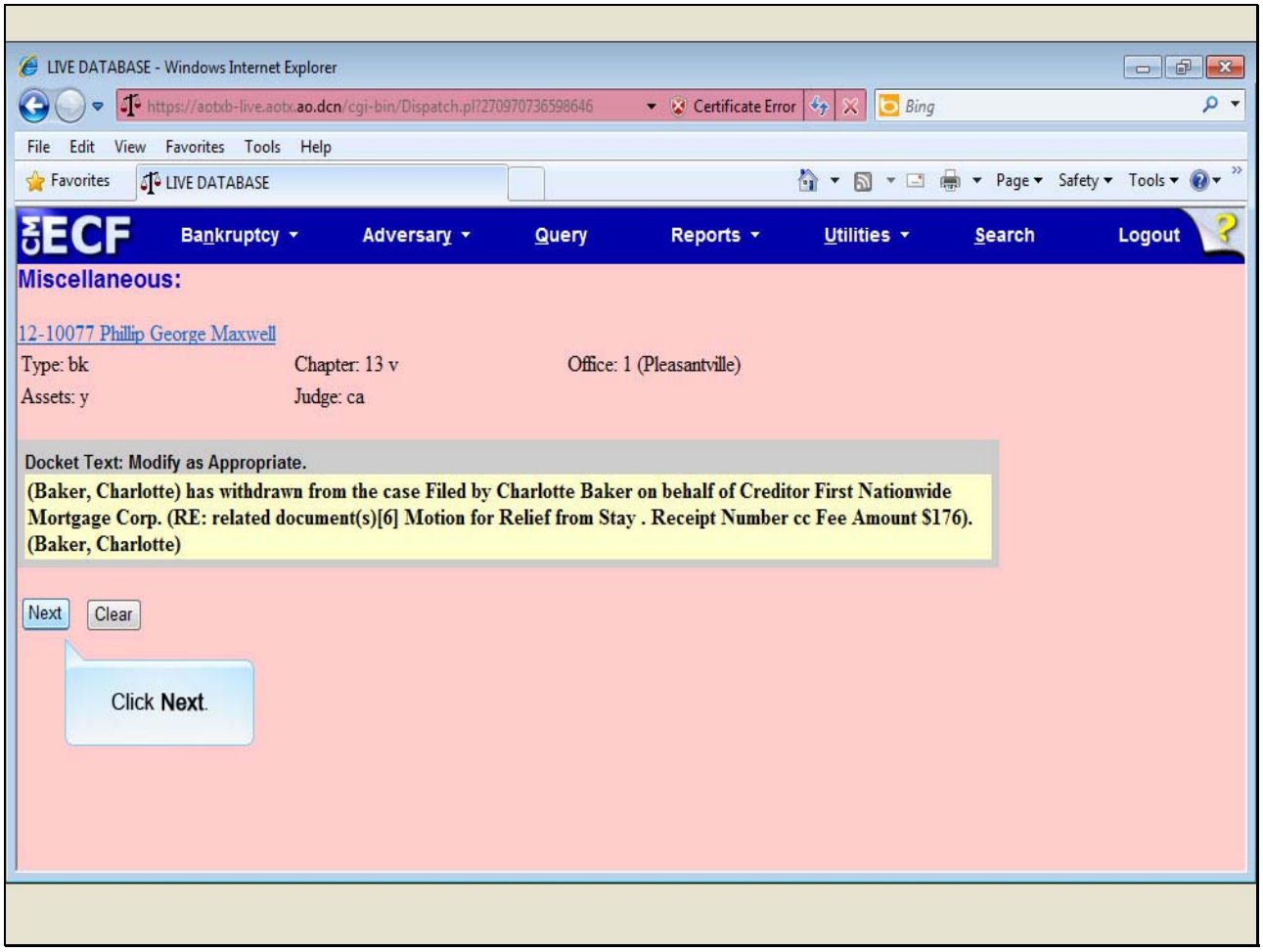

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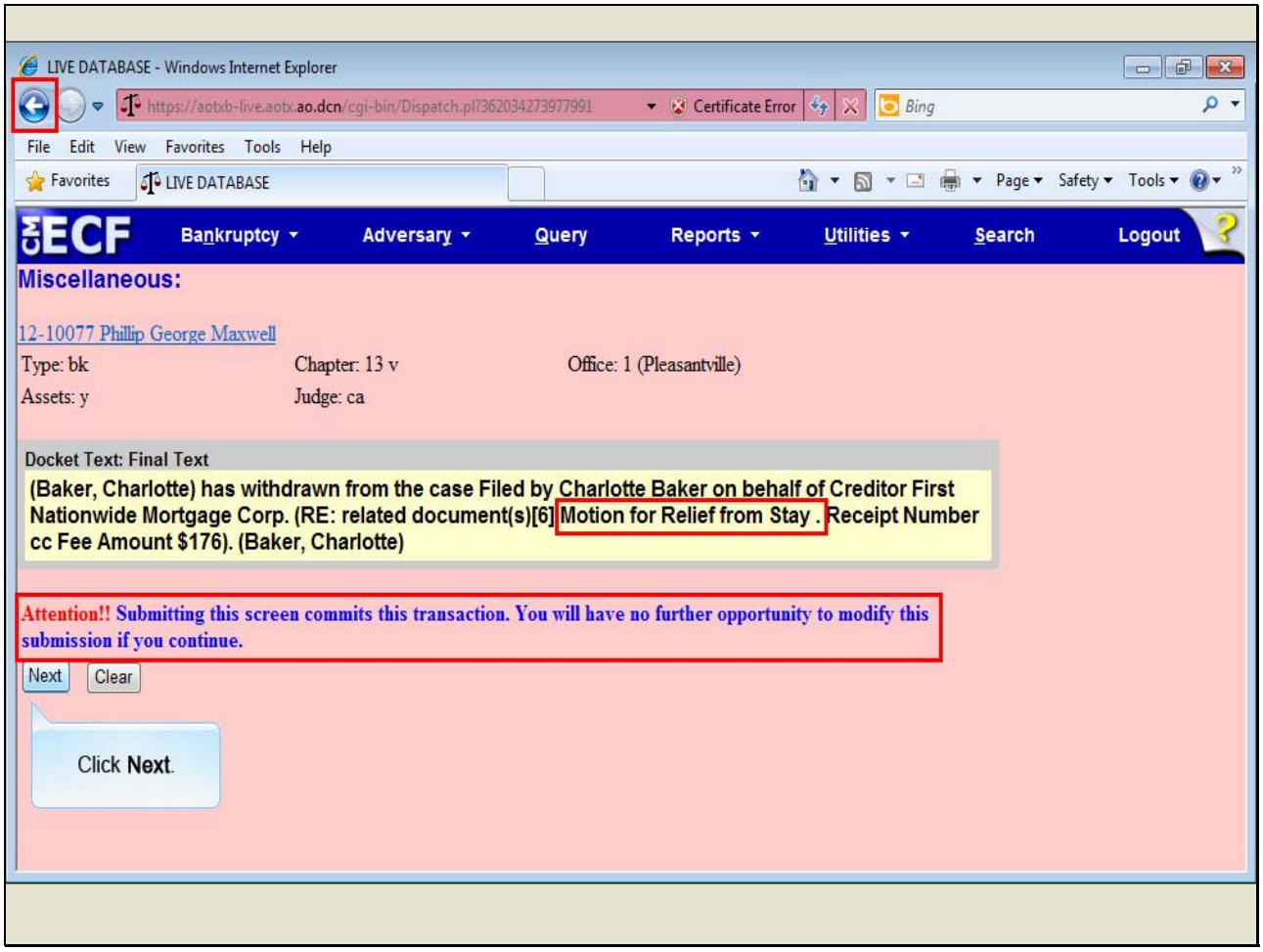

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Notice the Motion for Relief from Stay is referenced in the docket text. You cannot edit text in this docket text field. However, if you find an error in the docket text, simply click the back arrow in your browser to navigate to the screen where you need to make the correction.

If the docket text is correct, click Next. Once you click Next, you will not be able to modify this event.

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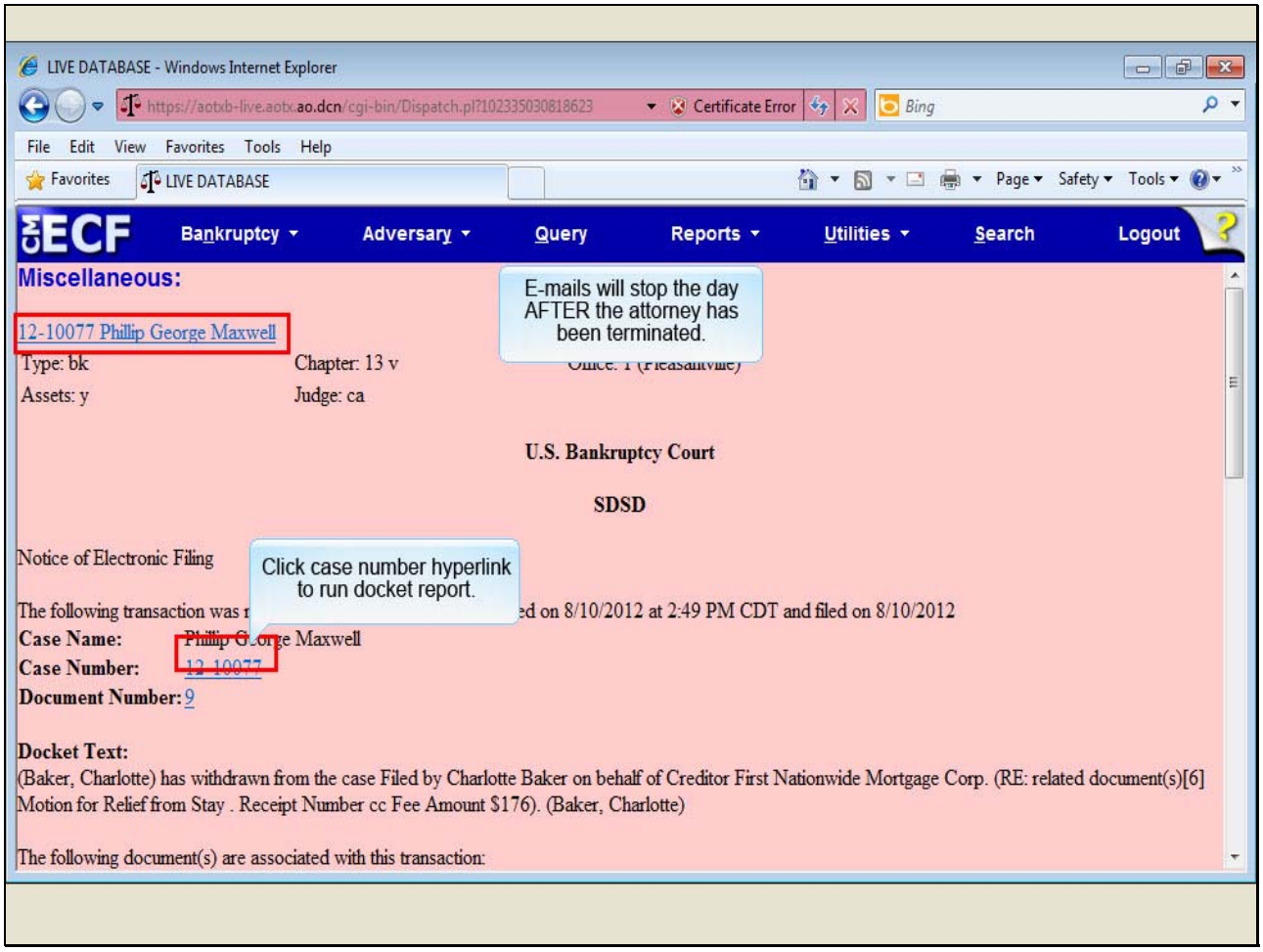

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It's important to note that e-mails may continue for the remainder of the day when the association is terminated, but no e-mails will be sent from the following day forward.

