Rule 1005-2: Petition

(a) **Completeness.** The <u>petitionerdebtor</u> must complete each section <u>of the petition</u> by answering all questions, <u>providing all requested information</u>, and marking all applicable boxes. <u>On page two</u>, If the debtor(s) filed no prior bankruptcy cases, the Petition must state "None." The <u>petitioner'sdebtor's</u> attorney must include an e-mail address and, if the petitioner has an e-mail address, the petitioner must put the e-mail address below the signature.

(b) Doing Business. A caption for an individual petition or joint petition by a husband or wife shall include any sole proprietorships.**(b)** Corporations, partnerships, or similar entities shall not be joined in one petition or in an individual's petition. Only individuals may file a petition under or convert a case to chapter 13.

(c) **Involuntary.** An involuntary joint petition against a husband and wife shall not be filed. Two separate involuntary petitions must be filed.

Committee Notes 2007: The requirement for petitioner to list an e-mail address is added to facilitate noticing.

<u>Committee Notes 2015: Local Rule was amended to eliminate the first sentence of paragraph (b) because Local Rule 1005-1(d) now addresses sole proprietorships.</u>