## Gibson Law Firm, PA

## Directions to the Bankruptcy Court in Columbia, SC

(Court Address: 1100 Laurel Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29202 (803) 765-5436, Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday)

IMPORTANT: You must bring original proof of your social security number (usually your social security card) and a state-issued social security card to the §341 first meeting of creditors. If you do not have your picture ID or social security card, you may have to reschedule the hearing and incur additional attorneys fees. The best proof of your social security number is your social security card. If you do not have your social security card, please discuss this with your attorney prior to the hearing.

You and all of your packages will pass through a metal detector when you enter the building. Therefore, prepare to leave all knives, guns, tape recorders, cell phones, beepers, large belt buckles, etc. in your vehicle. Also, you will have to leave umbrellas at the front desk. If you do not want to do this, you should leave your umbrella in your vehicle. You may have to remove your shoes and belt.

- 1. Take I-26 toward Columbia until it becomes 126 into Columbia.
- 2. Take 126 to the traffic light at Assembly Street. Turn right onto Assembly.
- 3. Take Assembly Street to Laurel Street. (Approx. 3 city blocks from 126).

At the corner of Assembly and Laurel Streets, the Strom Thurmond Federal Building is to your right and the US Bankruptcy Court is at the same intersection diagonally across from the Strom Thurmond Building. The Bankruptcy Court building faces Laurel Street and is a large white building with lots of steps leading up to its doors. If you cannot locate the Bankruptcy Court, telephone the Clerk of Court at the number listed above or telephone the Gibson Law Firm at (864) 261-7040).

Once in the building, go through the metal detector. The officers at the door can tell you where the hearings are being held.

You may wait in the courtroom or in the lobby until Kurt Gibson arrives. In the courtroom you may see hearings ahead of your hearing to see how they are handled. You can discuss any questions you have about the hearing procedures with Kurt Gibson prior to the hearing.

If you are delivering a petition to the Court, go inside the Bankruptcy Court building, through the metal detectors, and the filing counter is in front of you off to the right side. Give the Clerk the envelope you have been provided by the Gibson Law Firm. Be sure that the Clerk stamps one copy with a date and time and returns it to you. If necessary or if requested by the Firm, immediately inform us of the bankruptcy case number stamped on the return copy of the petition so that the creditors can be notified to cease repossession or collection activities. The return copy of the Bankruptcy Petition then should be personally delivered to the Firm.