

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**STANDING ORDER 2026-2**

**COMMENCING A BANKRUPTCY CASE**

Considering the interest of the court in preventing fraud in the filings of bankruptcy petitions:

**IT IS ORDERED** that effective May 1, 2026, all petitions filed by an individual debtor or debtors **shall** include copies of (1) a picture identification card and (2) the debtor's social security card or other verification of the debtor's social security number by the Social Security Administration, unless excused by order of the court. The Bankruptcy Clerk shall restrict public access to a debtor's picture identification card and social security card filed in accordance with this standing order.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, April 15, 2026.

**/s/ Michael A. Crawford**  
MICHAEL A. CRAWFORD  
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE