

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

PUBLIC NOTICE

COURT ENTRY OF STANDING ORDER NO. 21-1

**ADJUSTMENT IN LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 2016-1(C) COMPENSATION
FOR DEBTOR'S COUNSEL IN CHAPTER 13 CASES
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021**

Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(3)(e) and (i), therein, provides that in a Chapter 13 case where the debtor is represented by an attorney:

(e) The level of compensation set forth at subparagraph (C)(1)(a) and (C)(3)(a) of this Local Bankruptcy Rule will be adjusted on a periodic basis to apply to the cases commenced after the adjusted level becomes effective by:

(i) the percentage of adjustment to the rate of pay prescribed in the General Schedule for statutorily affected federal civilian employees[.]

Subparagraphs (C)(1)(a) and (C)(3)(a) of Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1 reference the “Adjustment of Dollar Amounts’ statement published and updated periodically by the Clerk, as approved by the Court,. . .” That statement sets forth the fee and expenses that the Court may award to chapter 13 debtors’ counsel, in its discretion, without a hearing.

Accordingly, as set forth in Standing Order No. 21-1 effective January 1, 2021, the prescribed level of compensation is adjusted from \$5,434, where the former figure appeared in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, to \$5,488, as the statement now has been updated by the Clerk. The level of compensation set forth in Standing Order No. 14-4, 15-1, 16-2, 17-2, 18-1, 19-2, and 20-1 remain in effect for the periods, as respectively set forth in Standing Order No. 21-1.

William C. Redden
Clerk of Court

Date: January 12, 2021

Attachment

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

In re:)
)
Compensation of Debtor's) Standing Order No. 21-1
Counsel in Chapter 13 Cases)
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ORDER ON FEES FOR DEBTOR'S COUNSEL IN CHAPTER 13 CASES

Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(3)(e) and (i), therein, provide that the Court may adjust the compensation of an attorney representing a debtor in a Chapter 13 case:

(e) The level of compensation set forth at subparagraph (C)(1)(a) and (C)(3)(a) of this Local Bankruptcy Rule will be adjusted on a periodic basis to apply to the cases commenced after the adjusted level becomes effective by:

(i) the percentage of adjustment to the rate of pay prescribed in the General Schedule for statutorily affected federal civilian employees[.]

Subparagraphs (C)(1)(a) and (C)(3)(a) of Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1 reference the "Adjustment of Dollar Amounts" statement published and updated periodically by the Clerk, as approved by the Court, . . ." That statement sets forth the fee and expenses that the Court may award to chapter 13 debtors' counsel, in its discretion, without a hearing.

NOW, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Where "\$5,434" previously appeared in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, the statement shall be updated to read "\$5,488." Such adjustment to compensation shall apply to Chapter 13 cases commenced on or after January 1, 2021.
2. Standing Order No. 14-4, as to the \$5,000 fee specified in then Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a), (C)(3) heading, and (C)(3)(a), shall continue to apply to Chapter 13 cases that commenced from August 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014, inclusive.
3. Standing Order No. 15-1, as to the \$5,050 fee specified in then Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a), (C)(3) heading, and (C)(3)(a), and heretofore in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, shall continue to

apply to Chapter 13 cases that commenced from January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, inclusive.

4. Standing Order No. 16-2, as to the \$5,100 fee specified in Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a), (C)(3) heading, and (C)(3)(a), and heretofore in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, shall continue to apply to Chapter 13 cases that commenced from January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016, inclusive.
5. Standing Order No. 17-2, as to the \$5,151 fee specified in Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a), (C)(3) heading, and (C)(3)(a), and heretofore in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, shall continue to apply to Chapter 13 cases that commenced from January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, inclusive.
6. Standing Order No. 18-1, as to the \$5,223 fee specified in Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a), (C)(3) heading, and (C)(3)(a), and heretofore in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, shall continue to apply to Chapter 13 cases that commenced from January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, inclusive.
7. Standing Order No. 19-2, as to the \$5,296 fee specified in Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a), (C)(3) heading, and (C)(3)(a), and heretofore in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, shall continue to apply to Chapter 13 cases that commenced from January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, inclusive.
8. Standing Order No. 20-1, as to the \$5,434 fee specified in Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a), (C)(3) heading, and (C)(3)(a), and heretofore in the Adjustment of Dollar Amounts statement published by the Clerk, shall continue to apply to Chapter 13 cases that commenced from January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, inclusive.

FOR THE COURT:


FRANK J. SANTORO
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

Dated: January 12, 2021