The attorney will also be removed from the mailing matrix to prevent unnecessary noticing. To view the docket report, you can click the case number with the debtor name or the case number.

I'll click the case number hyperlink to view the docket report.

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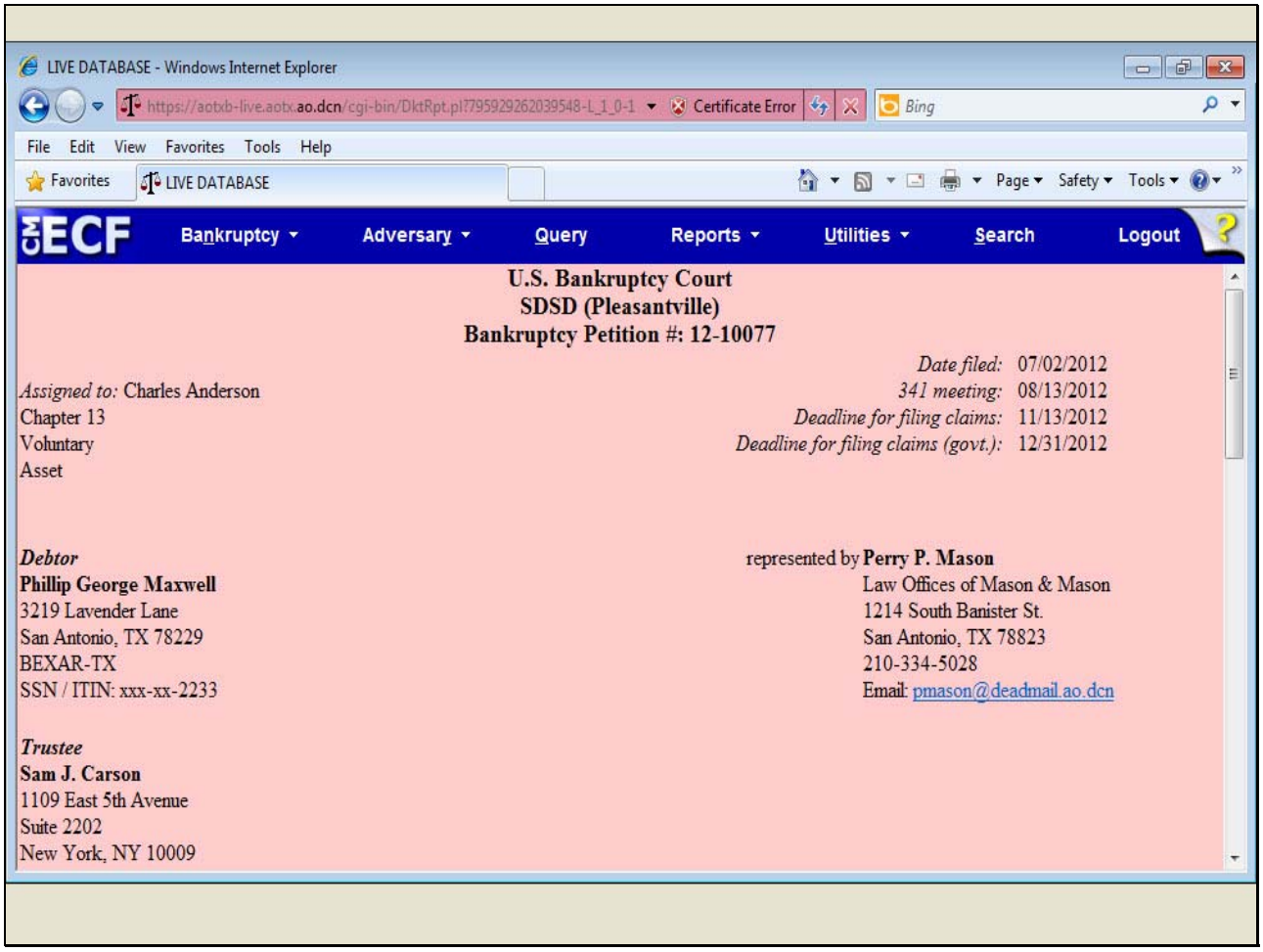

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I'll scroll down the docket report to view the Withdraw as Attorney event.

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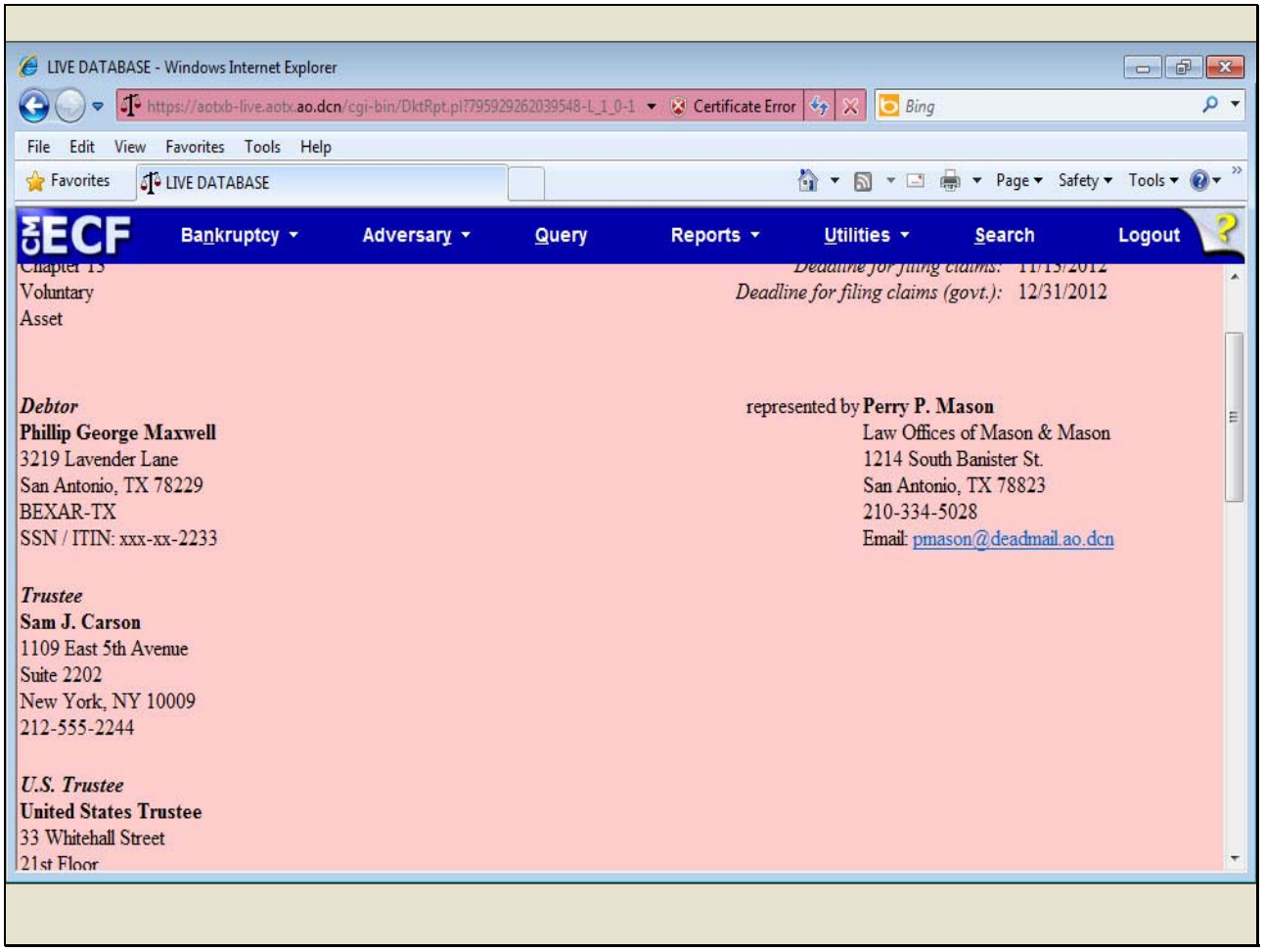

