Application for Employment of Special Counsel Manual

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File the above in the below order: Application/Motion Notice of Hearing Certificate of Service Email your Order to the Judge

NOTE: All of the above filings have separate events and refer to previous events, which is why the order of filing is important

Your PDF should consist of the following:

The Application to Employ Special Counsel along with any attachments, an affidavit or exhibits.

NOTE: make sure your Application to Employ Special Counsel is signed and dated.

If you are not admitted to the Middle District of Louisiana, contact the Bankruptcy Court for additional requirements and instructions. United States Bankruptcy Court Middle District of Louisiana 707 Florida Street, Room 119 Baton Rouge, LA 70801 Phone - 225-346-3333

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FILING A MOTION

Once logged into CM/ECF, click **Bankruptcy** on the blue bar.

Below Bankruptcy Events, click Motions/Applications.

File a Motion screen. Enter the bankruptcy case number with a hyphen.

File a Motion			
Case Number			
13-10006	Find This Case		
Next Clear			
Click Next			
Select Employ (App	lication) from the list.		
File a Motion			
13-10006 Mr. Debtor and	Mrs. Joint Debtor		
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)	
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO		
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Expediting Hearing			
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Next Clear			

You will see a box to check if Joint filing with other attorney(s). **Do Not** check the box.

File a Motion:

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Click Next

Select Party screen. **Do Not** select the debtor(s). You will select your name as Special Counsel.

Search for Party screen. You will search for yourself as a party. Type your first, middle, and last name. **Do Not** enter a Social Security Number, or Tax ID.

Search for a party				
SSN / ITIN		Tax II	D/EIN	
Last/Business name	Fielding			
First Name	Daniel			
Middle Name	R.			
Search Clear				
Click Search				
Search for a party				
SSN / ITIN		Tax ID / EIN		
Last/Business name				
First Name				
Middle Name				
Search Clear				
Party search results				
No person found.				
Create new party				

If no person found, then click **Create New Party**.

Party Information screen. You will add yourself as a party. Enter your first, middle, and last name. Beginning with Address Line 1, enter your mailing address. Enter your city, state, and zip code.

You **must** change the Role from Consolidated debtor, to Special Counsel. Failing to change the party role will result with you adding yourself as a joint debtor.

Party Informa	ation					
Last name				First name	Daniel	
Middle name	R.			Generation		Title
SSN/ITIN		999-99-9999		Tax Id/EIN		12-1234567
Office				Address 1	1208 Surf Avenue	
Address 2				Address 3		
City	Brooklyn			State	NY	Zip 11224-2816
County			•	Country		
Phone				Fax]
E-mail						
Role	Spec. Counsel (sp	:prf)				
Party text						
Submit C	ancel Clear	Corporate parent /	affiliate			

Click Submit

Select the Party screen. Select yourself as the party.

File a Motion:			
13-10006 Mr. Debtor	and Mrs. Joint Debtor		
Type: bk	Chapter:	7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y Case Flag: MEANSNO			
Select t	he Party:		
Fielding, Daniel R. [S Debtor, Mr. [Debtor] Joint Debtor, Mrs. [Co U. S. Trustee, 11 [U.S	onsolidated debtor]	Add/Create New Party	Ζ
Next Clear			

Make sure the box is checked creating the party association.

File a Motion:

 13-10006 Mr. Debtor and Mrs. Joint Debtor

 Type: bk
 Chapter: 7 v
 Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)

 Assets: y
 Case Flag: MEANSNO

IMPORTANT: The following attorney/party association(s) will be created in this case. De-selecting a party association will result in the filing attorney NOT receiving Notices of Electronic Filing for that party. If this is a joint filing, review the list carefully to ensure that only parties represented by the filing attorney are selected.

✓ Fielding, Daniel R.(prf:sp) represented by Fielding, Daniel R. (aty)

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Click Next

Browse/Choose File screen. This is where you will attach your PDF to the filing.

13-10006 Mr. Debtor	and Mrs. Joint Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y Case Flag: MEANSNO		
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Click Browse

Select the PDF that relates to the filing. Click **Open** or double click on the file name that relates to your filing.

