

# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 04.25.2025

(DC/LT/SC)



New

**Effective May 1, 2025**, the Service Fee for Special Civil Part will increase to \$10.00 per defendant for Certified/Regular Mail. The fee increase will be applied to eCourts for DC and LT cases and to JEDS for DC, LT, and SC cases. The fee for Restricted Delivery will remain at \$14 per defendant.

# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 11.15.2024

### (Law)

	<p>A new case type (816) has been created for the Affordable Housing program along with new filing types. Click <a href="#">here</a> for more information.</p> <p>This case type is to be used exclusively for the filing of actions in connection with legislation (L. 2024, c. 2) amending N.J.S.A. 52:27D-302, the Fair Housing Act (FHA), and establishing the Alternate Dispute Resolution Program.</p>
	<p>When submitting a complaint, a new MCL case type has been added: Bard Implanted Port Catheter Products (640).</p>

## *(Affordable Housing Case Type & Filing Types)*

Case type 816 has been created for Affordable Housing. This case type will only be visible if "Complaint" is selected as the Initiating Document. A municipality selection will be required.

### Enter Case Details

\* Select Venue:

\*  I certify that the matter in controversy is not the subject of any other court action or arbitration proceeding, no pending or contemplated, and that no other parties should be joined in this action.  
 The matter in controversy is subject to another court action or arbitration proceeding, pending or contemplated.

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### Enter Case Details

\*Select Initiating Document:  
Does this case involve a business/commercial transaction or construction project with an amount in controversy of at least \$200,000? If so, please click [here](#).

\*Select Case Type:  
\*Municipality:

Law Firm Case ID:

\*Jury Demand:  
Please check off each applicable category:

\*Is this a professional malpractice case?  
\*Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?  
\*Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?  
\*Related cases pending?  
\*Do you anticipate adding any parties?  
(arising out of same transaction or occurrence)?  
Use this space to alert the court to any special case characteristics that may warrant individual management or accelerated disposition:

Putative Class Action  Title 59  Medical Debt Claim

Yes  No  
 Yes  No  
 Yes  No  
 Yes  No  
 Yes  No

The following filing types have been added to eCourts and are specific to the Affordable Housing case type:

### **Responsive Pleadings**

- Challenge - Fair Share Obligations (First Paper)
- Challenge - Fair Share Obligations (Not First Paper)
- Challenge - Housing Element & Fair Share Plan (First Paper)
- Challenge-Housing Element & Fair Share Plan (Not First Paper)

### **Miscellaneous Documents**


- Housing Element and Fair Share Plan
- Implementing Ordinances & Resolution
- Municipal Resolution

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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 03.22.2024

(Civil - L)

	<p>A new case type labeled “Civil Commitment Expungements” has been added to eCourts Civil Part. This case type is restricted from public access. Only court staff, attorneys of record, and associated pro ses will be able to view the case jacket. Click <a href="#">here</a> for screenshots.</p>
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# Civil Commitment Expungements

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### Enter Case Details

\* Select Venue:

\*  I certify that the matter in controversy is not the subject of any other court action or arbitration proceeding, no pending or contemplated, and that no other parties should be joined in this action.  
 The matter in controversy is subject to another court action or arbitration proceeding, pending or contemplated.

### Enter Case Details

\*Select Initiating Document:

\*Select Case Type:

Law Firm Case ID:

\*Jury Demand:

Please check off each applicable category:

\*Is this a professional malpractice case?

\*Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?

\*Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?

\*Related cases pending?

\*Do you anticipate adding any parties?  
(arising out of same transaction or occurrence)?

Use this space to alert the court to any special case

position:

Restriction error message that displays when searching for a Civil Commitment Expungement case.

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CASE JACKET User:

**✖ This record is not accessible pursuant to R. 1:38-3(a)(2).**

### Search For Case

Search for Case Jacket

Case County:  Docket Type:  Docket Number:  Docket Year:

Ex. Atlantic Ex. Civil Part (L) Ex. 012345 Ex. 15


Screen ID : ECCV3000 | © Copyright NJ Judiciary 2016

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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 02.23.2024

(L)

	A new case type labeled “Election Law” has been added to eCourts Civil Part. Click <a href="#">here</a> for a screenshot.
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(All Courts)

	The confidential restriction reasons have been updated to match the current list of court rules under Rule 1:38-3 Court Records Excluded from Public Access.
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## Election Law

New "Election Law" case type is available.

