

Child Support is Not Dischargeable in Bankruptcy

Chapter 7 bankruptcy can get rid of credit card debt, old medical bills, even certain back taxes. Child support is another matter entirely. The Bankruptcy Code excludes certain debts from discharge as a matter of public policy. For example, debts incurred while driving drunk are not eligible for discharge. Similarly, an individual that is responsible for child support will not be able to avoid the financial obligation by seeking bankruptcy protection. Congress does not want to encourage people not to pay child support...

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