If using Google Chrome:

Click Choose File. Select your Application to Employ Special Counsel PDF. Click Open or

double click on the file name that relates to your filing.

Enter the name of the person to be employed and the type of position.

File a Motion:

Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y		
Enter Name of Persor	n to be Employed Daniel R. Fielding	

Click Next

Docket Text: Modify as Appropriate screen. You should not have to make any modifications.

Type: bk	<u>and Mrs. Joint Debtor</u> Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
Docket Text: Modify a	s Appropriate. oplication to Employ Daniel R. Field	ding as Special Counsel
	Fielding on behalf of Daniel R. Field	

Docket Text: Final Text screen. Review this screen for errors. If you have any questions, contact the court.

Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)	
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO		
Docket Text: Final Tex	xt		
Application to Em		Counsel Filed by Daniel R. Fielding on	
Application to Err behalf of Daniel R Attention!! Submitti	R. Fielding. (Fielding, Daniel)	Counsel Filed by Daniel R. Fielding on	
Application to Em behalf of Daniel R	R. Fielding. (Fielding, Daniel)		

Confirmation/Electronic File Stamp screen. This confirms the filing has been completed. It contains the case number, case name, document number, date and time of filing.

Print this screen for your records

FILING A NOTICE OF HEARING

Your PDF should consist of the following:

The Notice of Hearing with a correct hearing date, time, and location.

All hearing dates and times are located on the court's website. You should check these dates each time you file a Notice of Hearing, because they do change.

There are two sets of hearing dates located on the court's website. <u>www.lamb.uscourts.gov</u> Make sure you look at the Chapter 13 hearing dates, times and location.

Motions: Chapter 13 These motions are to be scheduled for **9:00 a.m**.

The Notice of Hearing must refer to the Application to Employ Special Counsel you have already filed.

Filing the Notice of Hearing with an incorrect date or time, will result in an Order Striking the Notice of Hearing. If the Notice of Hearing is not re-filed with a correct hearing date or time within five days, the Application to Employ Special Counsel will be stricken from the record on the sixth day.

The Notice of Hearing is NOT to be set for less than 21 days from the file date of the Application to Employ Special Counsel without first filing a Motion to Expedite Hearing, and an Order granting that motion has been entered.

Once logged into CM/ECF, click Bankruptcy on the blue bar.

Below Bankruptcy Events, click Notices.

File a Notice screen. Enter the bankruptcy case number with a hyphen.

Case Number	
13-10006	Find This Case
Next Clear	

Click Next

Select Notice of Hearing from the list.

File a Notice 13-10006 Mr. Debtor and Mrs. Joint Debtor Type: bk Chapter: 7 v Office: 3 (Baton Rouge) Assets: y Case Flag: MEANSNO Start typing to find another event. Hold down Ctrl to add additional items. Available Events (click to select events) Selected Events (click to remove events) Notice Notice of Hearing Notice of Abandonment Notice of Appearance and Request for Notice Notice of Change of Address Notice of Chapter 11 Status Conference Notice of Commencement of Chapter 15 Case Notice of Deposition Notice of Foreign Representative's Intent to Commence Case Notice of Hearing Notice of Override of Preferred Address 342(e) Notice of Proposed Use, Sale or Lease of Property Notice of Recission of Reaffirmation Agreement Notice of Statement of Intention Notice of Voluntary Conversion 11 to 7 Notice of Voluntary Conversion to Chapter 7 -Next Clear

Click Next

You will see a box to check if joint filing with other attorney(s). Do not check the box.

File a Notice:		
13-10006 Mr. Debtor an	d Mrs. Joint Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
□ Joint filing with othe	r attorney(s).	
Next Clear		
Click Next		

Select Party screen. Do Not select the debtor(s). Select your name as Special Counsel. File a Notice:

13-10006 Mr. Debtor a	and Mrs. Joint Debtor	<u>[</u>	
Type: bk	Chapter:	7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO		
Select th	e Party:		
Debtor, Mr. [Debtor] Fielding, Daniel R. [S Joint Debtor, Mrs. [Co U. S. Trustee, 11 [U.S.	nsolidated debtor]	Add/Create New Party	
Next Clear			

Click Next

Browse screen. This is where you will attach your Notice of Hearing PDF to the filing.

