

Filing Official Form B121 – Statement About Your Social Security Numbers

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Statement About Your Social Security Numbers (Official Form 121). Required if the debtor is an individual. Must be submitted WITH the petition.

[Fed.R.Bankr.P. 1007\(f\)](#). An individual debtor shall submit a verified statement that sets out the debtor's social security number, or states that the debtor does not have a social security number. In a voluntary case, the debtor shall submit the statement with the petition. In an involuntary case, the debtor shall submit the statement within 14 days after the entry of the order for relief.

As stated on the *Official Form B121*, **DO NOT** file this form as part of the public case file. This form must be submitted separately and must not be included in the court's public electronic records. This protects an individual debtor's social security number or taxpayer identification number from becoming accessible to the public.

To protect your privacy, the court will not make this form available to the public. You should not include a full Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Number on any other document filed with the court. The court will make only the last four digits of your numbers known to the public. However, the full numbers will be available to your creditors, the bankruptcy administrator, and the trustee assigned to your case on their copy of the notice of the meeting of creditors. The copy of that notice included in the Court's records will show only the last four digits of the number.

Official Form B121 should not be included as part of the voluntary petition package but should be filed separately using the docket event as described below.

The *Statement About Your Social Security Numbers (Official Form B121)* should be completed and signed by the debtor(s) and filed in CM/ECF as a separate docket entry by selecting **Bankruptcy > Miscellaneous > Social Security-Form B121** > attach PDF of *Official Form B121*.

Following these steps will ensure that Official Form B121 is a private entry available to internal court users only.