

# Pruzbul

This year, 5775, is a *Sh'mitah* (Sabbatical) year. At the end of the seventh year of the *Sh'mitah* cycle, all loans are nullified, including credit agreements and wage agreements that have been converted to loan agreements. (As the guidelines regarding rental agreements that have been converted to loan agreements are complex, it is best to make a Pruzbul in such cases.)

One who wishes to collect his loans after the *Sh'mitah* year must make a Pruzbul before the time that the loans are nullified (i.e. the end of the *Sh'mitah* year). Typically, this is done during the month of *Elul*. The laws of Pruzbul are found in Choshen Mishpat Section 67.

To use the form below, the lender asks two men to serve as witnesses and reads the declaration out loud. He then fills in the Pruzbul form attached as evidence he made a Pruzbul. Forms should be sent to the RCC.

In the presence of the undersigned two witnesses there appeared before us

\_\_\_\_\_ who declared before us as follows:

“Be my witnesses that I am submitting all of the debts owed to me to the Beth Din of the Rabbinical Council of California, comprised of the following judges (dayanim): Rabbi Nachum Sauer, Rabbi Gershon Bess, and Rabbi Avrohom Union, so that I may therefore collect these debts at any time that I desire.”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we hereby affix our signatures this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 5775, here in \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_