File a N	lotice:
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Click Browse

Select the PDF that relates to the filing. Click **Open** or double click on the file name.

NOTE: If using Google Chrome click on Choose File

Select the Notice of Hearing PDF. Click **Open** or double click on the file name.

Hearing Information screen. Do Not leave any blanks.

Enter the following information: Hearing Date, Hearing Time, Hearing Location (Court hearings will be held at 707 Florida St., Rm. 222)

File a Notice:		
17-10005 Mr. Debtor	and Mrs. Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
	choose the proper hearing date for a m	equiring a 21 day notice, the hearing must be set no earlier than the 22nd day after natter requiring a 30 day notice, the hearing must be set no earlier than the 31st day
Hearing Date: 5/17/20	017 🔢 Hearing Time: 9:00 AM 🕓	
Location: 707 Florida	St., Rm. 222	
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Click Next		
You must chec	k the Refer to existing eve	ent(s) box. Your Application to Employ Special Counsel wil
not appear on	the court's calendar if not c	orrectly linked.
File a Notice:		
17-10005 Mr. Deb	otor and Mrs. Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: ME	EANSNO
Refer to exist	ing event(s)?	
Next Clear		

Click Next

Select the category to which your event relates screen. You must select an event. If you

are setting a motion for hearing, you would select **Motion**.

File a Notice:		
13-10006 Mr. Debtor an	nd Mrs. Joint Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
Select the category to w	hich your event relates.	
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Documents to	•	
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Click Next

By previously selecting the motion event, **all** pending motions filed in the case will appear. **Check** the box next to the specific motion you are setting for hearing.

File a Notice:

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Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO)
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_	tion for Relief from Stay - 2006 For Amount \$176 Filed by Perry Maso rv)	

In this next screen you will **only** select the docket entry associated with the Notice of Hearing by checking the box next to the event. Because this is a two part motion, the associated event will appear twice. **ONLY** check one of the two. **** This is a very important step.** Failure to check the box next to the event will result in that event not showing on the court's calendar. ******

File a N	lotice:		
13-10283	Joev Paul Martin and A	nn Marie Martin Convert	ed 04/16/2013
Type: bk		Chapter: 13 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y		Judge: ddd	Case Flag: 707(b), CONVERTED, MEANSYES
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Date	10/21/2015		
Time	09:00		
Location	707 Florida St., Rm. 22	2	
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Select fro		entries those which the abo	docket entries specified below. ove schedule records should be associated with.
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☑ 07/01			say Watts Sanchez, Special Counsel, fee:\$1,666.67, expenses:\$308.00., Motion to Ratify Settlement hments: # 1 Settlement Statement) (Sanchez, Lindsay)
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Click Next

Docket Text: Modify as Appropriate screen. You should not need to modify the text. The Certificate of Service **must** be filed separately

File a Notice:				
13-10006 Mr. Debtor a	nd Mrs. Joint Debtor			
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)		
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO			
Docket Text: Modify as	Appropriate. tice of Hearing	Filed by Daniel R. Fielding on behalf of		
Daniel R. Fielding RE: related document(s)[8] Application to Employ filed by Spec. Counsel Daniel R.				
Fielding) Hearing so	heduled 4/19/2013 at 09:00 AM at 7	07 Florida St., Rm. 222. (Fielding, Daniel)		
Next Clear				

Docket Text: Final Text screen. Review this screen for errors. Final text should show the hearing date, hearing time, location, related document(s) and document number. If you have any questions, contact the court.

