

# Insolvency Act 1985

## **1985 CHAPTER 65**

### PART III

INDIVIDUAL INSOLVENCY

### **CHAPTER V**

Administration by Trustee

Distribution of bankrupt's estate

#### 168 Final meeting

- (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3) below, where it appears to the trustee that the administration of the bankrupt's estate in accordance with this Chapter is for practical purposes complete and the trustee is not the official receiver, the trustee shall summon a final general meeting of the bankrupt's creditors which—
  - (a) shall receive the trustee's report of his administration of the bankrupt's estate; and
  - (b) shall determine whether the trustee should have his release under section 146 above.
- (2) The trustee may, if he thinks fit, give the notice summoning the final general meeting at the same time as giving notice under section 167(1) above but, if summoned for an earlier date, that meeting shall be adjourned (and, if necessary, further adjourned) until a date on which the trustee is able to report to the meeting that the administration of the bankrupt's estate is for practical purposes complete.
- (3) In a case where property consisting of an interest in a dwelling house which is occupied by the bankrupt or by his spouse or former spouse is comprised in the bankrupt's estate and the trustee has been unable for any reason to realise that property, the trustee shall not summon a meeting under this section unless either—

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- (a) the court has made an order under section 159 above imposing a charge on that property for the benefit of the bankrupt's estate ; or
- (b) the court has declined, on an application under that section, to make such an order ; or
- (c) the Secretary of State has issued a certificate to the trustee stating that it would be inappropriate or inexpedient for such an application to be made in the case in question.
- (4) In the administration of the bankrupt's estate it shall be the duty of the trustee to retain sufficient sums from the bankrupt's estate to cover the expenses of summoning and holding the meeting required by this section.