## **Bankruptcy Code Tax Compliance Requirements**

Tax Returns Due for Periods Ending Before the Bankruptcy Filing in Chapter 13 Cases

Section 1308(a) of the Bankruptcy Code requires chapter 13 debtors to **file all required Federal tax returns for tax periods ending within 4 years of the debtor's bankruptcy filing**. All such federal tax returns must be filed with the IRS before the date first set for the first meeting of creditors (341 Meeting).

Section 521(e)(2)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code requires chapter 13 debtors to provide the trustee copies of the 2 most recent years of debtor's Federal tax returns no later than 7 days before the first meeting of the creditors (341 Meeting).

Failure to timely file tax returns can prevent confirmation of a chapter 13 plan and <u>result in</u> either dismissal of the chapter 13 case or conversion to a chapter 7 case.

### Need a Tax Return Transcript?

**Online**—Go to <a href="www.irs.gov/transcript">www.irs.gov/transcript</a> to download a copy of your tax return transcript immediately.

**Mail**—You can elect the option to Get Transcript by Mail at <a href="www.irs.gov/transcript">www.irs.gov/transcript</a> or complete and mail either a Form 4506-T, Request for Transcript of Tax Return, or Form 4506T-EZ, Short Form Request for Individual Tax Return Transcript, each of which are attached to this notice for your convenience.

Call—1-800-908-9946 and follow the voice prompts.

**In Person**—You can also file your unfiled Federal Tax Returns at any of these offices.

Houston	1919 Smith St.	Monday—Friday:	Office Information	Make Appointment
(Downtown)	Houston, TX 77002	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	281-721-7021	844-545-5640
Houston	12941 I45 N	Monday—Friday:	Office Information	Make Appointment
(NW)	Houston, TX 77060	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	713-209-5499	844-545-5640
Houston	8876 Gulf Freeway	Monday—Friday:	Office Information	Make Appointment
(SE)	Houston, TX 77017	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	281-721-7021	844-545-5640
Houston	8701 S. Gessner	Monday—Friday:	Office Information	Make Appointment
(SW)	Houston, TX 77074	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	281-721-7021	844-545-5640

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### **Request for Transcript of Tax Return**

▶ Do not sign this form unless all applicable lines have been completed.

▶ Request may be rejected if the form is incomplete or illegible.

Tip. Use Form 4506-T to order a transcript or other return information free of charge. See the product list below. You can quickly request transcripts by using our automated self-help service tools. Please visit us at IRS.gov and click on "Get a Tax Transcript..." under "Tools" or call 1-800-908-9946. If you need a copy