File a Notice:

13-10006 Mr. Debtor	and Mrs. Joint Debtor
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO

Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)

Docket Text: Final Text

Notice of Hearing Filed by Daniel R. Fielding on behalf of Daniel R. Fielding RE: related document(s)[8] Application to Employ filed by Spec. Counsel Daniel R. Fielding) Hearing scheduled 4/19/2013 at 09:00 AM at 707 Florida St., Rm. 222. (Fielding, Daniel)

Attention!! Submitting this screen commits this transaction. You will have no further opportunity to modify this submission if you continue.

Have you redacted?

Next Clear

Click Next

Notice of Electronic Filing screen. This confirms filing has been completed. It contains

the case number, case name, docket number, date and time of filing.

Print this screen for your records

FILING A CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Your PDF should consist of the following:

The Certificate of Service with a listing of all parties on the mailing list being noticed by name and mailing address, or by name and e-mail address.

The Certificate of Service **must** be filed separately. Do Not include the Certificate of Service with any filing.

The Certificate of Service must refer to all related items, Motions, Notices etc.

The Certificate of Service **must** identify the pleadings served, the persons served by name, mailing address, or e-mail address. You must also state the date, and method of service.

Electronic Filers are responsible for serving documents upon all appropriate parties that do not receive service via the CM/ECF system.

If your Certificate of Service refers to an attached list for mailing, then you must attach the parties on the mailing list.

If you do not comply with Local Rule 9013-4, all related items will be stricken from the record the following day.

Once logged into CM/ECF, click **Bankruptcy** on the blue bar.

Below Bankruptcy Events, click **Other**.

The **Miscellaneous** screen. Enter the bankruptcy case number with a hyphen.

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ase Number	
13-10006	Find This Case
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Click Next

Select Certificate of Service from the list.

Miscellaneous		
13-10006 Mr. Debtor an	d Mrs. Joint Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
	Start typing to find anothe	er event. Hold down Ctrl to add additional items.
Available Events (click	to select events)	Selected Events (click to remove events)
Certification of Complianc Chapter 11 Statement of (Chapter 11 Status Report	x Information ix Information to Requestor e Under Section 1328(h) Current Monthly Income Current Monthly and Disposable Income	Certificate of Service

Click Next

You will see a box to check **if joint filing with other attorney**(**s**). Do not check the box.

Miscellaneous:		
13-10006 Mr. Debtor	and Mrs. Joint Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
□ Joint filing with ot	her attorney(s).	
Next Clear		

Select Party screen. Do Not select the debtor(s). Select your name as Special Counsel.

Miscellaneous:			
13-10006 Mr. Debtor	and Mrs. Joint Debto	<u> </u>	
Type: bk Chapter: 7 v			Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y Case Flag: MEANSNO			
Select th	ie Party:		
Debtor, Mr. [Debtor] Fielding, Daniel R. [S Joint Debtor, Mrs. [Co U. S. Trustee, 11 [U.S	nsolidated debtor]	Add/Create New Party	
Next Clear			

Click Next

Browse screen. This is where you will attach your PDF to the filing.

Select the Certificate of Service PDF that relates to the filing.

Click **Open** or double click on the file name.

Miscellaneous:		
13-10006 Mr. Debtor	and Mrs. Joint Debtor	
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Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
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NOTE: If using Google Chrome click Choose File

Select the Certificate of Service PDF. Click **Open** or double click on the file name.

Miscellaneous:			
17-10005 Mr. Debtor :	and Mrs. Debtor		
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rou	ige)
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Miscellaneous:			
13-10006 Mr. Debtor and	d Mrs. Joint Debtor		
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)	
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO		
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Next Clear			

Select the category to which your event(s) relates screen. You must select a category.

Leave the filed date, and document number boxes blank.

If your Certificate of Service refers to both the Application to Employ Special Counsel and the Notice of Hearing, you will select both categories.

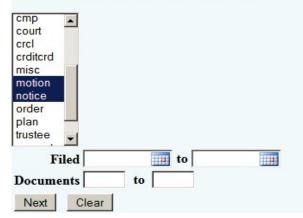
To select multiple categories, hold the Ctrl key and select the motion and notice category.

Miscellaneous:

13-10006 Mr. Debtor an	0006 Mr. Debtor and Mrs. Joint Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	

Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)

Select the category to which your event relates.



