

BANKRUPTCY FILINGS POLICY (and Library Materials/Fines)

PURPOSE:

To describe the West Allis Public Library's policy regarding bankruptcy filings and library materials and/or fines.

ORGANIZATIONS AFFECTED:

This policy applies to all City of West Allis departments, boards, commissions, and the general public.

POLICY:

The West Allis Public Library will follow a uniform policy when notified that library patrons have filed for bankruptcy.

REFERENCES:

Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter 43.

West Allis Public Library Board approved April 28, 2010; revised January 27, 2021.

PROCEDURE:

When the library is notified that a patron has filed for bankruptcy, all existing (West Allis) ~~fines~~ replacement costs will be waived from the library records of those persons listed on the bankruptcy notice.

Borrowing privileges will be suspended for patrons who have overdue (~~unreturned~~) library ~~fines~~ materials until the ~~fines are paid in full~~ or the issue is otherwise resolved. Filing bankruptcy does not transfer ownership of library materials ~~eliminate overdue fine payment obligations~~ to the debtors.

Library Board Approval

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