

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDER 21-01

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the court has adopted Standing Order 21-01 implementing new procedures for the filing of highly sensitive sealed documents (HSD), upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Federal Judiciary.

These procedures respond to recent disclosures of wide-spread breaches of government and private sector computer systems involving the use of Solar Winds technology. In the wake of these attacks, a possible compromise of the security of the Judiciary's CM/ECF system is under investigation by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Department of Homeland Security and other federal cyber-security specialists.

Standing Order 21-01 creates procedures for defining, filing, serving, and maintaining highly sensitive sealed documents outside of CM/ECF.

The Order is effective January 22, 2021, subject to revision in light of comments received. Interested parties may submit comments on or before March 5, 2021, to :

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Dated: January 22, 2021



Deborah S. Hunt, Clerk