By previously selecting the category, all pending events filed in that category will appear.

Check the box next to the specific event(s) to which your Certificate of Service relates. **Miscellaneous:**

13-10006 Mr. De	btor and Mrs. Joint Debtor	
Type: bk	Chapter: 7 v	Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)
Assets: y	Case Flag: MEANSNO	
Select the approp	rriate event(s) to which your event relates	
02/07/2013	Motion for Relief from Stay - 2006 Ford Fee Amount \$176 Filed by Perry Mason Perry)	
□ 02/07/2013 <u>6</u>	Notice of Hearing Filed by Perry Mason document(s) <u>5</u> Motion for Relief From St Motion to Abandon) Hearing scheduled Florida St., Rm. 222. (Mason, Perry)	tay filed by Debtor Mr. Debtor,
Ø 03/13/2013 §	Application to Employ Daniel R. Fieldir R. Fielding on behalf of Daniel R. Fieldi	
☑ 03/18/2013 <u>9</u>	Notice of Hearing Filed by Daniel R. Fie RE: related document(s) <u>8</u> Application to Daniel R. Fielding) Hearing scheduled 4 St., Rm. 222. (Fielding, Daniel)	Employ filed by Spec. Counsel
Next Clear		

Click Next

Docket Text: Modify as Appropriate screen. You should not have to modify the docket text.

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RE: related document(s)	[8] Application to Employ filed	by Spec. Counsel Daniel R. Fielding, [9] Notice of

Docket Text: Final Text screen. Review this screen for errors. Final text should show related document(s) and document number. If you have any questions, contact the court.

Miscellaneous:

 13-10006 Mr. Debtor and Mrs. Joint Debtor

 Type: bk
 Chapter: 7 v

 Assets: y
 Case Flag: MEANSNO

Office: 3 (Baton Rouge)

Docket Text: Final Text

Certificate of Service Filed by Daniel R. Fielding on behalf of Daniel R. Fielding RE: related document(s)[8] Application to Employ filed by Spec. Counsel Daniel R. Fielding, [9] Notice of Hearing filed by Spec. Counsel Daniel R. Fielding. (Fielding, Daniel)

Attention!! Submitting this screen commits this transaction. You will have no further opportunity to modify this submission if you continue.

Have you redacted?

Next Clear

Click Next

Notice of Electronic Filing screen. This confirms the filing has been completed. It contains

the case number, case name, document number, date and time of filing.

Print this screen for your records

SUBMISSION OF ORDERS AND JUDGMENTS

Orders are NOT to be filed electronically.

Orders should be submitted immediately after the Motion or Application is filed.

Orders must be e-mailed to the court. The address to which all proposed orders shall be sent is

orders@lamb.uscourts.gov

A. Submission of Orders Upon Filing

For all motions, applications, objections to claims, and other requests for relief, the Electronic Filer shall e-mail an appropriate proposed order at the time of filing.

B. Email Transmission

Proposed orders and judgments shall be submitted to the court by e-mail as an attached document in WordPerfect or Word format. The e-mail shall be sent to the e-mail address for orders and judgments. Only one order shall be attached per e-mail.

C. E-Mail Address for Orders and Judgments:

orders@lamb.uscourts.gov

D. Subject Line of E-Mail (Pursuant Local Rule 9013-5)

1. For orders or judgments regarding matters noticed for hearing or set for trial, the subject line of the e-mail shall include the hearing date and case number only.

Example: 01/01/07 07-10001

2. For orders or judgments regarding ex parte matters or orders resolving matters prior to a scheduled hearing or trial date, the subject line of the email shall include the word ex parte and the case number only.

Example: Ex Parte 07-10001

3. For orders or judgments regarding expedited matters, the subject line of the e-mail shall include the word expedited and the case number only.

Example: Expedited 07-10001

E. Restrictions on Fonts

The Bankruptcy Noticing Center requires the use of Courier and Times New Roman, 12 point type and black type face only. Please use the same font throughout the proposed order or judgment.