#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016

## PART 9

## **DEBT RELIEF ORDERS**

## **CHAPTER 2**

Application for a debt relief order

## Role of approved intermediary

- **9.5.**—(1) The approved intermediary, through whom the application for a debt relief order is to be made, must create an application for a debt relief order in the name of the debtor as soon as reasonably practicable after being asked by the debtor to do so.
  - (2) The approved intermediary may assist the debtor—
    - (a) to identify what information is required to complete the application;
    - (b) based upon the documentation and information supplied by the debtor, to ascertain whether—
      - (i) the debtor appears to have debts not exceeding the prescribed amount,
      - (ii) the debtor's surplus income does not exceed the prescribed amount, and
      - (iii) the value of the debtor's property does not exceed the prescribed amount; and
    - (c) to ensure that the application (if made) is completed in full.
  - (3) The approved intermediary must draw the debtor's attention to—
    - (a) all the conditions to which an application for, and the making of, a debt relief order is subject;
    - (b) the possible consequences of the debtor making any false representation or omission in the application; and
    - (c) the fact that verification checks will be made for the purpose of verifying that the debtor complies with the conditions to which the making of a debt relief order is subject and the requirement for the debtor to consent to such checks being made.
- (4) The approved intermediary must deliver the application to the official receiver as soon as reasonably practicable after being instructed by the debtor to do so.