

ADOPTED September 1, 2014

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

NOTICE OF STANDING ORDER 14-01

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the court has adopted Standing Order 14-01, to take effect for briefing orders issued on or after September 1, 2014.

To reduce costs in appointed counsel and in forma pauperis cases, the Standing Order reduces the number of paper copies of briefs and appendices required under formal briefing orders issued in appointed counsel and in forma pauperis cases as follows:

- Parties must file one electronic copy and one paper copy of the brief or appendix when due;
- If the court tentatively calendars the case for oral argument, parties must file three identical paper copies of their briefs and appendices within ten days of the notice tentatively assigning the case to an argument session;
- The court will order additional copies if needed in any case.

The Standing Order will take effect for briefing orders issued on or after September 1, 2014. Interested parties may submit comments on or before August 15, 2014, to:

Patricia S. Connor, Clerk
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
1100 E. Main Street, Suite 501
Richmond, Virginia 23219

or via email to:

rulecomments@ca4.uscourts.gov

The Fourth Circuit Rulebook is available [here](#)

July 15, 2014

Date

s/Patricia S. Connor

Clerk

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Brief and Appendix Copies	*	
in Appointed Counsel and	*	Standing Order 14-01
In Forma Pauperis Cases	*	

ORDER

Fourth Circuit Local Rules 31(d) and 30(b)(4) currently require appointed counsel to file six paper copies of briefs, five paper copies of appendices, and four paper copies of sealed briefs and appendices, and require any party proceeding in forma pauperis without appointed counsel to file four paper copies of briefs and appendices. To reduce costs in appointed counsel and in forma pauperis cases, the court reduces the number of paper copies of briefs and appendices required under any formal briefing order issued on or after the date of this order, as follows:

Parties in cases in which any party is represented by appointed counsel or proceeding in forma pauperis shall file one electronic copy and one paper copy of their formal briefs and appendices. If the court tentatively calendars the case for oral argument, the parties shall file three identical copies of their paper briefs and appendices within ten days of the notice tentatively assigning the case to an oral argument session.

The court will order additional paper copies if needed in any case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT:

William B. Traxler, Jr.
Chief Judge

Dated: September 1, 2014