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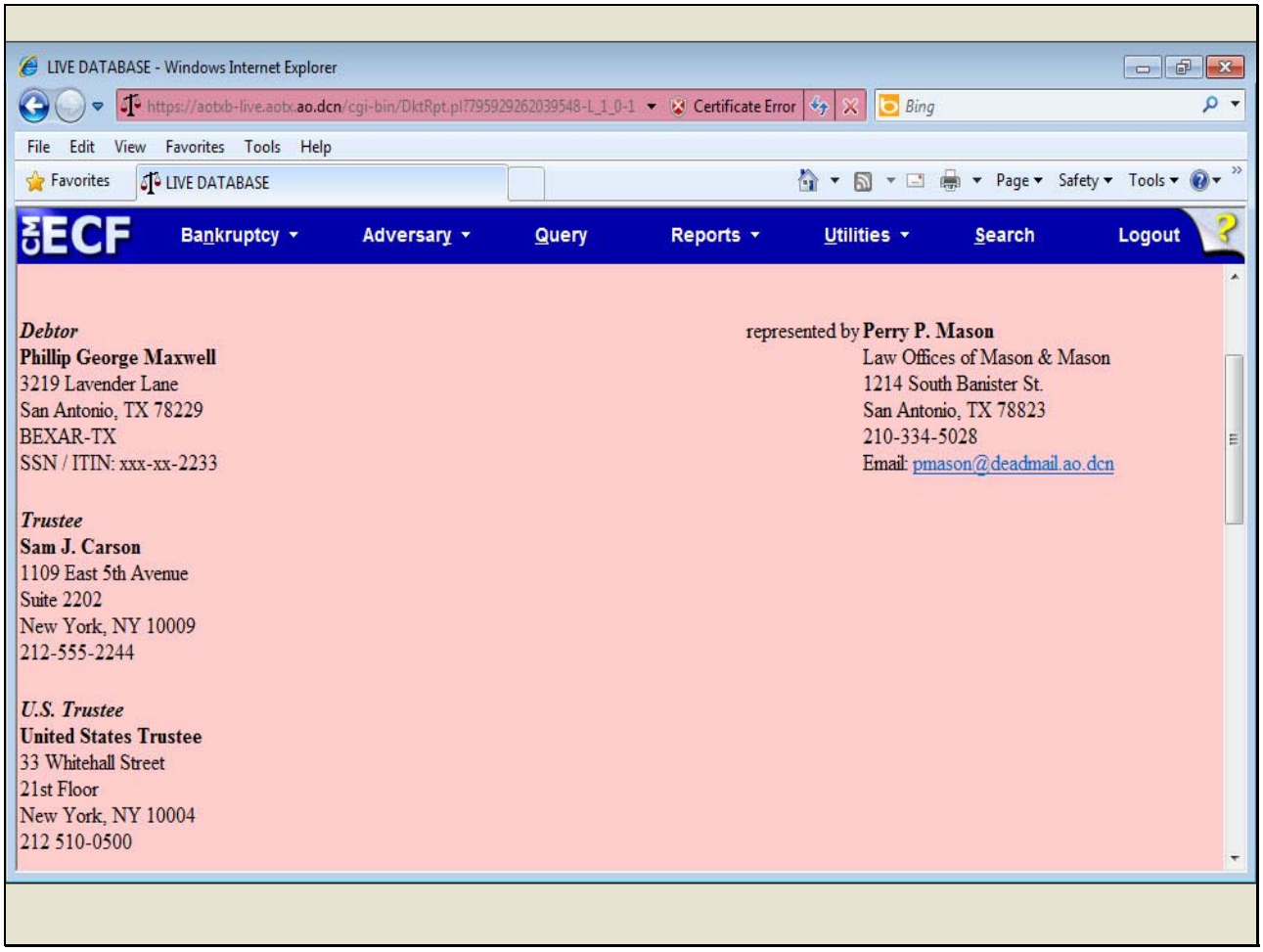

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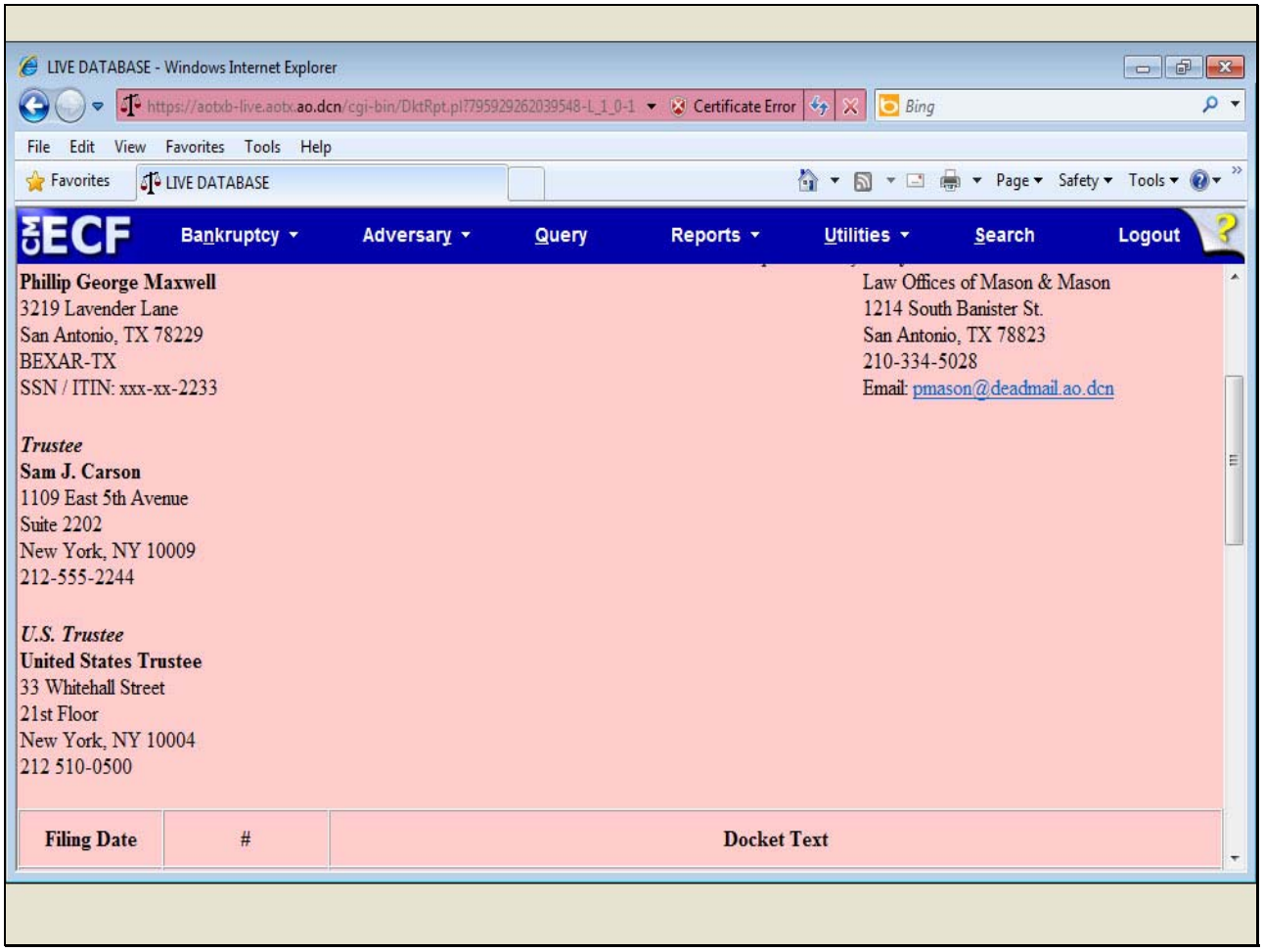

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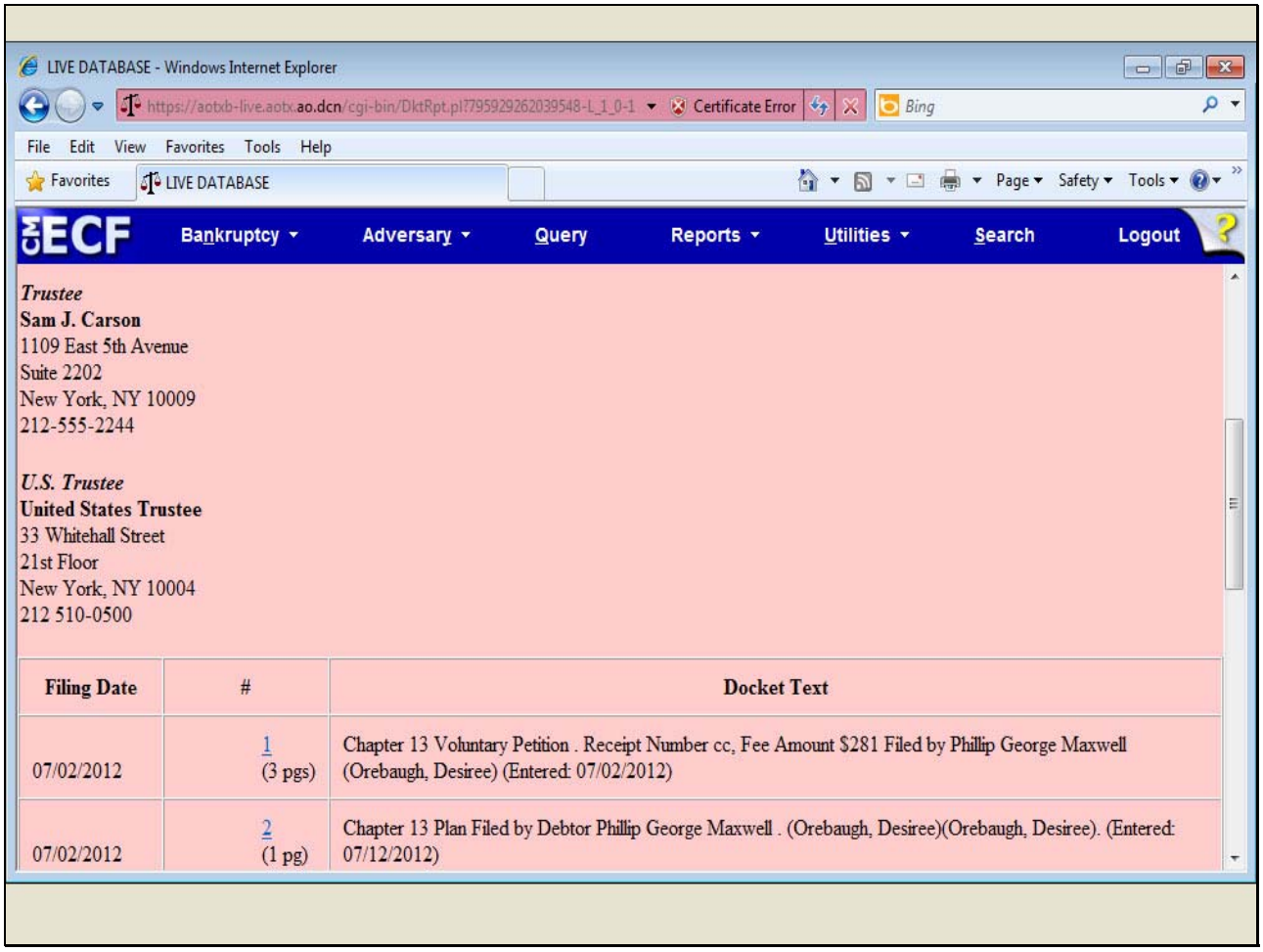