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of your return, use Form 4506, Request for Copy of Tax Return. There is a fee to get a copy of your return. 1b First social security number on tax return, individual taxpayer identification 1a Name shown on tax return. If a joint return, enter the name shown first. number, or employer identification number (see instructions) 2a If a joint return, enter spouse's name shown on tax return. 2b Second social security number or individual taxpayer identification number if joint tax return 3 Current name, address (including apt., room, or suite no.), city, state, and ZIP code (see instructions) Previous address shown on the last return filed if different from line 3 (see instructions) 5 Customer file number (if applicable) (see instructions) Note: Effective July 2019, the IRS will mail tax transcript requests only to your address of record. See What's New under Future Developments on Page 2 for additional information. Transcript requested. Enter the tax form number here (1040, 1065, 1120, etc.) and check the appropriate box below. Enter only one tax form number per request. ▶ Return Transcript, which includes most of the line items of a tax return as filed with the IRS. A tax return transcript does not reflect changes made to the account after the return is processed. Transcripts are only available for the following returns: Form 1040 series, Form 1065, Form 1120, Form 1120-A, Form 1120-H, Form 1120-L, and Form 1120S. Return transcripts are available for the current year and returns processed during the prior 3 processing years. Most requests will be processed within 10 business days Account Transcript, which contains information on the financial status of the account, such as payments made on the account, penalty assessments, and adjustments made by you or the IRS after the return was filed. Return information is limited to items such as tax liability and estimated tax payments. Account transcripts are available for most returns. Most requests will be processed within 10 business days Record of Account, which provides the most detailed information as it is a combination of the Return Transcript and the Account Transcript. Available for current year and 3 prior tax years. Most requests will be processed within 10 business days Verification of Nonfiling, which is proof from the IRS that you did not file a return for the year. Current year requests are only available after June 15th. There are no availability restrictions on prior year requests. Most requests will be processed within 10 business days. Form W-2, Form 1099 series, Form 1098 series, or Form 5498 series transcript. The IRS can provide a transcript that includes data from these information returns. State or local information is not included with the Form W-2 information. The IRS may be able to provide this transcript information for up to 10 years. Information for the current year is generally not available until the year after it is filed with the IRS. For example, W-2 information for 2016, filed in 2017, will likely not be available from the IRS until 2018. If you need W-2 information for retirement purposes, you should contact the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213. Most requests will be processed within 10 business days. Caution: If you need a copy of Form W-2 or Form 1099, you should first contact the payer. To get a copy of the Form W-2 or Form 1099 filed with your return, you must use Form 4506 and request a copy of your return, which includes all attachments. Year or period requested. Enter the ending date of the year or period, using the mm/dd/yyyy format. If you are requesting more than four years or periods, you must attach another Form 4506-T. For requests relating to quarterly tax returns, such as Form 941, you must enter each quarter or tax period separately. Caution: Do not sign this form unless all applicable lines have been completed. Signature of taxpayer(s). I declare that I am either the taxpayer whose name is shown on line 1a or 2a, or a person authorized to obtain the tax information requested. If the request applies to a joint return, at least one spouse must sign. If signed by a corporate officer, 1 percent or more shareholder, partner, managing member, guardian, tax matters partner, executor, receiver, administrator, trustee, or party other than the taxpayer, I certify that I have the authority to execute Form 4506-T on behalf of the taxpayer. Note: This form must be received by IRS within 120 days of the signature date. Signatory attests that he/she has read the attestation clause and upon so reading declares that he/she Phone number of taxpayer on line has the authority to sign the Form 4506-T. See instructions. 1a or 2a Signature (see instructions) Date Sign Here Title (if line 1a above is a corporation, partnership, estate, or trust) Spouse's signature

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Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

### **Future Developments**

For the latest information about Form 4506-T and its instructions, go to www.irs.gov/form4506t. Information about any recent developments affecting Form 4506-T (such as legislation enacted after we released it) will be posted on that page.

What's New. As part of its ongoing efforts to protect taxpayer data, the Internal Revenue Service announced that in July 2019, it will stop all third-party mailings of requested transcripts. After this date masked Tax Transcripts will only be mailed to the taxpayer's address of record.

If a third-party is unable to accept a Tax Transcript mailed to the taxpayer, they may either contract with an existing IVES participant or become an IVES participant themselves. For additional information about the IVES program, go to www.irs.gov and search IVES.

### **General Instructions**

Caution: Do not sign this form unless all applicable lines have been completed.

**Purpose of form.** Use Form 4506-T to request tax return information. Taxpayers using a tax year beginning in one calendar year and ending in the following year (fiscal tax year) must file Form 4506-T to request a return transcript.

**Note:** If you are unsure of which type of transcript you need, request the Record of Account, as it provides the most detailed information.

Customer File Number. The transcripts provided by the IRS have been modified to protect taxpayers' privacy. Transcripts only display partial personal information, such as the last four digits of the taxpayer's Social Security Number. Full financial and tax information, such as wages and taxable income, are shown on the transcript.

An optional Customer File Number field is available to use when requesting a transcript. This number will print on the transcript. See Line 5 instructions for specific requirements. The customer file number is an optional field and not required.

**Tip.** Use Form 4506, Request for Copy of Tax Return, to request copies of tax returns.

Automated transcript request. You can quickly request transcripts by using our automated self-help service tools. Please visit us at IRS.gov and click on "Get a Tax Transcript..." under "Tools" or call 1-800-908-9946.

