

VIRGINIA:

**IN THE GENERAL DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE CITY OF RICHMOND**

STANDING ORDER ON FIRST APPEARANCES

Upon the issuance of a summons by an officer, the officer shall appear in court on the first calling of the case per the return date set by the officer on the summons.

An officer need not appear on the first return date for any summons issued by a magistrate. The clerk will subpoena the officer for trial at a later date.

An officer need not appear on the first return date for any warrant issued by the magistrate. The clerk will subpoena the officer for trial at a later date.

An officer may provide the magistrate with a preferred court date for trial or preliminary hearing. That date should be noted on the face of the warrant by the magistrate. All officers should provide the court with updated available dates for trial or preliminary hearing at least three months forward. Failure to provide available dates will result in cases being set at the convenience of the court and counsel.

ENTER: November 8, 2016,



TRACY THORNE-BEGLAND,
Chief Judge