

Famous Individuals That Have Filed For Bankruptcy

Throughout the history of the United States there have been several famous people who have filed for Bankruptcy and utilized their right to a fresh financial start.

Every person going through bankruptcy feels alone or that they are the only ones suffering from the stress and strain of financial struggles. And now, many people have the wrong impression that bankruptcy relief is no longer available due to the new bankruptcy law changes on October 17, 2005. In fact, the new bankruptcy laws have little effect on most people and in some cases, the new laws are even more favorable than they were before.

Throughout the State of Texas thousands of people and numerous businesses file for bankruptcy every year. It is likely that you may know, friends, family members, coworkers and neighbors who have filed, but they just don't advertise it. There are many famous people who have filed for bankruptcy and due to their celebrity status their bankruptcy filings are disseminated in the media. Bankruptcy relief in the United States has been around since the 1800's. Even the 16th President of the United States Abraham Lincoln filed for bankruptcy twice to start over. You too have a constitutional right to a fresh financial just like the famous individuals below. Remember that if bankruptcy relief is used by Abraham Lincoln, former Texas Governor John Connally, and many others to start over or reorganize their debts maybe you can to.

Abraham Lincoln

16th President of the United States

Benedict Arnold

Betrayed colonists to British

John James Audubon

Illustrated Birds of America

P.T. Barnum

The Great American circus owner

John Barrymore

Actor; *Romeo & Juliet*

Lionel Bart

British composer - lyricist - playwright (1972)

Kim Basinger

Oscar - winning actress (1993)

Frank Baum

Wizard of Oz author

Barbara Bel Geddes

Actor; Miss Elle on *Dallas*

Melvin Belli

Famous Lawyer known as 'The King of Torts'

Bunny Berigan

Jazz trumpeter great

George Best

Manchester United soccer

Jay Black

rock star, lead member of "Jay and the Americans" (1986)

John Wayne Bobbitt

Penectomy survivor

Peter Bogdanovich

American Filmographer

Bjorn Borg

Pro tennis player

Lorraine Bracco

Oscar - nominated actress (1999)

Matthew Brady

portrait / US Civil War photographer (1872)
 Toni Braxton
 rock star (1998)
 Louise Brooks
 Actor; *Pandora's Box*
 Sylvia Browne
 Afraid to accept Randi's \$1 million challenge
 Lenny Bruce
 Comic; Multiply obscene comic
 Buffalo Bill
 Wild West showman
 Gary Burghoff
 Radar O'Reilly in *MASH*
 Anita Bryant
 singer, 1958 Miss America 2nd runner up (1997)
 Crazy Cabbie
 Radio personality on the Howard Stern menagerie
 Tia Carrere
 Actor; *Wayne's World*
 Nell Carter
 Actor; Housekeeper on *Gimme a Break*
 Raymond Carver
 Author; *Will You Please Be Quiet, Please?*
 Miguel de Cervantes
 Novelist; *Don Quixote*
 George Clinton
 rock star (1984) (note: this is not the composer George S. Clinton)
 Samuel L. Clemens ("Mark Twain")
 best - selling American author - humorist (1894)
 Natalie Cole
 singer
 Gary Coleman
 actor (1999)
 Concrete Blonde
 rock group
 John Connally
 Former Texas Governor, wounded in 1963 Kennedy assassination in Dallas (1987)
 Francis Ford Coppola
 Oscar - winning film writer - director - producer (1999)
 Cathy Lee Crosby
 Actress - American Author (1992)
 David Crosby
 singer / songwriter
 Aleister Crowley
 Wickedest man in the world
 Vic Damone
 singer (1971)
 Dorothy Dandridge
 Oscar- nominated actress singer (1963)
 Daniel Defoe
 Author; *Robinson Crusoe*
 Lee De Forest
 Oscar-winning film/sound synchronization pioneer, producer (1937)
 Dino De Laurentis
 Oscar - winning film producer (1988)
 John DeLorean

