

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
Richmond Division

In re:

Election of Compensation in Chapter 13  
Cases

Richmond General Order No. 14-1

ELECTION OF COMPENSATION METHOD IN CHAPTER 13 CASES UNDER LOCAL  
BANKRUPTCY RULE 2016-1(C)

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia recently amended Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C), which governs debtor attorney compensation in all chapter 13 cases filed on or after August 1, 2014. In order to assist the bar and the Court, the Court has amended its standardized Disclosure of Compensation of Attorney for Debtor form, Local Form number B203 (the “Disclosure of Compensation Form”). It is, therefore

ORDERED:

1. In all chapter 13 cases filed in the Richmond Division on or after the date of entry of this order, pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(c), the debtor’s attorney shall file with the Court a completed Form B203R13 Disclosure of Compensation within fourteen days of the commencement of the case.
2. The attorney for the debtor shall clearly denote on the Disclosure of Compensation Form how the attorney elects to receive compensation in the case.
3. An attorney for the debtor that fails to make the election to request compensation pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a) and (C)(3)(a) at the commencement of the case on

page two of the Disclosure of Compensation Form will be deemed to have elected to request compensation in the manner set forth within Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(c)(ii).

4. In the event an attorney who has elected to charge the “no-look” fee pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(C)(1)(a) and (C)(3)(a) charges an initial fee less than \$5,000 and subsequently seeks an increase of the initial fee, the attorney may apply for a total fee up to \$5,000 without being required to provide time and expense records; provided, however, the attorney must receive Court approval for such increase, after notice and a hearing.

ENTERED: December 1, 2014

/s/ Kevin R. Huennekens  
KEVIN R. HUENNEKENS  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

/s/ Keith L. Phillips  
KEITH L. PHILLIPS  
United States Bankruptcy Judge