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DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

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**NOTICE OF CHANGE IN LOCAL RULE 1007-1(b)(2) AND CLERK'S
OFFICE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTRONIC FILING OF STATEMENT
OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER(S) (OFFICIAL FORM B21)**

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2013

COURT FILERS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Effective **October 1, 2013**, the Clerk's office will follow amended Local Rule 1007-1(b)(2) in its deadline and review procedures for the filing of the debtors **Statement of Social Security Number(s) (Official Form B21)**.

Attorneys electronically filing new bankruptcy petitions will now be required to file the **Statement of Social Security Number(s) (Official Form B21)** as a separate *private* event in ECF immediately upon completion of the filing of the petition. Failure to file the Statement of Social Security will result in the issuance of a 7 Day Missing Documents Notice and Notice of Automatic Dismissal for Non-Compliance.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

After the bankruptcy petition is filed, the **Statement of Social Security Number(s) (Official Form B21)** must be filed using the *private* event, "**Statement of Social Security Number(s) (Official Form B21)**". This private event ensures that only court personnel have access to the

debtor's full social security number.

Amended B21 Statements should be filed using the *private event*, **AMENDED Statement of Social Security Number(s) (Official Form B21)**.

In accordance with Fed.R.Bank.P. 9037 and Local Rule 9037-1, filers should ensure that they do **NOT** attach the **Statement of Social Security Number(s) (Official Form B21)** to the voluntary petition or any schedules.

The filing attorney should continue to retain the original **Statement of Social Security Number(s) (Official Form B21)** for the prescribed period of time pursuant to LBR 5005-4.

Dated: September 30, 2013

/s/ Susan M. Thurston
Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court

