

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re: : Chapter 11
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AMERICAN BANKNOTE : Case No. 05-10174 (PJW)
CORPORATION, : :
: :
Debtor. : :

**NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF CHAPTER 11 BANKRUPTCY CASE(S),
MEETING OF CREDITORS AND FIXING OF CERTAIN DATES**

On **January 19, 2005**, the above-captioned debtor and debtor-in-possession in the above-captioned case (the "Debtor") filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. § 101 through 1330 (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtor, and its respective, address, case number and federal tax identification number are as follows:

<u>DEBTOR</u> (Other names, if any, used by the Debtor in the last 6 years appear in brackets)	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>CASE NO.</u>	<u>EID #</u>
American Banknote Corporation	560 Sylvan Avenue Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632	05-10174 (PJW)	13-3321065

DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF MEETING OF CREDITORS. **FEBRUARY 28, 2005 AT 10:00 A.M. (E.T.), J. CALEB BOGGS FEDERAL BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR, ROOM 2112, WILMINGTON, DE 19801).**

DEADLINE TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM. The general bar date is March 21, 2005. The governmental units bar date is July 18, 2005. A separate notice of the bar date and related information has been sent.

NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF TRUSTEE. None appointed to date.

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COMMENCEMENT OF CASE. A petition for reorganization under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code has been filed in this Court by the Debtor listed above, and an order for relief has been entered. You will not receive notice of all documents filed in this case. All documents filed with the Court, including lists of the Debtor's property and debts, are available for inspection at the Office of the Clerk of the

Bankruptcy Court. In addition, such documents may be available at www.deb.uscourts.gov or www.bmcgroup.com/abn.

PURPOSE OF CHAPTER 11 FILING. Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code enables a debtor to reorganize pursuant to a plan. A plan is not effective unless approved by the court at a confirmation hearing. Creditors will be given notice concerning any plan, or in the event the case is dismissed or converted to another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtor will remain in possession of its property and will continue to operate any business unless a trustee is appointed.

CREDITORS MAY NOT TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS. A creditor is anyone to whom a debtor owes money or property. Under the Bankruptcy Code, a debtor is granted certain protection against creditors. Common examples of prohibited actions by creditors are contacting a debtor to demand repayment, taking action against a debtor to collect money owed to creditors or to take property of a debtor, and starting or continuing foreclosure actions or repossessions. If unauthorized actions are taken by a creditor against a debtor, the Court may penalize that creditor. A creditor who is considering taking action against a debtor or the property of a debtor should review § 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and may wish to seek legal advice. The staff of the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court are not permitted to give legal advice.

MEETING OF CREDITORS. The Debtor's representative, as specified in Rule 9001(5) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), is required to appear at the meeting of creditors on the date and at the place set forth above for the purpose of being examined under oath. Attendance by creditors at the meeting is welcomed, but not required. At the meeting, the creditors may examine the Debtor and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The meeting may be continued or adjourned from time to time by notice at the meeting, without further written notice to the creditors.

CLAIMS. Schedules of creditors will be filed pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1007. Any creditor holding a scheduled claim which is not listed as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated as to amount may, but is not required to, file a proof of claim in this case. Creditors whose claims are not scheduled or whose claims are listed as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated as to amount and who desire to participate in the case or share in any distribution must file their proofs of claim. A creditor who desires to rely on the schedule of creditors has the responsibility for determining that the claim is listed accurately. **Separate notice of the deadlines to file proofs of claim and proof of claim forms has been sent to the Debtor's known creditors.** Proof of claim forms also are available in the clerk's office of any bankruptcy court. Proof of Claim forms are also available from the Court's web site at www.deb.uscourts.gov. BMC Group, Inc is the claims agent in this case and can provide a proof of claim form if you cannot obtain one from your local bankruptcy court. **BMC Group, Inc.** can be reached as follows:

**American Banknote Corporation
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DISCHARGE OF DEBTS. Confirmation of chapter 11 plan may result in a discharge of debts, which may include all or part of your debt. See Bankruptcy Code § 1141(d). A discharge means that you may never try to collect the debt from the debtor, except as provided in the plan.

Dated: January 31, 2005

For the Court: /s/ David D. Bird
Clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court