

*Typical Questions from the Trustees

- State your name for the record.
- Do you still reside at the address that is listed on your petition?
- Did you sign the petition that was filed with the court?
- Did you read the petition/schedules before you signed them?
- Are you personally familiar with the information contained in the petition, schedules, statements, and related documents?
- To the best of your knowledge, is the information contained in the petition true and correct?
- Did you list all of your assets?
- Did you list all of your debts?
- Are there any changes or corrections you need to make to the petition?
- Have you lived in this state for the past two (2) – five (5) years?
- Do you owe anyone domestic support? Do you have a court-order obligation to pay child support or alimony?
- Have you previously filed bankruptcy? If yes, when, where and did you get a discharge?
- Have you filed all of the required tax returns in the last 4 years?
- I have examined your tax return. Is the copy of the tax return you provided a true copy of what you filed with the IRS?
- Have you read the Bankruptcy Information Sheet provided by the United States Trustee that describes the different chapters of bankruptcy?
- Are you employed?
- What is the address of your current employer?
- Do you own or have any interest whatsoever in any real estate?
- Do you own or have any interest whatsoever in any vehicles? (If you say no, they will ask how you get around.)
- Have you made any transfers of any property or given any property away within the last one or two years?
- Does anyone hold property belonging to you?
- Does anyone owe you money?
- Have you loaned any money to family or friends?
- Have you repaid any loans to family or friends? (IF YOU HAVE, YOU MUST TELL ME IMMEDIATELY)
- Do you anticipate receiving life insurance proceeds or an inheritance as a result of someone's death within the next six months?
- Are you suing someone or contemplating filing suit against someone?
- Outside of your bankruptcy attorney, have you spoken to any other lawyer in the last 3 years?
- Have you been involved in an accident in the last 4 years?
- Are you the maker or beneficiary of a trust?
- Are you the beneficiary of a will?
- Did you take your second course?
- If you are married and your spouse is not filing with you, then why didn't your spouse file bankruptcy with you? (If your answer isn't: "because all the debt is mine," then please let me know)
- Is your spouse jointly liable for any of your debt? (Applies to individual filers only.)

The trustee may also ask other questions related to your property or how you reached the values on your assets. If there were any transactions on your bank account statements for more than \$1000 (in the last three months), they may ask you what they were. If the trustee needs more information or documents that aren't currently available, the meeting may be continued at a later date when the required information can be provided and all questions answered.