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Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that, effective as of the date of this Standing Order, and until such time as the Court orders otherwise, all sealed documents shall be subject to the “hard copy” handling requirements applicable to documents treated as Highly Sensitive Documents

("HSD"). These handling requirements are set forth in Paragraph 4(b)–(d) of Standing Order No. 2024-5 providing the procedure for the filing, service, and management of HSD. The Clerk's Office of this Court will be available to assist counsel and pro se parties and answer questions regarding the updated procedures for submitting sealed material.

Rules governing sealing materials can be found in Local General Rule 9. To the extent that Local Rule conflicts with this Standing Order, this Standing Order governs. Although sealed materials that do not qualify as HSD will be handled following the HSD hard copy filing procedures, these materials should be referred to in relevant submissions as "Sealed" documents rather than as "Highly Sensitive Documents." Any materials that are permissibly filed under seal without the need for an accompanying motion to seal, such as a Fed. R. Crim. Pr. 35 motion for reduced sentence, may continue to be filed under seal without a motion.

Any questions about how a sealed document should be filed with the Court pursuant to this Standing Order should be directed to the Clerk's Office in Roanoke, at 540-857-5100.

It is **SO ORDERED**.

Entered: August 11, 2025.

/s/ Elizabeth K. Dillon
Elizabeth K. Dillon
Chief United States District Judge