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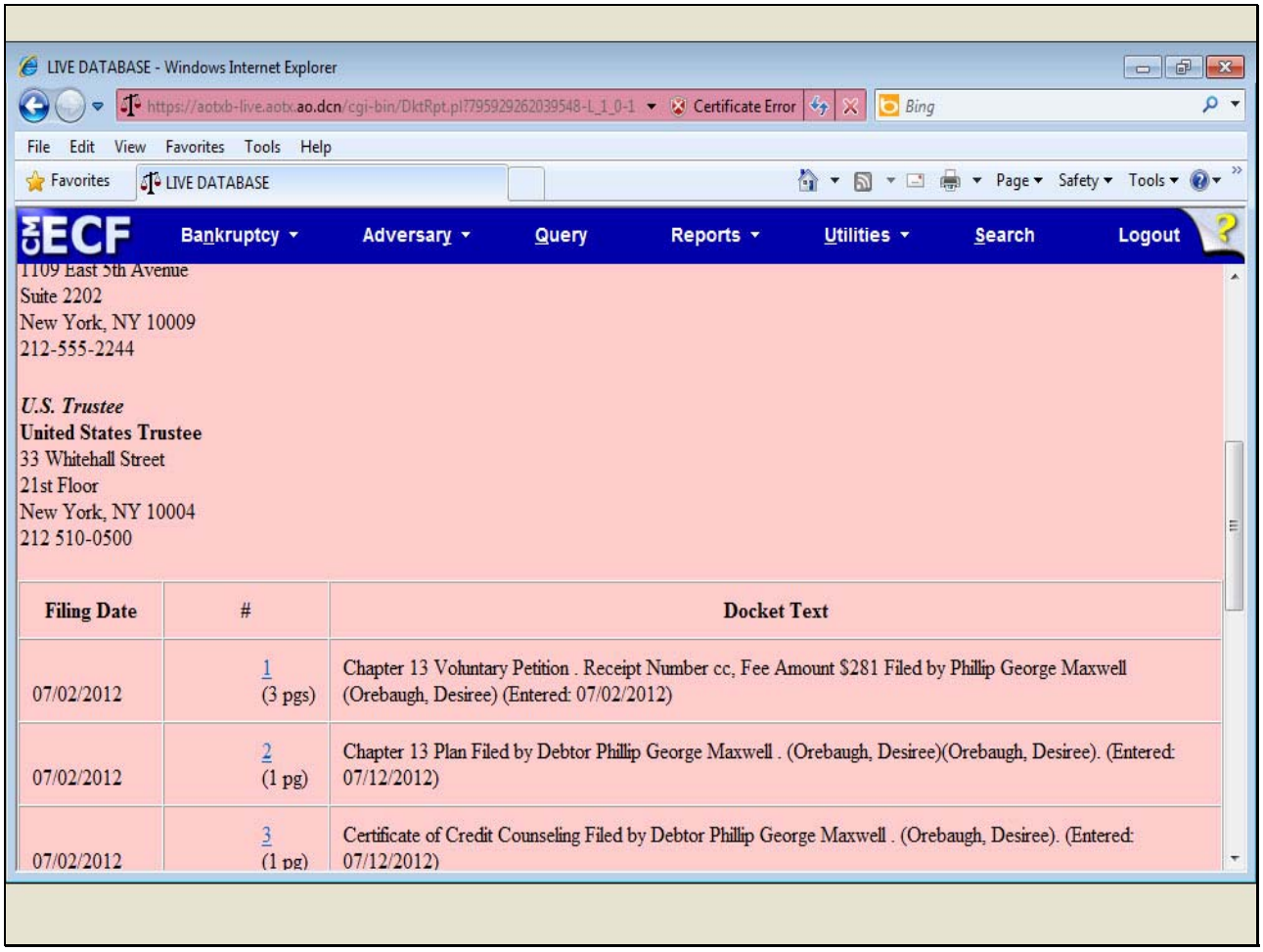

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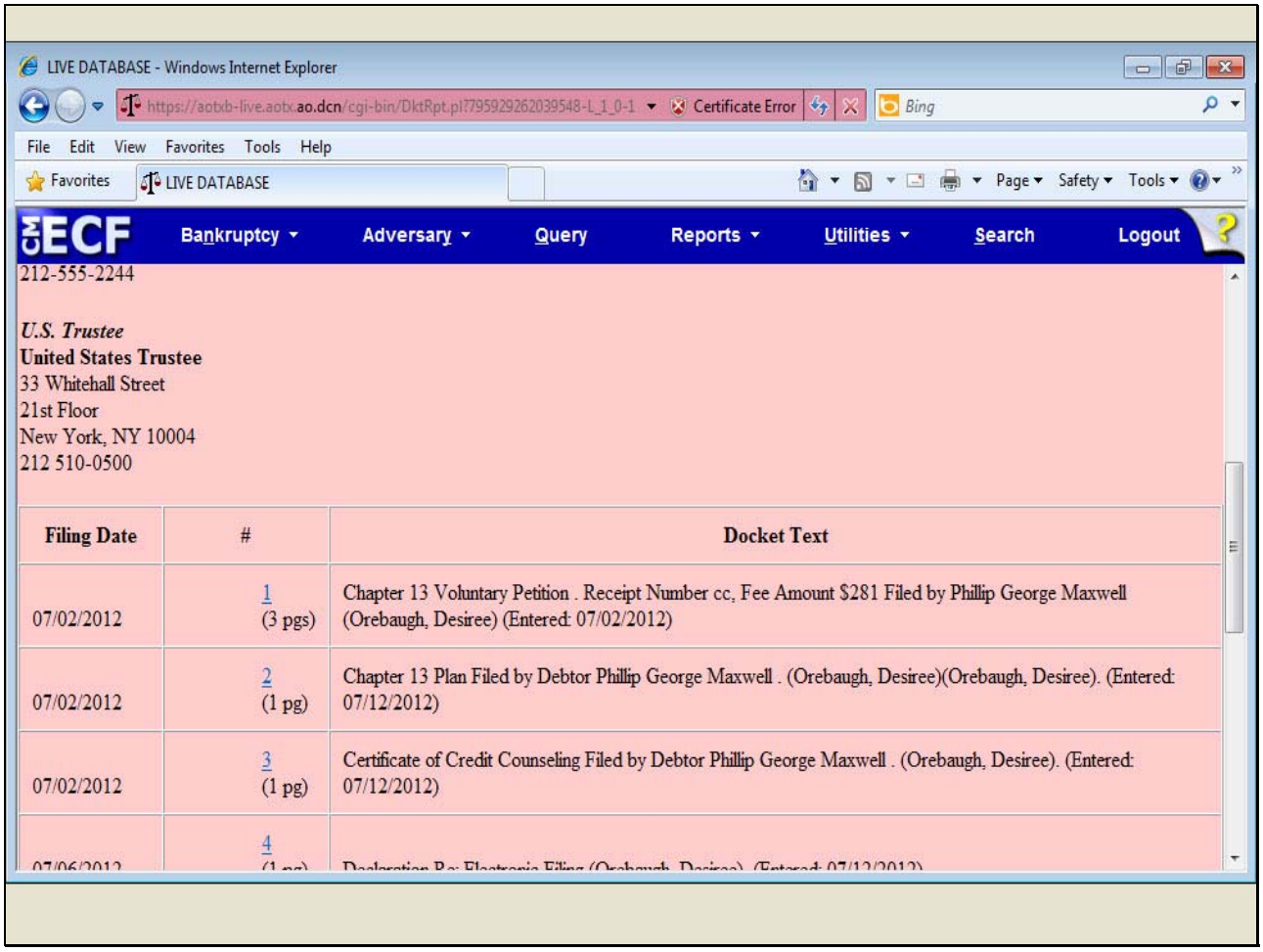

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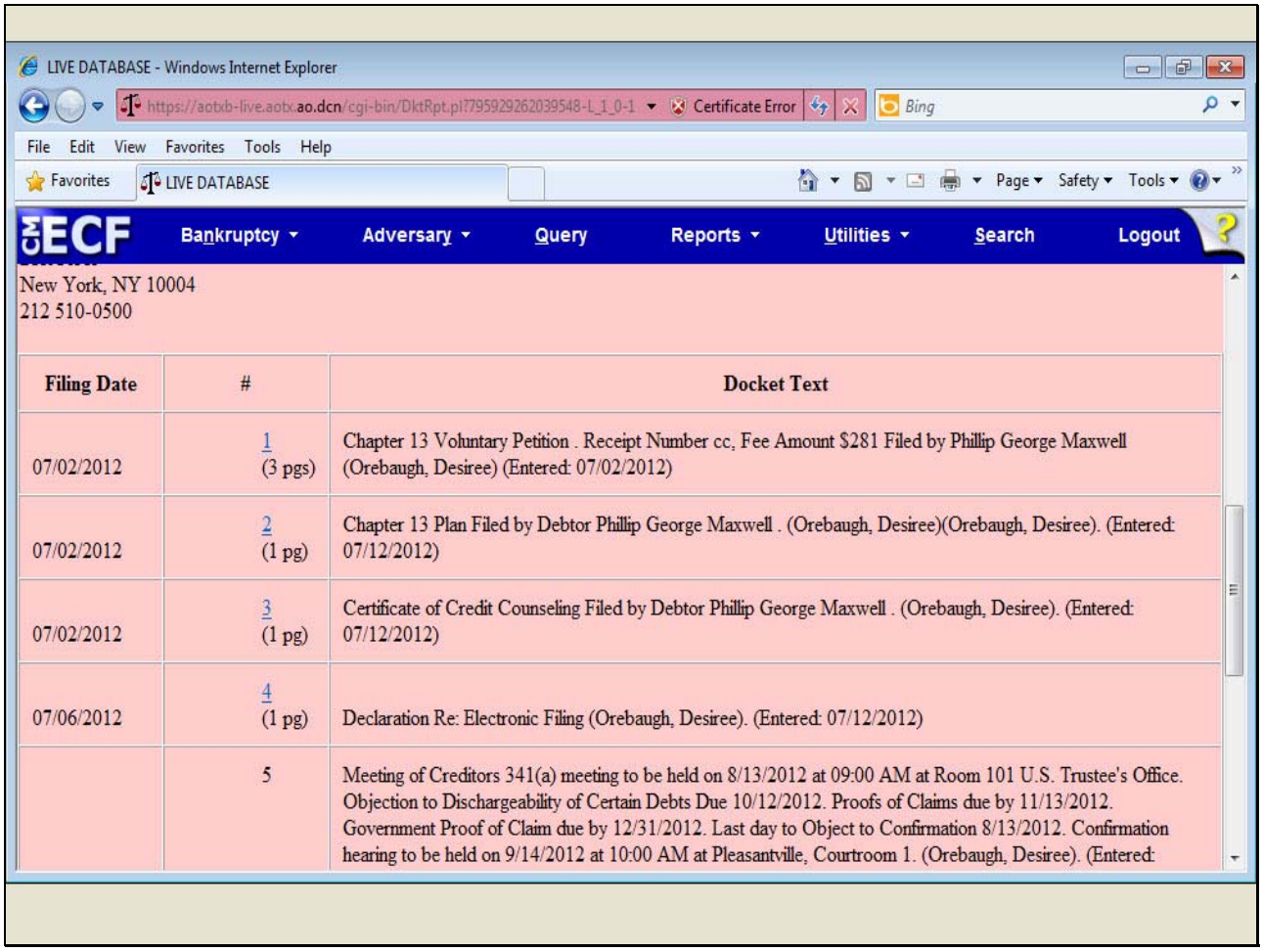

