

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

**REMINDER: STATEMENT OF CONSENT  
TO ENTRY OF FINAL JUDGMENT/ORDER REQUIRED**

Edits to the national rules that became effective on December 1, 2016, require various pleadings to include a statement that the filer does or does not “consent to entry of final orders or judgment by the bankruptcy court.”

The statement is required in:

- Adversary proceeding complaints, counterclaims, cross-claims, or third party complaints [Fed.R.Bankr.P. 7008];
- Any responsive pleading to a complaint, counterclaim, cross-claim, or third party complaint, including a motion to dismiss or an answer [Fed.R.Bankr.P. 7012];
- Notices of removal [Fed.R.Bankr.P. 9027(a)]; and
- Any other pleading filed in connection with the removed claim or cause of action [Fed.R.Bankr.P. 9027(e)(3)].

The Judges have noted many pleadings in which the required statement is not made. The absence of the statement can hamper the Court’s processing of the matter.

Please be attentive to this requirement, and be sure to edit any form pleadings to include the statement. A statement that the matter is core or non-core is no longer needed, and does not satisfy the requirement of a statement as to consent.

February 3, 2017

/s/ Kevin P. Dempsey  
Clerk