

The Rutter Group California Practice Guide: Enforcing Judgments and Debts

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The 2026 Edition of *Enforcing Judgments and Debts* is an up-to-date guide on enforcement issues under California and relevant federal law. For this edition, author Judge Alan Ahart (Ret.) has added new material and/or updated existing material based on relevant case and statutory developments, including, but not limited to, the following subjects:

- Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, California Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Fair Debt Collection Procedures Act
- Song-Beverly Consumer Warranty Act and Uniform Voidable Transactions Act
- Bankruptcy considerations
- Maintaining jurisdiction postjudgment
- New statutes re reinstatement of real property judgment liens and personal property judgment liens
- Procedures for levy of writ of execution
- Opposing claim of exemption
- Exempt life insurance policies and retirement plans
- Enforcement against joint debtors
- Amending judgment to add nonparty alter egos as judgment debtors – no collateral estoppel bar

Please refer to the “Update highlights and filing (PDF)” for a more comprehensive summary of the most significant developments in this edition.