Automobile designer and entrepreneur

Walt Disney
Oscar - winning film producer, animation & theme park pioneer (1923)

Henry Dunant
Red Cross founder

William C. Durant
Founder of General Motor

Eddy "the eagle" Edwards
Great Britain's first Olympic ski jumper (1991)

Keith Farnie
Survivor II: The Australian Outback contestant, chef-restaurantier, American Author (1996/97)

Freddy Fender
Musician; *Before the Next Teardrop Falls*

Stephin Fetchit
Actor; Professional black stereotype

Eddie Fisher
Singer; crooner dumped by Liz Taylor

Mick Fleetwood
rock star, lead member of "Fleetwood Mac" (1984)

Heidi Fleiss
Clothing line founder; American author

Henry Ford
Automobile manufacturer

William Fox
Co-Founder of 20th Century Fox Film Corporation (1936)

Red Foxx
actor – entertainer

R. Buckminster Fuller
Architect-futurist-invented the geodesic dome

Zsa Zsa Gabor
Cop-slapping Gabor sister

Marvin Gaye
singer (1970s)

Andy Gibb
rock star (1987)

Gary Glitter
Rock and Roll Part 2

Bernhard Goetz
Subway vigilante criminal

Charles Goodyear
19th century American inventor, who discovered how to vulcanize rubber

Ulysses S. Grant
18th US President; Civil War general, best-selling American Author, face is pictured on the US fifty dollar bill (1884 after leaving office)

Elizabeth Ward Gracen
actress; model; Miss America 1982 (1999)

Bob Guccione
publisher and founder of Penthouse magazine (2003)

Johannes Gutenberg
Inventor of movable type

Tony Gwynn
Batted .394 in 1994 for the Padres

Merle Haggard
country music star (1993)

Corey Haim
actor (1997)

Frans Hals
Dutch portraitist

Dorothy Hamill
Olympic gold-medal ice-skater (1996)

M.C. Hammer
rock star (1996)

George Frideric Handel
Messiah composer

Richard Harris
Oscar-nominated actor-producer-director

Isaac Hayes
Oscar-winning songwriter - composer - musician -singer (1976)

Margaux Hemingway
Troubled actress OD'd on klonopin

Sherman Hemsley
actor (2002)

Ty Herndon
Country music star caught in cruisy park

Milton Snavely Hershey
founder of Hershey's chocolate

Kent Hovind
Creation Science huckster

Steve Howe
MLB pitcher

E. Howard Hunt
Coordinated Watergate break-in

Nelson Bunker Hunt
Tried to corner the silver market

Ron Isley
Rhythm-and blues singer (mid late 1990s)

La Toya Jackson
rock star (1995)

Don Johnson
actor-producer

Eli Jacobs
Former Baltimore Orioles owner

Janice - Marie Johnson
rock star/disco diva (1980s)

Al Jolson
Miami Vice, Nash Bridges

George Jones
Country singer

Kacey Jones
country music star, musical humorist

Clay Jordan
Survivor V: Thailand contestant; restauranter (2001)

Chaka Kahn
rock star

Charles Keating
Morality crusader, white-collar swindler

Buster Keaton
Actor, *The General*

Bernard Kerik
NYC Police Commissioner, 2000-2001

Margot Kidder
Lois Lane in *Superman* movie

Larry King
talk-show host, best selling American author (1978)

Robert Kiyosaki
Rich Dad, Poor Dad author

Bowie Kuhn
former US baseball commissioner

Gary Kurtz
Oscar-nominated film producer

Veronica Lake
actress (1951)

Lorenzo Lamas
actor (2004)

Cyndi Lauper
rock star (1983)

Anton LaVey
Founder of the Church of Satan

Stan Lee
Comic book industry pioneer , co-creator "Spider Man," "The Incredible Hulk," "The X-Men" etc
(2001)

