

Rule 5010-1

Reopening Cases

- (a) A motion to reopen a case may be presented ex parte, shall not be joined with a request for any other relief, except for the appointment of a trustee, and shall be accompanied by:

 - (1) A statement explaining why the case needs to be opened; and
 - (2) The appropriate filing fee or a statement as to why a fee is not required.
- (b) Before taking any action in a closed case that requires notice and hearing to the Master Mailing List (MML), that is governed by FRBP 9014, or that may require further administration, the party taking the action shall cause the case to be reopened.
- (c) A request for the appointment of a trustee in a reopened case shall be supported by a statement as to why a trustee should be appointed.
- (d) A case shall be reopened to further administer matters involving property of the estate or to obtain a discharge.

Related Provisions

FRBP 5010
FRBP 9014

Reopening Cases
Contested Matters

11 USC 350
11 USC 541
28 USC 1930

Closing and Reopening Cases
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