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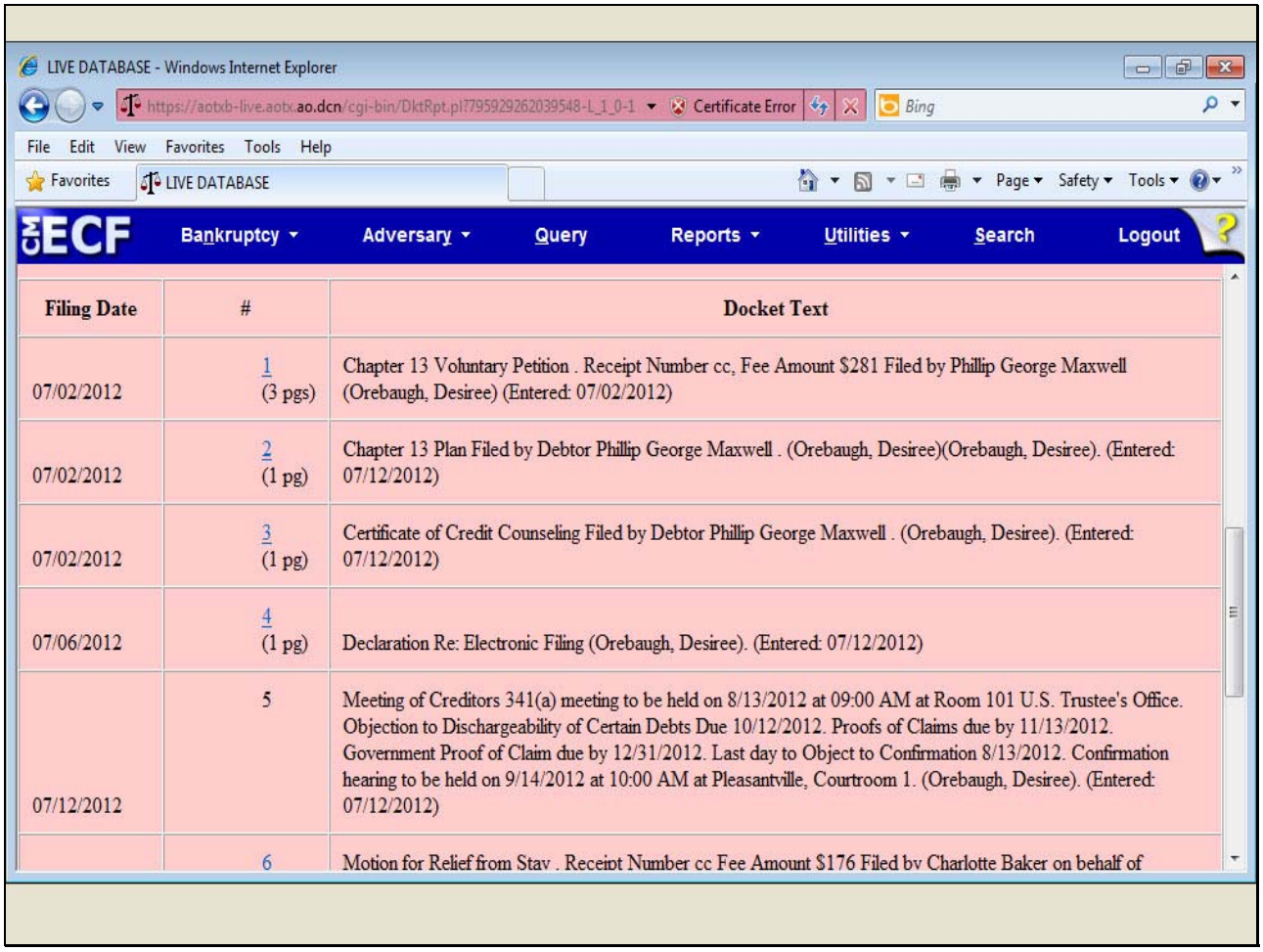

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07/06/2012	4 (1 pg)	Declaration Re: Electronic Filing (Orebaugh, Desiree). (Entered: 07/12/2012)
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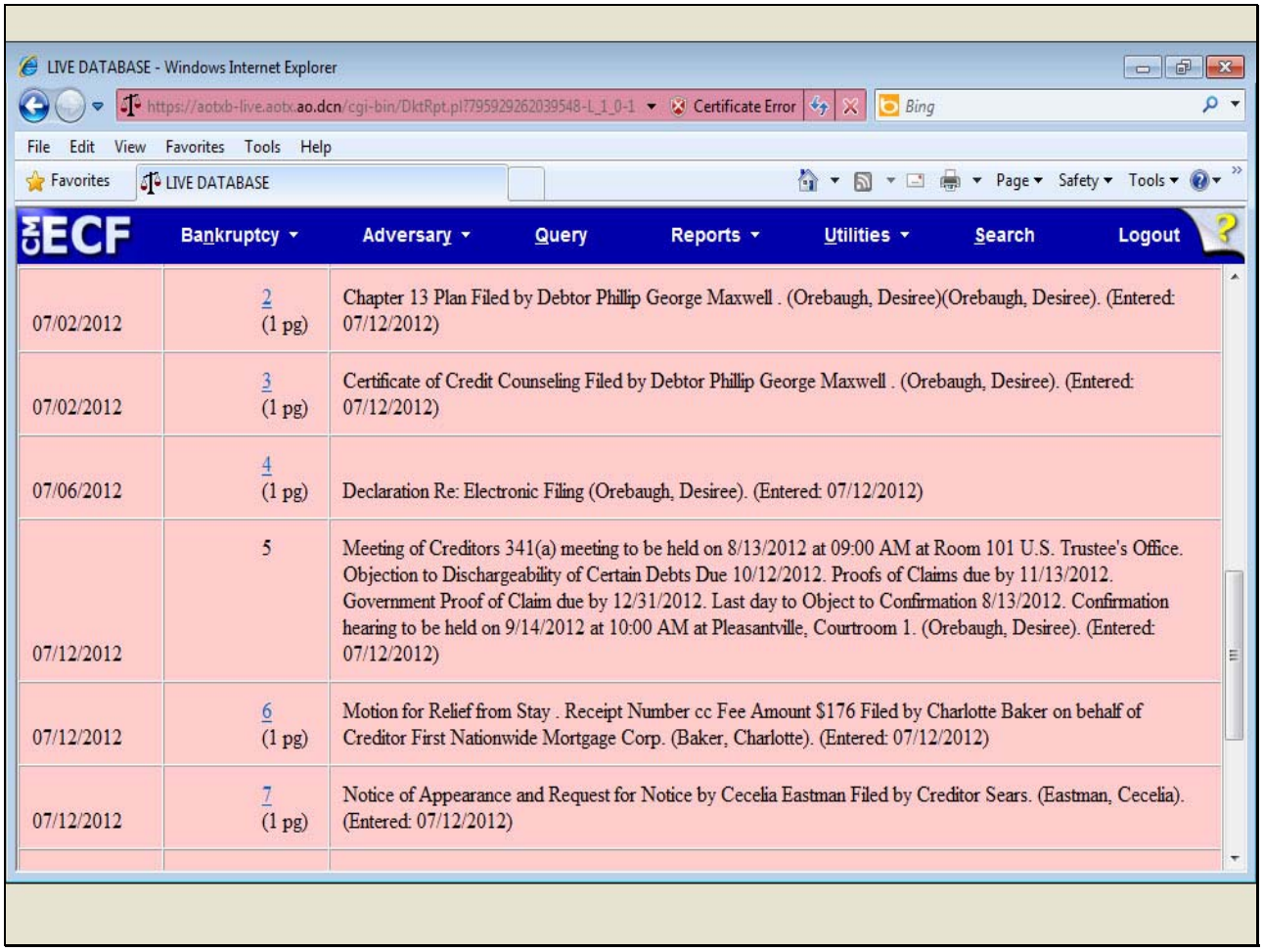

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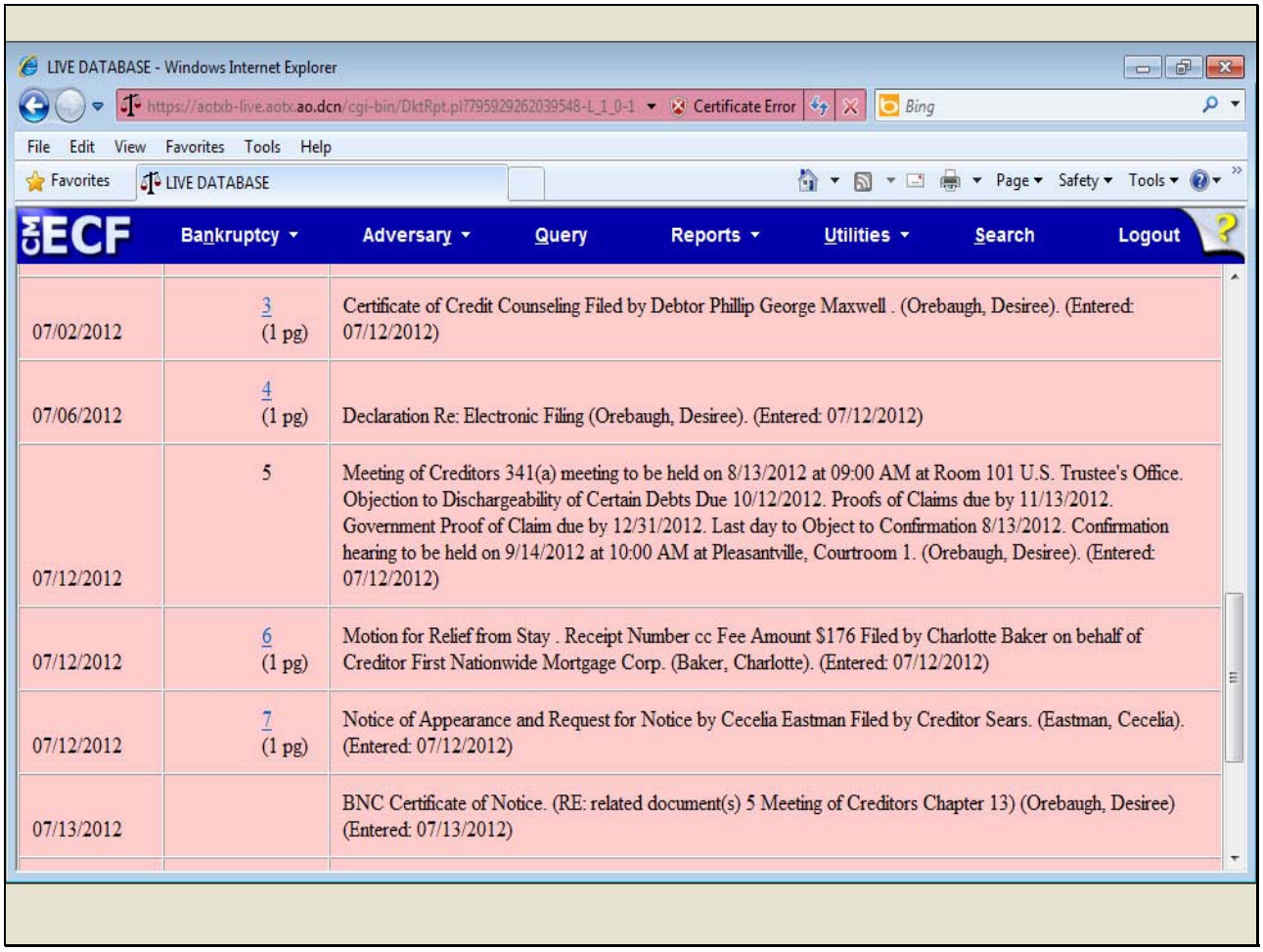