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eCOURTS HOME | CASE MANAGEMENT | **UPLOAD DOCUMENT** | CASE JACKET User: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Enter Case Details

\* Filing Date:

\* Select Venue:

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### Enter Case Details

*Select Initiating Document:	<input type="text" value="COMPLAINT"/> <input type="button" value="v"/>
*Select Case Type:	<input type="text" value=""/> <input type="button" value="v"/>
Law Firm Case ID:	293 - DEPUY ASR HIP IMPLANT LITIGATION
*Jury Demand:	804 - ELECTION LAW
Please check off each applicable category:	638 - ELMIRON
*Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?	509 - EMPLOYMENT (other than CEPA or LAD)
*Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?	156 - ENVIRONMENTAL/ENVIRONMENTAL COVERAGE LITIGATION
	625 - FIREFIGHTER HEARING LOSS LITIGATION
	175 - FORFEITURE
	282 - FOSAMAX
	632 - HEALTHPLUS SURGERY CENTER
	514 - INSURANCE FRAUD
	617 - INVERSE CONDEMNATION
	618 - LAW AGAINST DISCRIMINATION (LAD) CASES
	512 - LEMON LAW
	604 - MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

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# eCourts – Attorney/Court Officer Release Notes 02.02.2024

(All)

	Party numbers have been added to the case jacket view for all party types. They are visible under the Plaintiffs, Defendants, and Other tabs in the case jacket. Click <a href="#">here</a> for screenshots.
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## Party Number in Case Jacket

### Plaintiffs tab

Docket Number: ATL DC 000003 - 23

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Case Caption: Abc Llc Vs Xyz Llc  
Court: Special Civil Part  
Case Type: Contract Dispute  
Case Track:  
Case Disposition: Open

Venue: Atlantic  
Case Status: Active  
Judge:  
Statewide Lien:

Case Initiation Date: 01/04/2023  
Demand Amount: \$100.00  
Jury Demand: None

Age: 01 YR 00 MO  
Disposition Date:

Plaintiffs (2) Defendants (3) Other (2) Case Proceedings (3) Judgments (3) ACMS Documents (36) Writs (5) Fees (32)

- ▶ Abc Llc (Party No. 1)
- ▶ Cvs (Party No. 3)

### Defendants tab

Docket Number: ATL DC 000003 - 23

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Case Caption: Abc Llc Vs Xyz Llc  
Court: Special Civil Part  
Case Type: Contract Dispute  
Case Track:  
Case Disposition: Open

Venue: Atlantic  
Case Status: Active  
Judge:  
Statewide Lien:

Case Initiation Date: 01/04/2023  
Demand Amount: \$100.00  
Jury Demand: None

Age: 01 YR 00 MO  
Disposition Date:

Plaintiffs (2) Defendants (3) Other (2) Case Proceedings (3) Judgments (3) ACMS Documents (36) Writs (5) Fees (32)

- ▶ Xyz Llc (Party No. 2)
- ▶ Sam (Party No. 4)
- ▶ New Defendant (Party No. 5)

### Other tab

Docket Number: ATL DC 000003 - 23

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Case Caption: Abc Llc Vs Xyz Llc  
Court: Special Civil Part  
Case Type: Contract Dispute  
Case Track:  
Case Disposition: Open

Venue: Atlantic  
Case Status: Active  
Judge:  
Statewide Lien:

Case Initiation Date: 01/04/2023  
Demand Amount: \$100.00  
Jury Demand: None

Age: 01 YR 00 MO  
Disposition Date:

Plaintiffs (2) Defendants (3) Other (2) Case Proceedings (3) Judgments (3) ACMS Documents (36) Writs (5) Fees (32)


- ▶ Test Entity (Party No. 6)
- ▶ Wells Fargo (Party No. 7)

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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 01.26.2024


(DC)

	When filing a Request for Execution Against Goods and Chattels, filers will be required to add at least one entity in possession of asset before submitting the filing.
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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 12.15.2023

### (All Courts)

	<p>A “session expired/logout” error displayed when attempting to download documents via the transaction ID link in eCourts notification emails. This issue has been fixed.</p> <p>Users can resume downloading documents from the transaction ID link in notification emails.</p>
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### (DC – Bulk Filing)