Where to file. Mail or fax Form 4506-T to the address below for the state you lived in, or the state your business was in, when that return was filed. There are two address charts: one for individual transcripts (Form 1040 series and Form W-2) and one for all other transcripts.

If you are requesting more than one transcript or other product and the chart below shows two different addresses, send your request to the address based on the address of your most recent return.

# Chart for individual transcripts (Form 1040 series and Form W-2 and Form 1099)

If you filed an individual return and lived in:

Mail or fax to:

Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas, a foreign country, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or A.P.O. or F.P.O. address

Internal Revenue Service RAIVS Team Stop 6716 AUSC Austin, TX 73301

855-587-9604

Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming

Internal Revenue Service RAIVS Team Stop 37106 Fresno, CA 93888

855-800-8105

Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio,

Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont,

Virginia, West Virginia

Internal Revenue Service RAIVS Team Stop 6705 S-2 Kansas City, MO 64999

855-821-0094

Chart for all other transcripts

If you lived in or your business was in:

Mail or fax to:

Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana. Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, a foreign country, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,

Internal Revenue Service RAIVS Team P.O. Box 9941 Mail Stop 6734 Ogden, UT 84409

855-298-1145

Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania. Vermont

the U.S. Virgin Islands,

A.P.O. or F.P.O. address

Internal Revenue Service RAIVS Team Stop 6705 S-2 Kansas City, MO 64999

855-821-0094

**Line 1b.** Enter your employer identification number (EIN) if your request relates to a business return. Otherwise, enter the first social security number (SSN) or your individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN) shown on the return. For example, if you are requesting Form 1040 that includes Schedule C (Form 1040), enter your SSN.

**Line 3.** Enter your current address. If you use a P.O. box, include it on this line.

**Line 4.** Enter the address shown on the last return filed if different from the address entered on line 3.

Note: If the addresses on lines 3 and 4 are different and you have not changed your address with the IRS, file Form 8822, Change of Address. For a business address, file Form 8822-B, Change of Address or Responsible Party — Business.

**Line 5b.** Enter up to 10 numeric characters to create a unique customer file number that will appear on the transcript. The customer file number **should not** contain an SSN. Completion of this line is not required.

**Note.** If you use an SSN, name or combination of both, we will not input the information and the customer file number will reflect a generic entry of "999999999" on the transcript.

Line 6. Enter only one tax form number per request.

Signature and date. Form 4506-T must be signed and dated by the taxpayer listed on line 1a or 2a. The IRS must receive Form 4506-T within 120 days of the date signed by the taxpayer or it will be rejected. Ensure that all applicable lines are completed before signing.



You must check the box in the signature area to acknowledge you have the authority to sign and request the information. The form will not be processed and returned to you if the box is unchecked.

Individuals. Transcripts of jointly filed tax returns may be furnished to either spouse. Only one signature is required. Sign Form 4506-T exactly as your name appeared on the original return. If you changed your name, also sign your current name.

Corporations. Generally, Form 4506-T can be signed by: (1) an officer having legal authority to bind the corporation, (2) any person designated by the board of directors or other governing body, or (3) any officer or employee on written request by any principal officer and attested to by the secretary or other officer. A bona fide shareholder of record owning 1 percent or more of the outstanding stock of the corporation may submit a Form 4506-T but must provide documentation to support the requester's right to receive the information.

**Partnerships.** Generally, Form 4506-T can be signed by any person who was a member of the partnership during any part of the tax period requested on line 9.

**All others.** See section 6103(e) if the taxpayer has died, is insolvent, is a dissolved corporation, or if a trustee, guardian, executor, receiver, or administrator is acting for the taxpayer.

**Note:** If you are Heir at law, Next of kin, or Beneficiary you must be able to establish a material interest in the estate or trust.

**Documentation.** For entities other than individuals, you must attach the authorization document. For example, this could be the letter from the principal officer authorizing an employee of the corporation or the letters testamentary authorizing an individual to act for an estate.

Signature by a representative. A representative can sign Form 4506-T for a taxpayer only if the taxpayer has specifically delegated this authority to the representative on Form 2848, line 5. The representative must attach Form 2848 showing the delegation to Form 4506-T.

