## 10 Reasons YOU Should File Bankruptcy – Part 2

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Hopefully you read our blog yesterday titled **"10 Reasons YOU Should File Bankruptcy – Part 1."** This blog will list the final 5 reasons many people decide to file for bankruptcy protection:

- 1. Vehicle Repossession. If you believe that your vehicle (or other collateral) is going to be repossessed by your lender, filing bankruptcy will stop the repossession process. The automatic stay prohibits collection efforts against a debtor while he/she is in bankruptcy.
- 2. Cram Down of a Mortgage. If the value of your property is less than the mortgages owed on it, a Chapter 13 filing may allow a debtor to strip a second or third mortgage from the property.
- **3.** Denial of a Loan Modification. If you have been attempting to modify one or more loans, it likely means that you are default on those loans. If your loan modifications are denied, you are in financial trouble. Filing a Chapter 13 case can provide you more time to catch-up on your past due payments.
- 4. To "Buy" More Time. If you are trying to negotiate with lenders, but it is taking too long, filing a bankruptcy can buy you more time to complete the negotiations and loan modifications.
- 5. Remove a Lien. Just as inferior mortgages can be stripped off property, a judicial lien can also be removed from property if is is shown that no equity exists in the property to satisfy the lien. There are countless reasons why consumers file for bankruptcy protection. If you are wondering whether or not filing a bankruptcy case could benefit you, contact <u>Michael Koplen</u> today to meet with an experienced and helpful attorney. We can review your individual circumstances and help you make the best decision for you.

The attorneys at <u>The Koplen Law Firm</u> provide Rockland County and New York City residents with experienced legal representation in bankruptcy matters. We assist individuals seeking relief from their overwhelming debt in filing Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 bankruptcy. If you are considering filing for bankruptcy protection, or you want to discuss options for dealing with your debt, please contact us at <u>(845) 623-7070</u>. In addition to handling all types of bankruptcy cases, our law firm can provide legal assistance with matters involving divorce and family law, personal injury, criminal defense, sexual harassment, and employment discrimination as well.