	<p>A bug in the 12/8/23 release caused the bulk filing webservice to reject filings with demand amounts that exceeded \$15,000. The maximum threshold has been adjusted to the correct amount - \$20,000.</p>
	<p>MedicalDebtClaim field has been added to the bulk filing webservice for DC.</p>


# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 12.08.2023

### (All Courts)

	<p>Filers can designate any attachment as “Confidential” when uploading documents in eCourts and must select the appropriate court rule as the restriction reason. Medical records and some name change documents will continue to be marked as confidential by the system automatically. See <a href="#">user guide</a> for more information.</p>
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### (L/DC)

	<p>A Notice to the Bar is forthcoming regarding medical debt claims when filing complaints in Civil Law. In preparation for this change, a new Medical Debt Claim indicator has been added to eCourts when filing complaints for L and will be added to the Case Information Statement accordingly. This indicator <u>will also</u> be available as a new field for DC dockets.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Bulk Filers will need to adjust their filings to include this new field. Click <a href="#">here</a> for screenshots.</p>
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# Medical Debt Claim

## L case initiation

**Enter Case Details**

\*Select Initiating Document:

\*Select Case Type:

Law Firm Case ID:

\*Jury Demand:

Please check off each applicable category: Putative Class Action  Title 59  **Medical Debt Claim**

\*Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?  Yes  No

\*Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?  Yes  No

**Enter Case Details**

\*Select Initiating Document:

\*Select Case Type:

Law Firm Case ID:

Please check off each applicable category: **Medical Debt Claim**

\*Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?  Yes  No

\*Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?  Yes  No

## DC case initiation

**Enter Case Details**

\* Select Action:

\* Enter Demand Amount:   
Ex. 10000.00

Attorney's Fees:

\* Jury Demand:

\* Select Service Method:

Law Firm Case ID:

\* Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?  Yes  No

**\* Medical Debt Claim?  Yes  No**

Complete this field to accommodate the assignees as defined in Rule 6:3-2. Must be a proper case caption. If this field is populated, the content of this field will be placed as the plaintiff caption on the Summons.

Plaintiff Caption:

Complete this field to accommodate the assignees as defined in Rule 6:3-2. Must be a proper case caption. If this field is populated, the content of this field will be placed as the defendant caption on the Summons.

Defendant Caption:

**Enter Case Details**

\* Select Action:

Enter Demand Amount:   
Ex. 10000.00

Attorney's Fees:

Law Firm Case ID:

\* Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?  Yes  No

**\* Medical Debt Claim?  Yes  No**


\* Requested relief:  
(Max 1,000 Characters)

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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

## 10.27.2023



(DC/L)

	<p>If a filing includes a restoration fee and the filer selects the filing fee exemption checkbox, the system will waive any restoration fees for all exemption reasons. Previously, the system would only waive the filing fee, now both the filing fee and restoration fee will be waived.</p>
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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

09.22.2023


(LT)

	The revised LT Procedures document will automatically attach to LT complaints that are filed in eCourts. This attachment will be available in the case jacket.
	When filing an LT complaint for any case type, three new attachments will be listed on the “Upload Required Documents” screen – Certification of Lease and Registration Statement, Lease, and Registration Statement. All of these attachments will be <i>optional</i> . Click <a href="#">here</a> for a screenshot.

## LT Complaint – New Optional Attachments

When filing an LT complaint for any case type, three new attachments will be listed on the “Upload Required Documents” screen - Certification of Lease and Registration Statement, Lease, and Registration Statement. All of these attachments will be *optional*.

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### Upload Required Documents

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**Case Details:** ▶ **Case Type:** COMMERCIAL HOLDOVER NON-PAYMENT







**Plaintiff(s)** ▶

**Defendant(s)** ▶

**Upload Required Documents** ▼

To upload documents please accept the following:

- I certify that I have redacted all confidential personal identifiers from all documents included in this electronic submission pursuant to Rule 1:38-7, unless otherwise required by statute, rule, administrative directive or court order.
- I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
* Complaint	Complaint	PUBLIC	 <input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen
Holdover Notice(s)	Holdover Notice(s)	PUBLIC	 <input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen
Certification of Lease and Registration Statement	Certification of Lease and Registration Statement	PUBLIC	 <input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen
Lease	Lease	PUBLIC	 <input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen
Registration Statement	Registration Statement	PUBLIC	 <input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen
			