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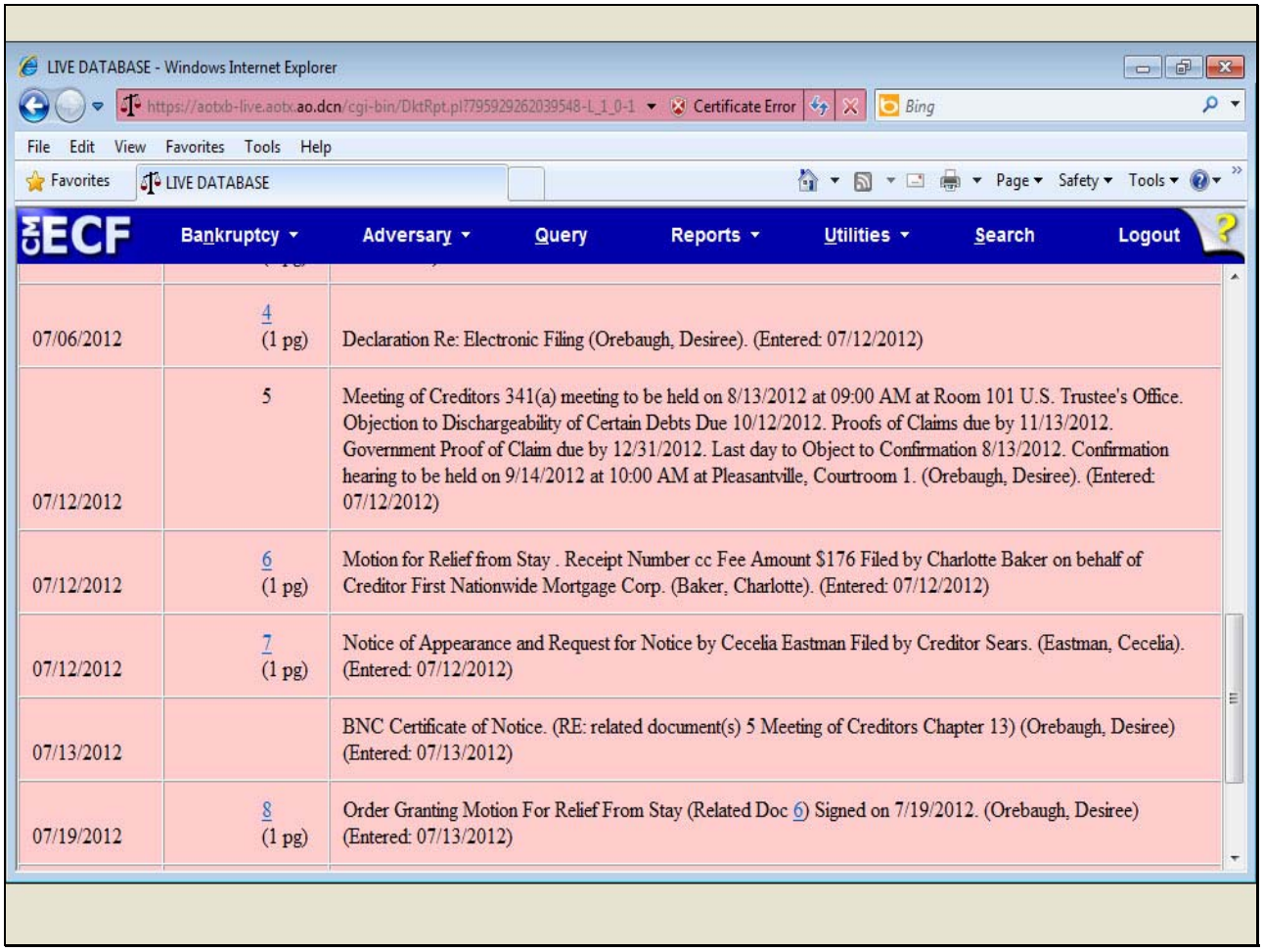

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07/12/2012	5	Meeting of Creditors 341(a) meeting to be held on 8/13/2012 at 09:00 AM at Room 101 U.S. Trustee's Office. Objection to Dischargeability of Certain Debts Due 10/12/2012. Proofs of Claims due by 11/13/2012. Government Proof of Claim due by 12/31/2012. Last day to Object to Confirmation 8/13/2012. Confirmation hearing to be held on 9/14/2012 at 10:00 AM at Pleasantville, Courtroom 1. (Orebaugh, Desiree). (Entered: 07/12/2012)
07/12/2012	6 (1 pg)	Motion for Relief from Stay . Receipt Number cc Fee Amount $176 Filed by Charlotte Baker on behalf of Creditor First Nationwide Mortgage Corp. (Baker, Charlotte). (Entered: 07/12/2012)
07/12/2012	7 (1 pg)	Notice of Appearance and Request for Notice by Cecelia Eastman Filed by Creditor Sears. (Eastman, Cecelia). (Entered: 07/12/2012)
07/13/2012		BNC Certificate of Notice. (RE: related document(s) 5 Meeting of Creditors Chapter 13) (Orebaugh, Desiree) (Entered: 07/13/2012)
07/19/2012	8 (1 pg)	Order Granting Motion For Relief From Stay (Related Doc 6) Signed on 7/19/2012. (Orebaugh, Desiree) (Entered: 07/13/2012)

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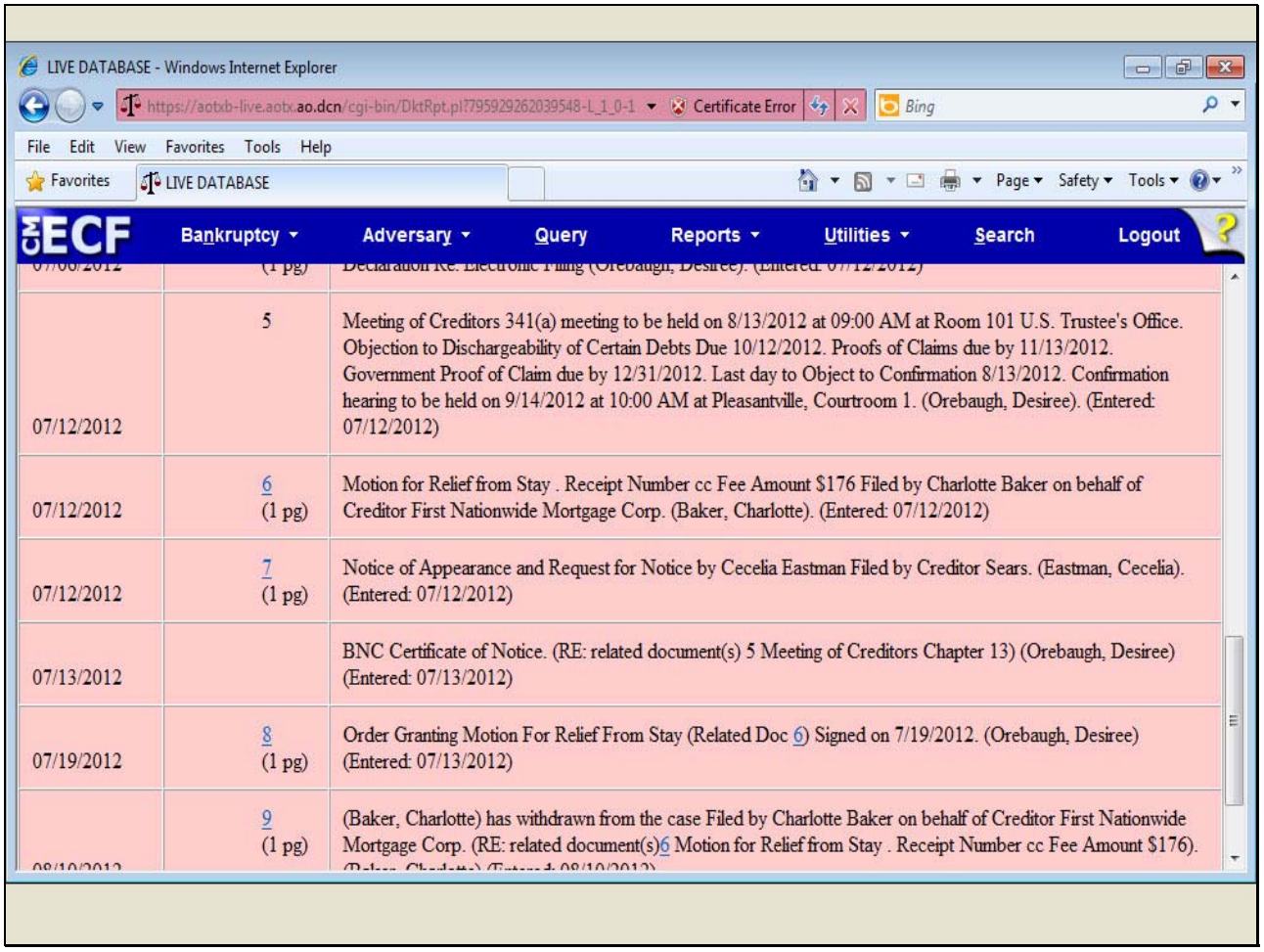

