

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
(All Divisions)**

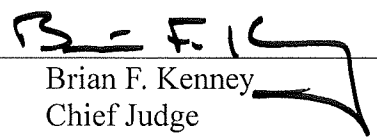
**STANDING ORDER No. 25-5, ELIMINATING THE
NEED FOR CERTIFICATIONS UNDER BANKRUPTCY
CODE SECTION 1325(a)**

It has come to the attention of the Court that the parties are filing Certifications Under Section 1325(a) in the Court's Richmond Division in advance of the entry of Orders Confirming Chapter 13 Plans. The use of Section 1325(a) Certifications has been limited to the Richmond Division. Section 1325(a) does not require a Certification, as does Section 1328(a) of the Code. In the interest of uniformity among the Court's Divisions, it is

ORDERED that Section 1325(a) Certifications will no longer be required in any of the Court's Divisions for entry of Orders Confirming Chapter 13 Plans. The Chapter 13 Trustees are encouraged to continue to perform their statutory duties to inquire into the requirements for confirmation of a Plan, and nothing in this Order is intended to prescribe how they go about their inquiries with Debtors.

This Order shall be effective immediately.

Dated: 10/16/2025



Brian F. Kenney
Chief Judge