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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

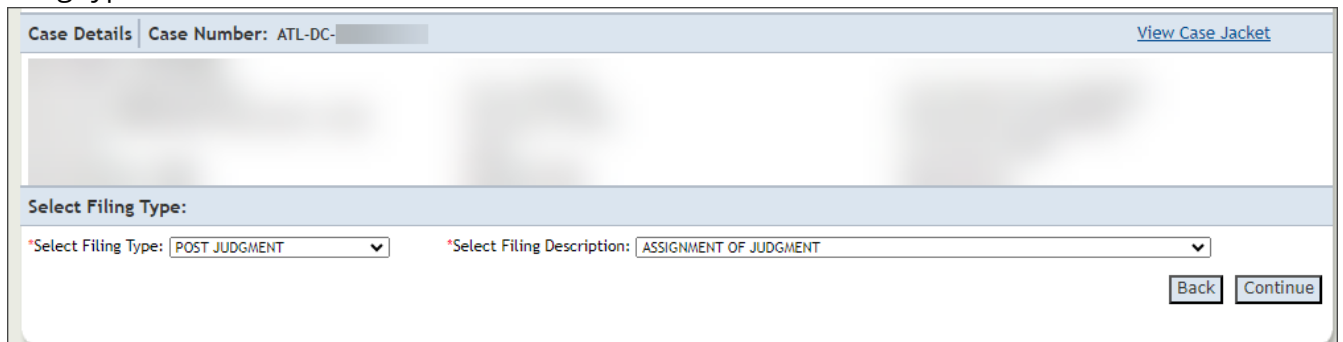
## 08.04.2023

### (Special Civil Part - DC)

<b>New</b>	"Assignment of Judgment" has been added under the Post Judgment Filing Type category for DC dockets. For more information and a screenshot, click <a href="#">here</a> .
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### *Assignment of Judgment*

Available to attorneys for L dockets and now DC dockets as well under the Post Judgment filing type in eCourts.



The screenshot shows a web interface for filing a document. At the top, it says "Case Details" and "Case Number: ATL-DC- [redacted]". There is a link "View Case Jacket" in the top right. Below this is a large, blurred area. Underneath, there is a section titled "Select Filing Type:". It contains two dropdown menus: "\*Select Filing Type:" with "POST JUDGMENT" selected, and "\*Select Filing Description:" with "ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGMENT" selected. At the bottom right of this section are two buttons: "Back" and "Continue".

# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

06/11/2023

## (eCourts – Civil Part)

New

When submitting a complaint, a new MCL case type has been added: Pinnacle Metal-on-Metal (MoM) Hip Implants (639)

# Civil Search–Mediator Search Release Notes

02/17/2023

(Civil Mediator search)

While searching for a mediator, if entered, the mediators email will now return within the search results.

New

Judiciary Civil Search

Civil Search

Mediator Search

Motion

Enter Search Criteria

County:

Mediator Last Name:

Hourly Fee:

From  To

Search
Reset

Mediator Detail

Name: JOHN R SMITH      Mediator ID: 1234567891

Address: 20 EAST MAIN STREET  
TRENTON, NJ-09989-0000      HourlyFee: 123.0

Phone Number: (732) 919-0921      Fax Number: (000) 000-0000

Email: SMITH@NJCOURTS.GOV

Profile: RESUME NOTES TO BE DISPLAYED.

Area Of Expertise:

CIVIL RIGHTS

FORFEITURE

NAME CHANGE

Counties Where Mediator Practices:

ATLANTIC

BERGEN

BURLINGTON

ESSEX

Close

Mediator Search Results



Name

JOHN R SMITH

ID#: 1234567891

# Civil – Attorney Release Notes – 01.27.23

## (Special Civil Part - LT)

	<p>When submitting LT complaints, filers can now include a personal address for defendant parties, which will then be served via Certified/Regular Mail.</p> <p>For more information regarding the LT complaint filing process, please consult the following <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a>.</p>
	<p>When the Warrant of Removal is issued on a residential case, a copy will be sent and available in the case jacket in eCourts and electronic parties will be notified.</p>



# Civil eCourts – Attorney Release Notes – 01.22.23

(Special Civil Part – LT)

