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eFiling Changes in Complex Civil Litigation

The vendor contract with LexisNexis for eFiling in complex civil cases expires in September and all participating parties and attorneys will need to transition to an alternative system. The Clerk's Office qualified three vendors to accept electronic filings in the superior court in Maricopa County. Wiznet.com is the only vendor currently accepting eFilings under this qualification process. The Clerk's eFiling Online website will also be available for complex civil litigation cases.

Parties and attorneys will notice differences between the existing platform for eFiling in complex civil cases and the style and services of either Wiznet or the Clerk's eFiling Online system. The Clerk's Office supports using third-party vendors for their ability to provide add-on services and features that are not available on the Clerk's eFiling Online website. In an effort to fully inform participants of their eFiling options, the Clerk of the Superior Court provides the name of each law firm registered on the Clerk's eFiling system to eFiling vendors whose participation in the pilot is qualified under a Request for Proposals process. The Clerk's Office does not sell or provide registered users' information to entities unaffiliated with the eFiling pilot project.

eFiling Demonstrations

The Clerk's Office provides free monthly demonstrations of the eFiling Online system. The one-and-a-half hour sessions guide participants through the registration process and how to do a simple filing with a supporting document. Attendees view the training and "live" eFiling websites and are provided useful tips and requirements involved in eFiling, as well as participating in a question and answer session. Registering for the Electronic Court Record Online (ECR Online) is also discussed. ECR Online allows attorneys to use the internet to view the public court documents filed in their cases. The list of training dates and times is available on the Clerk of the Court's website at <http://www.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov/news/eFileTrainingFlier.pdf>. Seating is limited. To reserve a space, contact Joe Silberschlag at 602-506-2171 or by email at silberschlagj@COSC.maricopa.gov.

The Clerk's Office periodically offers in-depth CLE classes that address the information covered in the monthly eFiling demonstrations as well as background, behind-the-scenes processes, and regularly-updated information on the future of eFiling in the State of Arizona.

Child Support Guidelines

An Arizona Supreme Court committee is performing its quadrennial review of the child support guidelines. For more information, visit the Child Support Guidelines Review Committee website at <http://www.supreme.state.az.us/csgrc/>. Comments may be submitted online or by mail to the Child Support Guideline Review Committee, 1501 W Washington St, Ste 410, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Comments must be received by the committee before August 31, 2008.