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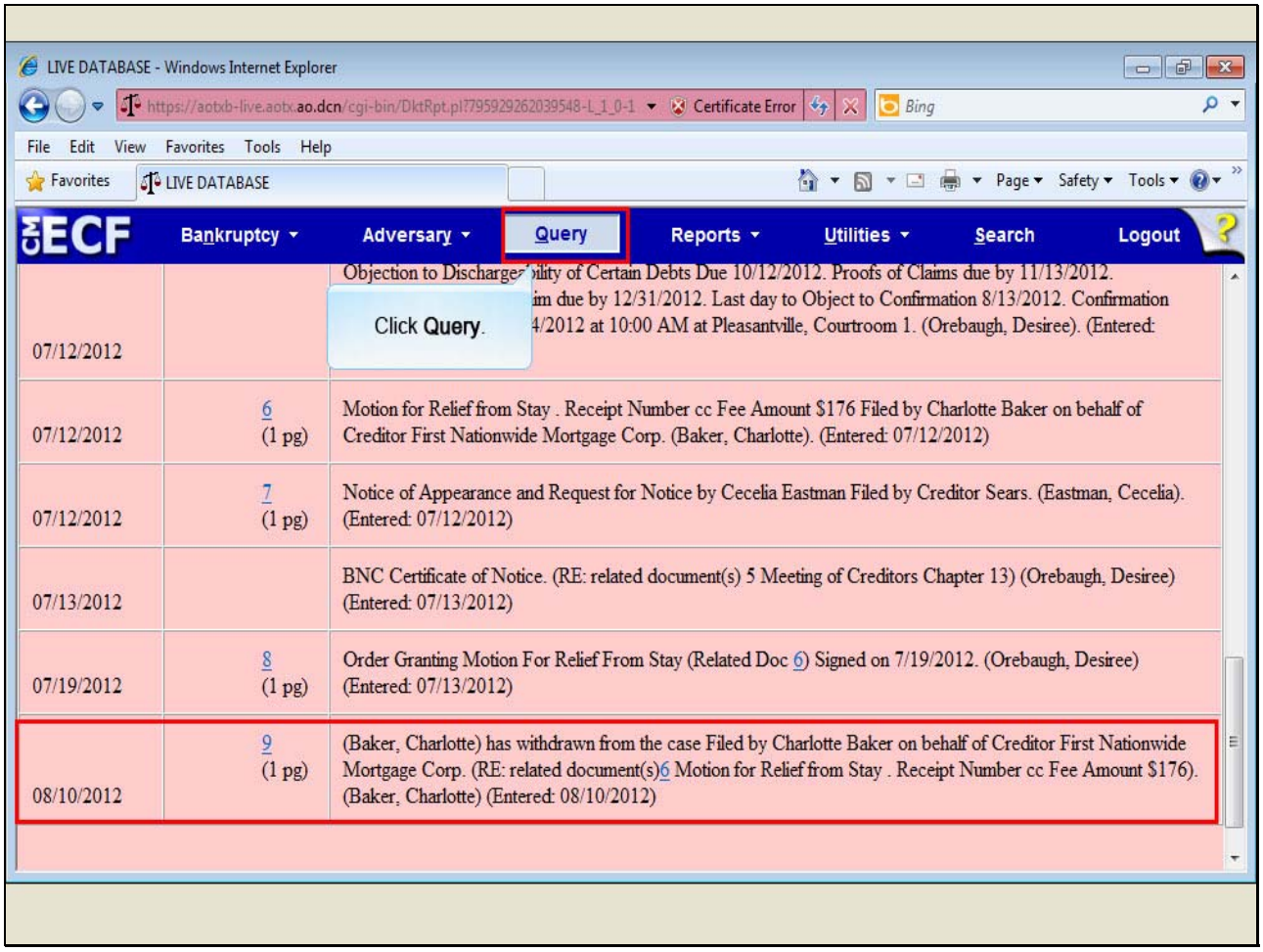

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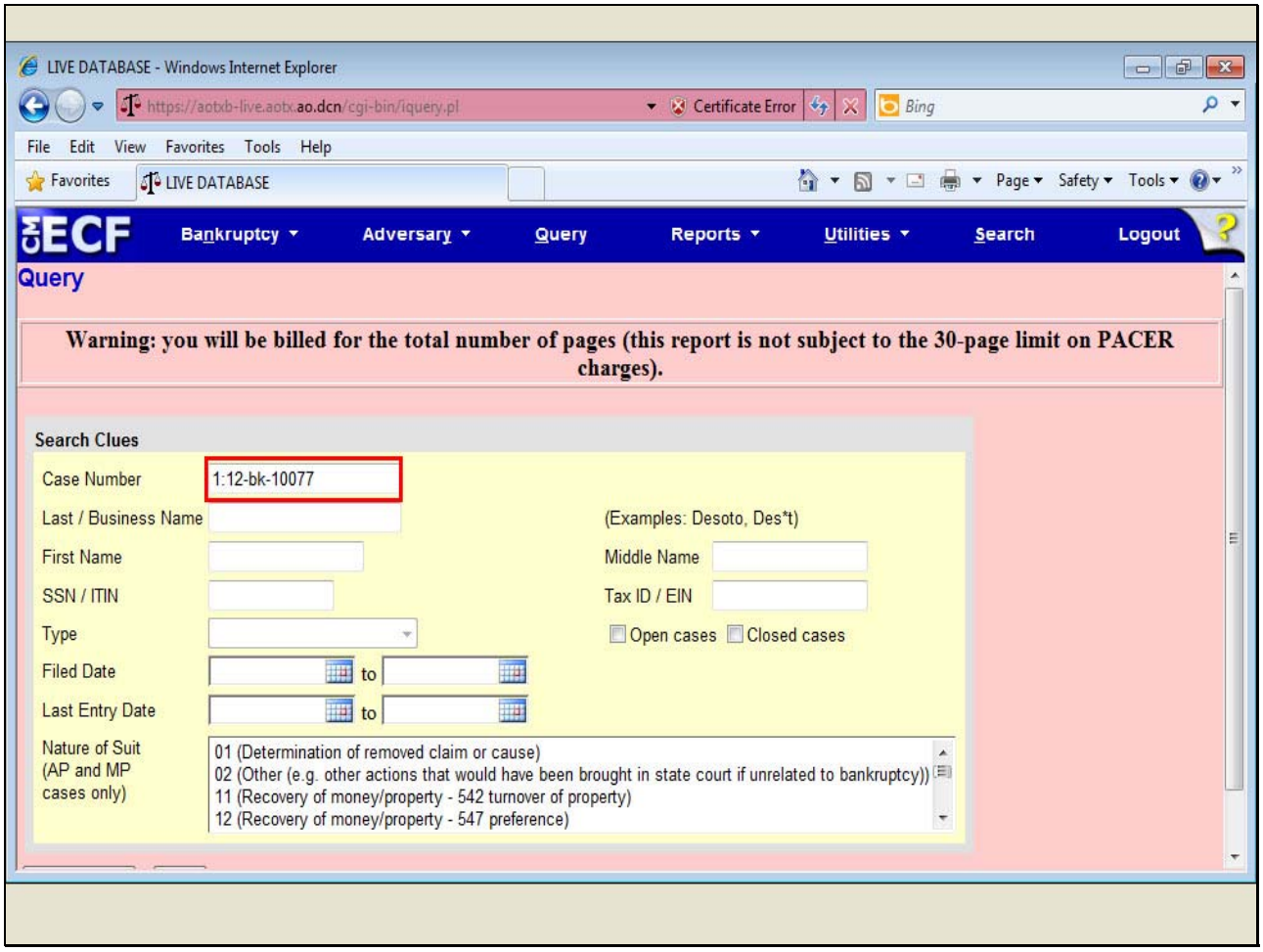

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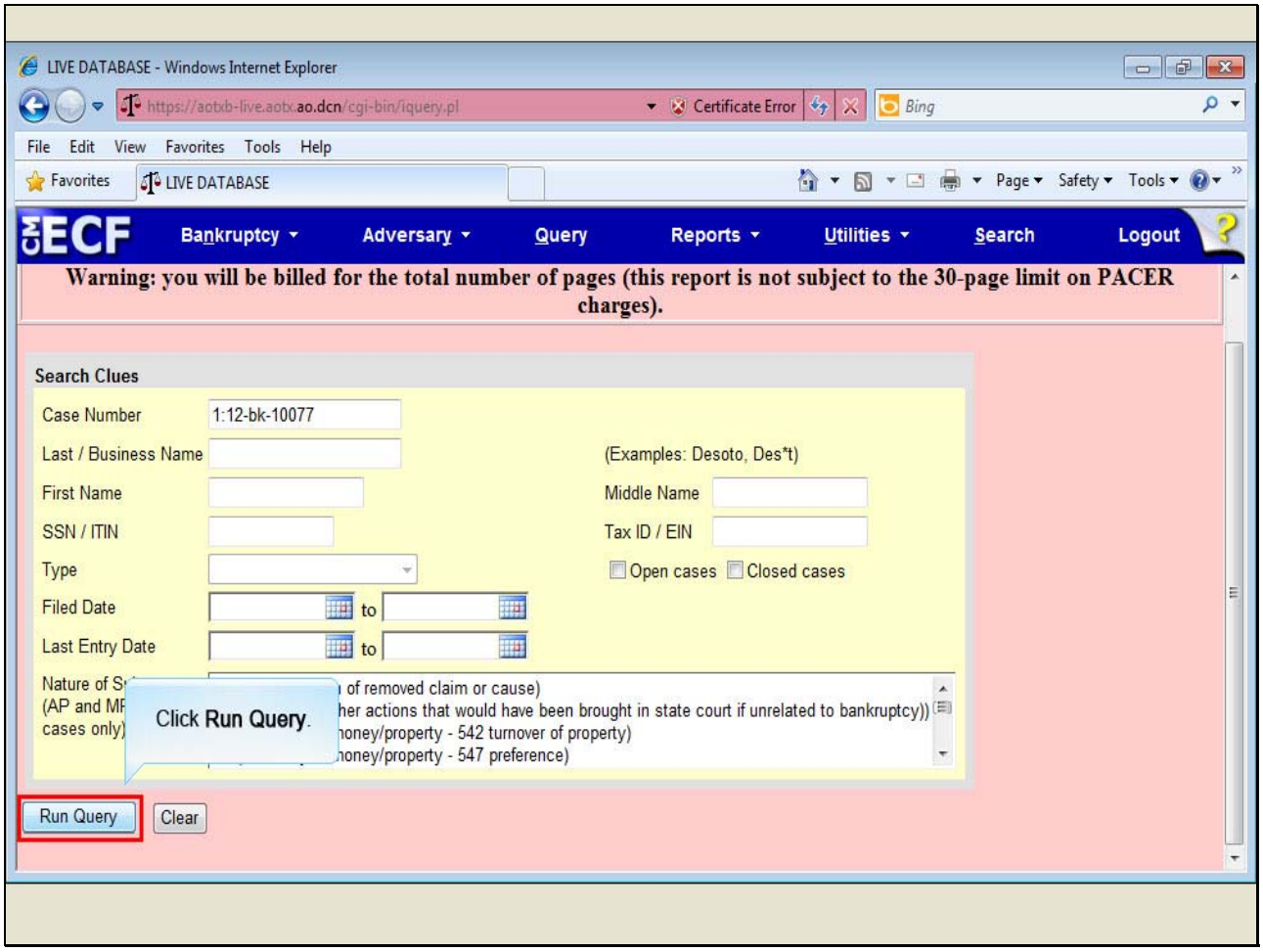