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to establish your right to gain access to the requested tax information under the Internal Revenue Code. We need this information to properly identify the tax information and respond to your request. You are not required to request any transcript; if you do request a transcript, sections 6103 and 6109 and their regulations require you to provide this information, including your SSN or EIN. If you do not provide this information, we may not be able to process your request. Providing false or fraudulent information may subject you to penalties.

Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by section 6103.

The time needed to complete and file Form 4506-T will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is: Learning about the law or the form, 10 min.; Preparing the form, 12 min.; and Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS, 20 min.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making Form 4506-T simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write

Internal Revenue Service Tax Forms and Publications Division 1111 Constitution Ave. NW, IR-6526 Washington, DC 20224

Do not send the form to this address. Instead, see Where to file on this page.



## **Short Form Request for Individual Tax Return Transcript**

(June 2019)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service ▶ Request may not be processed if the form is incomplete or illegible.

Tip. Use Form 4506T-EZ to order a 1040 series tax return transcript free of charge, or you can quickly request transcripts by using our automated self-help

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► For more information about Form 4506T-EZ, visit www.irs.gov/form4506tez.

service tools. Please visit us at IRS.gov and click on "Get Transcript of Your Tax Records" u	under "Tools" or call 1-800-908-9946.
1a Name shown on tax return. If a joint return, enter the name shown first.	1b First social security number or individual taxpayer identification number on tax return
2a If a joint return, enter spouse's name shown on tax return.	2b Second social security number or individual taxpayer identification number if joint tax return
3 Current name, address (including apt., room, or suite no.), city, state, and ZIP c	code (see instructions)
4 Previous address shown on the last return filed if different from line 3 (see instru	uctions)
5 Customer file number (if applicable) (see instructions)	
Note: Effective July 2019, the IRS will mail tax transcript requests only to your address Page 2 for additional information.  6 Year(s) requested. Enter the year(s) of the return transcript you are requesting business days.	·
<b>Note.</b> If the IRS is unable to locate a return that matches the taxpayer identity informa not been filed, the IRS will notify you that it was unable to locate a return, or that a retu	
Caution. Do not sign this form unless all applicable lines have been completed.	
Signature of taxpayer(s). I declare that I am the taxpayer whose name is shown on e spouse must sign. Note: This form must be received by IRS within 120 days of the sig	gnature date.
4506T-EZ. See instructions.	Phone number of taxpayer on line 1a or 2a
Sign Here Signature (see instructions)	Date
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Spouse's signature	Date

Form 4506T-EZ (Rev. 6-2019)

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#### **Future Developments**

For the latest information about developments related to Form 4506T-EZ, such as legislation enacted after it was published, go to <a href="https://www.irs.gov/form4506tez">www.irs.gov/form4506tez</a>.

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### **General Instructions**

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Purpose of form. Individuals can use Form 4506T-EZ to request a tax return transcript for the current and the prior three years that includes most lines of the original tax return. The tax return transcript will not show payments, penalty assessments, or adjustments made to the originally filed return. Form 4506T-EZ cannot be used by taxpayers who file Form 1040 based on a tax year beginning in one calendar year and ending in the following year (fiscal tax year). Taxpayers using a fiscal tax year must file Form 4506-T, Request for Transcript of Tax Return, to request a return transcript.

Use Form 4506-T to request tax return transcripts, tax account information, W-2 information, 1099 information, verification of non-filing, and record of account.

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Where to file. Mail or fax Form 4506T-EZ to the address below for the state you lived in when the return was filed.

If you are requesting more than one transcript or other product and the chart below shows two different addresses, send your request to the address based on the address of your most recent return.

If you filed an individual return and lived in:	Mail or fax to the "Internal Revenue Service" at:
Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas, a foreign country, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or A.P.O. or F.P.O. address	RAIVS Team Stop 6716 AUSC Austin, TX 73301 855-587-9604
Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming	RAIVS Team Stop 37106 Fresno, CA 93888 (855) 800-8105
Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia	RAIVS Team Stop 6705 S-2 Kansas City, MO 64999 855-821-0094

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