# Where to File Your Papers

The State of Florida is divided into three federal judicial districts: Northern, Middle, and Southern. Failure to file your bankruptcy case in the correct district may result in an Order to Show Cause or dismissal of your case.

Each district is further divided into divisions. The Northern District of Florida is divided into the following divisions:

**Gainesville Division:** Alachua, Dixie, Gilchrist, Lafayette, and Levy counties

**Panama City Division:** Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, and Washington counties

**Pensacola Division:** Escambia, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton counties

**Tallahassee Division:** Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla counties

### **Original Documents**

The Court requires original signatures on all documents when the debtor is not represented by an attorney. If you wish to provide an extra copy of your bankruptcy documents when you file, we will stamp your copy with the date and time it was received and provide a case number for your records.

# **Mailing Your Documents**

**Original, signed documents** may be sent by U.S. Mail or package delivery service to:

U.S. Bankruptcy Court 110 E. Park Ave., Ste. 100 Tallahassee, FL 32301

Mailing your documents to another location will delay the filing of the documents.

# Hand Delivery of Documents

You may personally deliver documents the Tallahassee or Pensacola locations of the Clerk's Office during regular business hours. A "drop box" is provided in the lobbies of the Tallahassee and Pensacola locations for contact-less delivery. See drop-box instructions on our website at https://www.flnb.uscourts.gov/drop-box-instructions.

### You will be required to show photo identification to gain entry into a federal building.

### U.S. Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Florida

#### **Mailing Address:**

U.S. Bankruptcy Court 110 E. Park Ave., Ste. 100 Tallahassee, FL 32301

#### Court Locations and Hours: Tallahassee

U.S. Bankruptcy Courthouse 110 E. Park Ave., Ste. 100 Tallahassee, Florida

#### Pensacola

Winston E. Arnow Federal Bldg. 100 N. Palafox St., Ste. 154 Pensacola, Florida

#### Gainesville\*

U.S. Courthouse 401 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Gainesville, Florida \*Court location only; office is not staffed.

#### Panama City

The U.S. Courthouse in Panama City is closed indefinitely due to damage from Hurricane Michael (11/2018).

#### **Office Hours**

Offices are open to the public Monday – Friday, excluding federal holidays, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### **Telephone:**

(850) 521-5001 [Tallahassee] (866) 765-1752 [Toll Free]

> Website: www.flnb.uscourts.gov

Employees of the Clerk's Office are not permitted to assist you in preparing the petition, schedules, or other documents, nor may they provide you with legal advice or attorney recommendations.

This information is intended to answer frequently asked questions and is not to be interpreted as legal advice or to serve as a complete guide as to what is required to be filed, provided, or completed in your case. This information is subject to change without notice. Please review the Court's website for the most recent information and forms.