Jerry Lewis
comic

Jerry Lee Lewis
famous Rock n' Roll star

Horace Liveright
Publisher of the Modern Library series

Meat Loaf
rock star (1983)

Ashley MacIsaac
musician fiddler (2000)

Jackie Mason
comedian – entertainer

Henry Mayhew
Punch journalist

Mindy McCready
Country Music star , American author

William McKinley
25th US President 1897-1901

Tom Metzger
white supremacist

Marvin Mitchelson
celebrity divorce lawyer

Melba Moore
Singer - Actress

Deborah Morgan
Singer -Songwriter - Producer (2000)

Lorrie Morgan
Country music star, American Author

Robert Morris
Politician who financed Revolutionary War

Levi P. Morton
Vice President under Benjamin Harrison

Motor City Five/MCS
rock group of the 1960s (1970)

John Nash
British Regency architect

Willie Nelson

singer-songwriter-actor, American Author (1990)
 Wayne Newton
 singer-actor - entertainer (1992)
 Harry Nilsson
 singer/songwriter; *Me and My Arrow*
 F. Donald Nixon
 Nixon's brother
 Immanuel Nobel
 father of manufacturers - philanthropist Alfred Nobel , who founded the Nobel Prize (twice -
 1833/year Alfred was born, 1856/ when Alfred was 23)
 Mary Nolan
 actress (1931)
 Emperor Norton
 Emperor of the United States and protector of Mexico
 Ted Nugent
 Rock Star
 Kate O'Brien
The Land of Spices novelist
 Thomas Paine
 Common Sense activist
 Johnny Paycheck
 country music star (1976)
 Tom Petty
 rock star (1979)
 Gaylord Perry
 baseball player
 Philip II
 King of Spain, 1556-1598
 Buddy Post
 Lottery millionaire
 Susan Powter
 exercise/fitness expert, talk show host, best selling American Author (1995)
 Burt Prelutsky
 American television writer; screenwriter (1997)
 Randy Quaid
 actor
 Lynn Redgrave
 actress
 Rembrandt
 painter
 Tommy Rettig
 actor; Jeff Miller in *Lassie*
 Burt Reynolds
 Oscar-nominated actor - director , American Author (1995)
 Debbie Reynolds
 Oscar nominated actress-singer, American Author (1997)
 Mickey Rooney
 Oscar nominated actor, American Author (1962)
 Rick Ross
 Activist; cult expert, deprogrammer
 Harry Saltzman
 film producer (James Bond movies) (1975)
 Ray Sawyer
 rock star, member of "Dr. Hook and the Medicine Show" (1973)
 Oskar Schindler
 activist who saved over 1000 Jews from the Nazis

Shenandoah
country music band (1991)

Billy Sims
Detroit Lions RB

Tom Sizemore
Heat, Robbery Homicide Division actor

Anna Nicole Smith
Model-Actress, 1993 Playboy magazine "Playmate of the Year"(1996)

Dee Snider
frontman for Twisted Sister, musician

Phoebe Snow
Jazz vocalist

Lynne Spears
American author, mother of rock star Britney Spears (1998, filed with husband James prior to Britney's stardom)

Leon Spinks
boxer

Sheryl Swoopes
Three-time WNBA MVP

J. Fife Symington
Governor of Arizona (1995, while still in office)

Lawrence Taylor
NFL hall of famer

Randall Terry
Operation Rescue founder

Nikola Tesla
Invented alternating current

Donald Trump
billionaire entrepreneur

TLC
rock group (1995)

Mark Twain
Huckleberry Finn author

Mike Tyson
boxer (2003)

Johnny Unitas
legendary Hall of Fame football quarterback

John Whitehead
Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now, musician

Oscar Wilde
acclaimed poet and author

James Wilson
U.S. Supreme Court Justice 1789-1798

Tammy Wynette
country music star (1988)

Florenz Ziegfeld
actor, the *Ziegfeld Follies*