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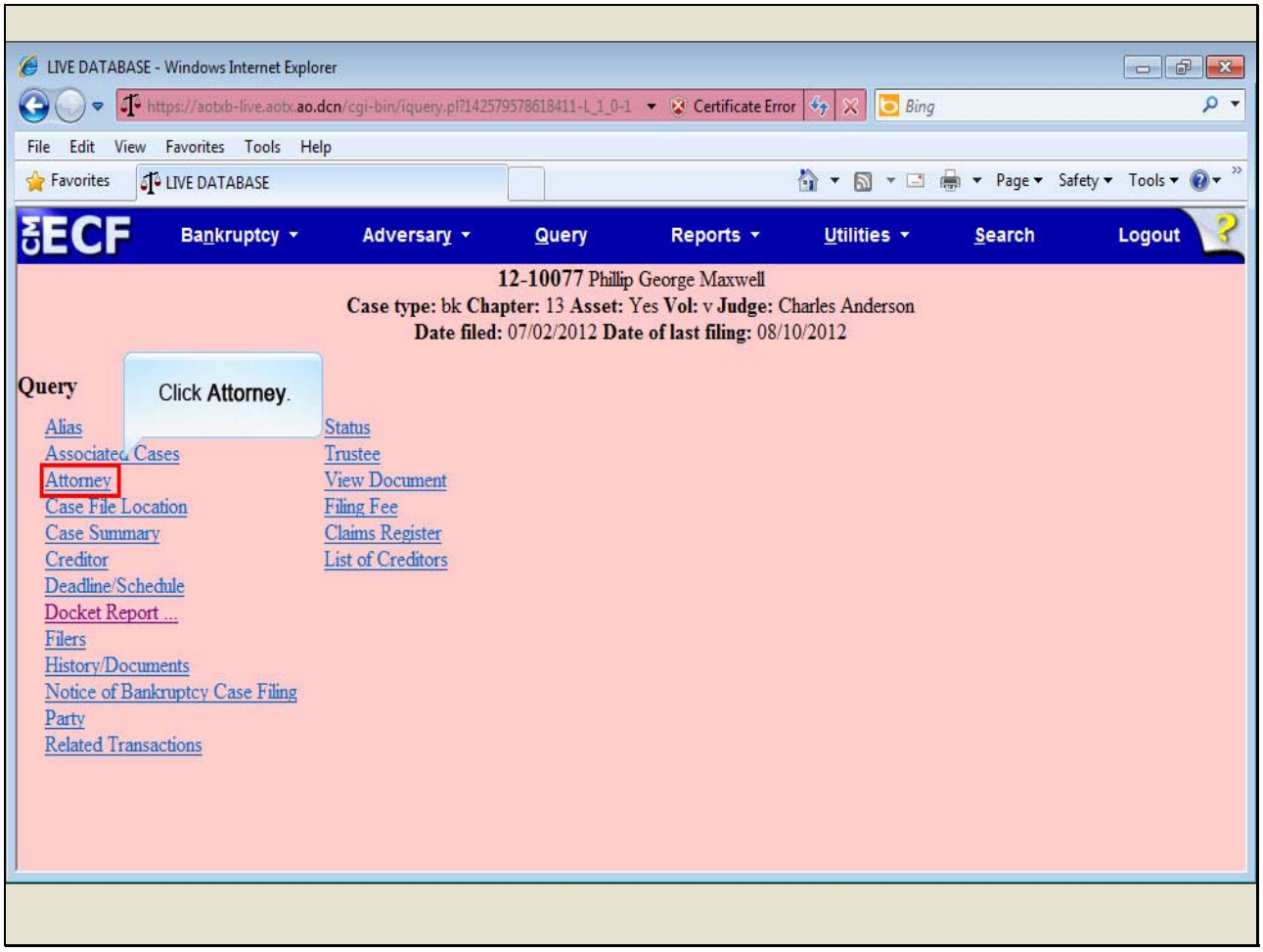

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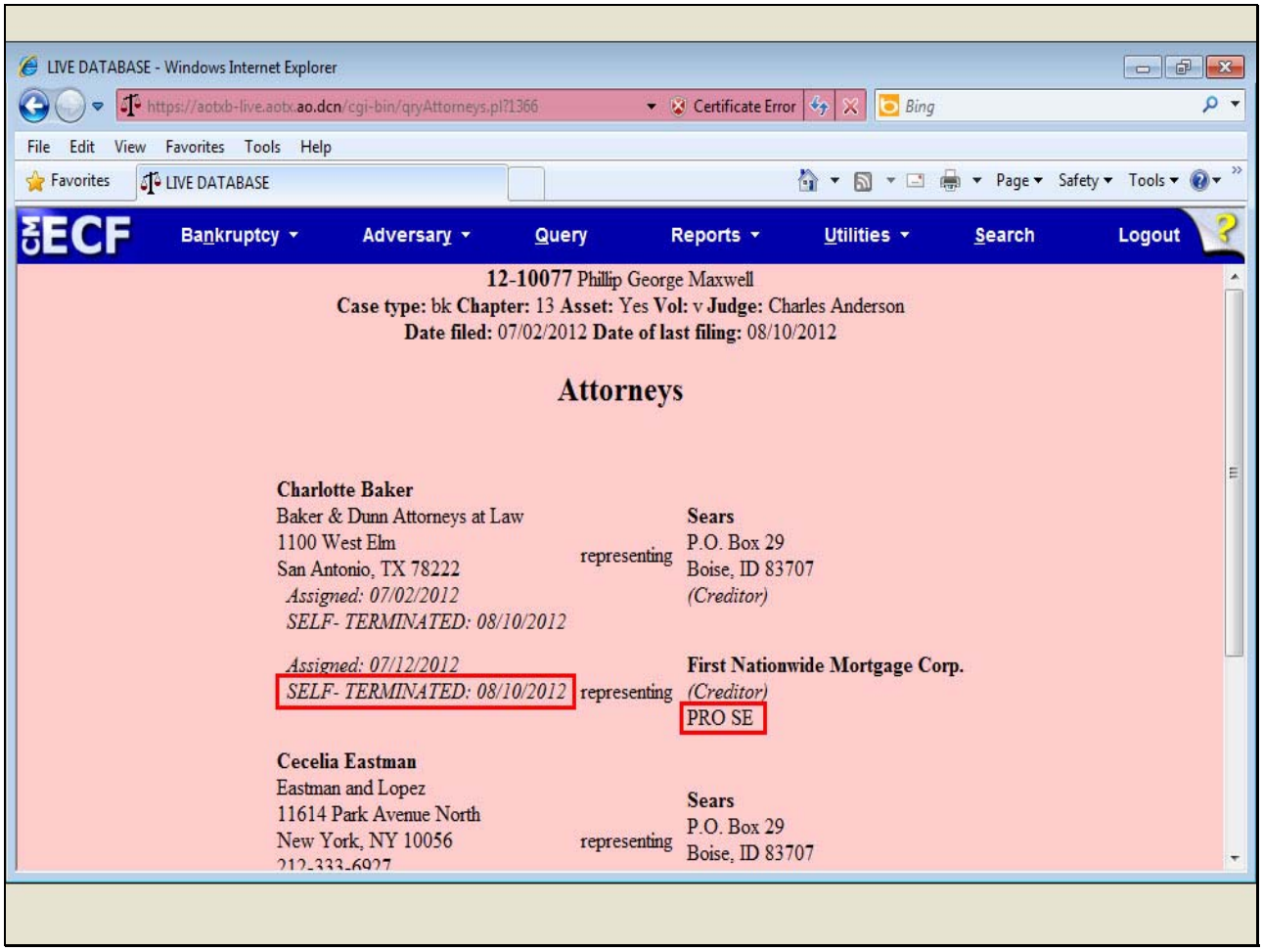

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The attorney, Charlotte Baker, shows as self-terminated and the creditor, First Nationwide Mortgage, is now listed as Pro Se.

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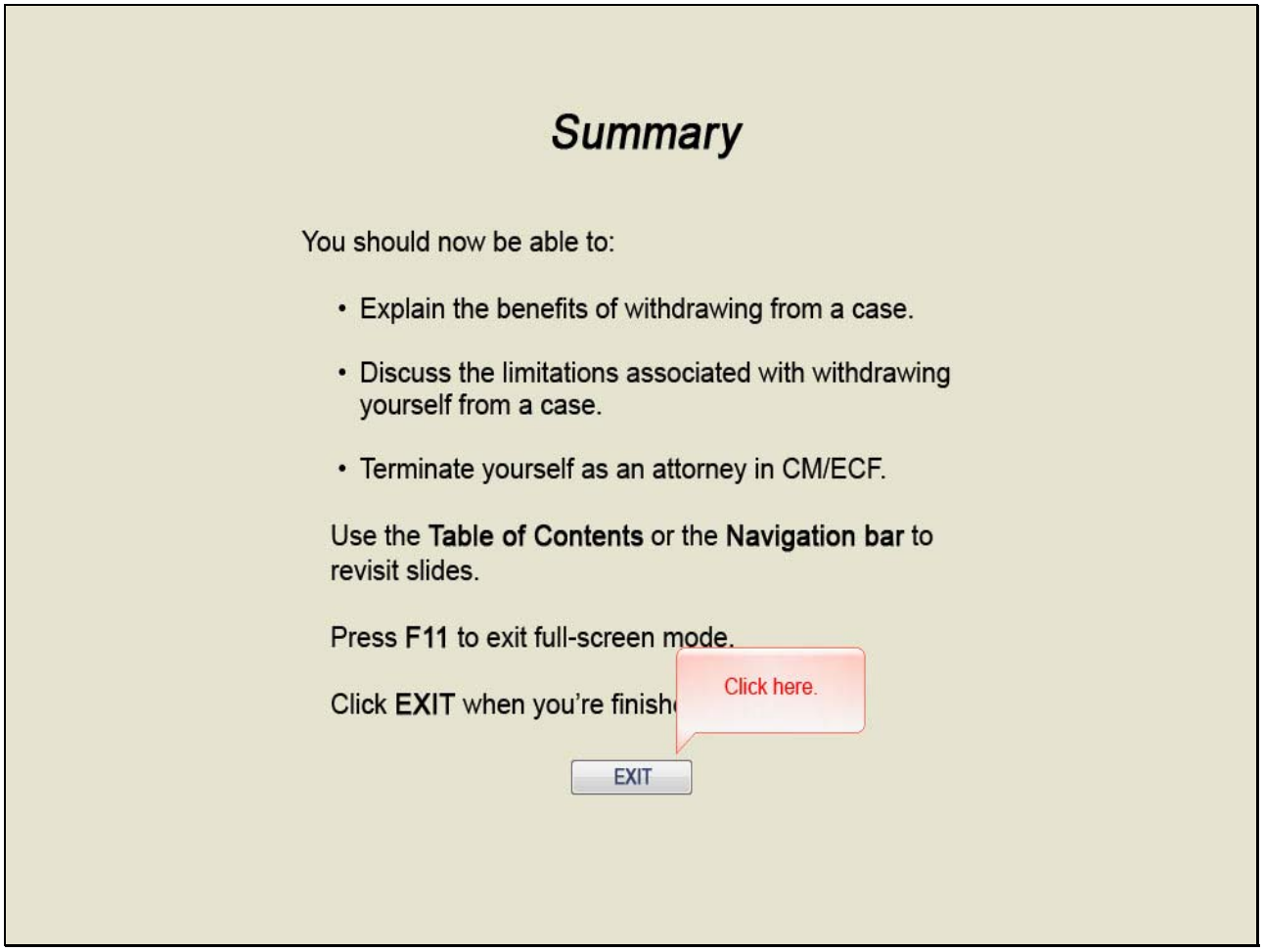

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