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Electronic Court Record Online

The Electronic Court Record Online (ECR Online) is available for registration and allows attorneys to use the internet to view documents filed on their own cases and cases on which members of their firm are the attorney of record in adult case types. Sealed or confidential documents are not available online and require a court order for viewing at a records center.

The ECR Online registration system automatically compares the registrant's driver's license number against a Motor Vehicles Department database to verify identity. The information used in the registration process must exactly match the information on the driver's license to confirm identity. If an attorney chooses not to provide a driver's license number or the information does not match, the attorney can verify their identity at the Clerk's filing counters at the Downtown Phoenix Central Court Building, located at 201 W. Jefferson St.

If an attorney has a user name and password for the eFiling "live" site, the same user name and password should be entered when registering at the ECR Online site. Registration is available at the ECR Online website: <https://ecr.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov/login.aspx>. eFiling vendors offer expanded document viewing, extending the scope of documents available beyond those where the attorney is the attorney of record, similar to the access available in the federal PACER system. Vendor information is available at <http://clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov/efiling/default.asp>.

Electronic Orders of Assignment

In mid-May, the Clerk and the Court will implement an electronic Order of Assignment in Family Court. This process will change the way attorneys and parties file Orders of Assignment and Modification Orders. Primarily, when an Order of Assignment or modification is ordered during a hearing, the court clerk will prepare the Order while the parties are in court, using information provided by the parties. The Order will also be electronically filed by the Clerk. Forms previously used by attorneys and the forms in Self-Service Center packets will be replaced by the newer electronic process.

The electronic Order of Assignment is one of the reasons the Superior Court authorized a pilot in Family Court requiring Maricopa County-specific sensitive data forms be filed in new family court cases. Check the Clerk's website and the *Clerk's Corner* articles in the *Maricopa Lawyer* for more information.

Family Court Filing Requirement

New family court case filings must now include a confidential sensitive data form, as required by Superior Court Administrative Order 2008-21. The required form is available in Self-Service Center packets and on the Clerk of the Court's website (www.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov).