

FORM B1	United States Bankruptcy Court DISTRICT OF DELAWARE	Voluntary Petition
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Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): American Banknote Corporation	Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse) (Last, First, Middle): N/A
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 6 years (Include married, maiden, and trade names): N/A	All Other Names used by the Joint Debtor in the last 6 years (Include married, maiden, and trade names): N/A
Last four digits of Soc. Sec./Tax I.D. No./Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all): 13-3321065	Last four digits of Soc. Sec./Tax I.D. No./Tax I.D. No./Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all): N/A
Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City, State, & Zip Code): 560 Sylvan Avenue Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632	Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. & Street, City, State, & Zip Code): N/A
County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business: Delaware	County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business: N/A
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from street address): American Banknote Corporation c/o Andrews Kurth LLP 450 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10017 Attn: Paul N. Silverstein, Esq.	Mailing Address of Joint Debtor (if different from street address): N/A
Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor (if different from street address above):	

Information Regarding the Debtor (Check the Applicable Boxes)

Venue (Check any applicable box)

- Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, principal place of business, or principal assets in this District for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other District.
- There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership pending in this District.

<p style="text-align: center;">Type of Debtor (Check all boxes that apply)</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Individual(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Stockbroker <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Clearing Bank	<p style="text-align: center;">Chapter or Section of Bankruptcy Code under Which the Petition is Filed (Check one box)</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. 304 - Case ancillary to foreign proceeding
<p style="text-align: center;">Nature of Debts (Check one box)</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer/Non-Business <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business	<p style="text-align: center;">Filing Fee (Check one box)</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Filing Fee attached <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee to be paid in installments (Applicable to individuals only) Must attach signed application for the court's consideration certifying that the debtor is unable to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Form No. 3.
<p style="text-align: center;">Chapter 11 Small Business (Check all boxes that apply)</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a small business as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101 <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is and elects to be considered a small business under 11 U.S.C. § 1121(e) (Optional)	

<p>Statistical/Administrative Information (Estimates only)</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors. <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that, after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses paid, there will be no funds available for distribution to unsecured creditors.	THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY																																
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Voluntary Petition <i>(This page must be completed and filed in every case)</i>	Name of Debtor(s): American Banknote Corporation
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Prior Bankruptcy Case Filed Within Last 6 Years (If more than one, attach additional sheet)

Location Where Filed: Southern District of New York	Case Number: 99 B 11577 (PCB)	Date Filed: 12/8/1999
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Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner, or Affiliate of this Debtor (If more than one, attach additional sheet)

Name of Debtor: N/A	Case Number: N/A	Date Filed: N/A
District: N/A	Relationship: N/A	Judge: N/A

Signatures

Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct.
[If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7.
I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

Signature of Debtor

Signature of Joint Debtor

Telephone Number (If not represented by attorney)

Date

Paul N. Silverstein
Signature of Attorney

Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)

Paul N. Silverstein PNS 5098
Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s) Bar ID Number

Andrews Kurth LLP
Firm Name

450 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10017
Address

(212) 850-2819
Telephone Number

1/19/2005
Date

Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.

The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

Patrick Gentile
Signature of Authorized Individual

Patrick Gentile
Printed Name of Authorized Individual

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Title of Authorized Individual

1/19/2005
Date

Exhibit A
(To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under chapter 11)

Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition.

Exhibit B
(To be completed if debtor is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts)

I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I have informed the petitioner that [he or she] may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each such chapter.

Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) Date

Exhibit C
Does the debtor own or have possession of any property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable harm to public health or safety?

Yes, and Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition

No

Signature of Non-Attorney Petition Preparer

I certify that I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110, that I prepared this document for compensation, and that I have provided the debtor with a copy of this document.

Printed Name of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

Social Security Number (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110(c).)

Address

Names and Social Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document:

If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.

Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

Date

A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both. 11 U.S.C. § 110; 18 U.S.C. § 156.