**Enhanced**

Under the Miscellaneous Documents Filing Type, the description for “CONSENT TO ENTER JUDGMENT-PAY AND STAY” has been re-labelled as “SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT (TENANT TO STAY IN PREMISES)”

Select Document Type

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**Case Details** Case Number: HNT-LT-000004-23 [View Case Jacket](#)

Case Caption: CRESTWOOD APARTMENT VS HYNES JACOB

Court Type: Special Civil Part Section: Landlord Tenant	Venue: HUNTERDON	Case Initiation Date: 01/17/2023
Case Type: RESIDENTIAL HOLDOVER	Case Status: ACTIVE	Demand Amount: \$0.00
Case Track:	Judge:	Jury Demand: NONE
Case Disposition: OPEN	Disposition Date:	Statewide Lien:

Select Filing Type:

\*Select Filing Type: MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS ▾ \*Select Filing Description: SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT(TENANT TO STAY IN PREMISES) ▾

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# ACMS/Civil – Attorney Civil Release Notes – 12.09.22

(All)

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>New</b></p>	<p>For the below notices, if the case is impounded in ACMS, the notice will be manually mailed by court staff.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>1. ACMS0126A.ALL</td> <td>LAW DISMISSAL WARNING - MAIL</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. ACMS0126B.ALL</td> <td>LAW DISMISSAL WARNING - NO MAIL</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. ACMS0126C.ALL</td> <td>LAW DISMISSAL ORDER - MAIL</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4. ACMS0126D.ALL</td> <td>LAW DISMISSAL ORDER - NO MAIL</td> </tr> </table>	1. ACMS0126A.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL WARNING - MAIL	2. ACMS0126B.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL WARNING - NO MAIL	3. ACMS0126C.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL ORDER - MAIL	4. ACMS0126D.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL ORDER - NO MAIL
1. ACMS0126A.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL WARNING - MAIL								
2. ACMS0126B.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL WARNING - NO MAIL								
3. ACMS0126C.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL ORDER - MAIL								
4. ACMS0126D.ALL	LAW DISMISSAL ORDER - NO MAIL								
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Removed</b></p>	<p>The following MCL case types are concluded and have been removed as options in eCourts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Risperdal/Seroquel/ Zyprexa (case type 274)</li> <li>2. Levaquin (case type 286)</li> <li>3. Reglan (case type 289)</li> <li>4. AlloDerm Regenerative Tissue Matrix (case type 295)</li> <li>5. Mirena Contraceptive Device (case type 297)</li> <li>6. Propecia (case type 623)</li> <li>7. Accutane (case type 271)</li> <li>8. Bristol-Myers Squibb Environmental (case type 281)</li> </ol>								

# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

## 11/10/2022




(Special Civil)

New


For the DC docket type, for external eFilers, under the SCCO Post Judgment filing type, "RETURN WRIT SATISFIED - DJ" has been relabeled to "RETURN WRIT - DJ".

# eCourts – Attorney Civil Release Notes – 09.16.22

## (Special Civil Part – LT)

	<p>For residential case types, a “Request for Warrant of Removal” option has been added under the Post Judgment filing type.</p>  <p><b>Note:</b> Upon initial submission, the filing will not immediately appear in the case jacket. The document will display only after court staff have reviewed and assigned a court officer to serve the warrant.</p>
	<p>Users can now submit “Limited Appearance” filings on behalf of either plaintiff or defendant parties.</p>

## (Special Civil Part – DC)

	<p>For DC related filings, users will now have the ability to add “Medical, Psych, Alcohol/Drug Records” as an optional attachment. This attachment will be designated as a “Confidential” record and only court staff and the attorney/party of record on the case will be able to view the document from the case jacket.</p>
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**Upload Required Documents**

To upload documents please accept the following:

- I certify that I have redacted all confidential personal identifiers from all documents included in this electronic submission pursuant to Rule 1:38-7, unless otherwise required by statute, rule, administrative directive or court order.

	Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
	* CERTIFICATION	CERTIFICATION	PUBLIC	Browse... No file selected.
	* <b>Medical, Psych, Alcohol/Drug Records</b>	Medical, Psych, Alcohol/Drug Records	CONFIDENTIAL	Browse... No file selected.

Back Submit

## (Civil Part - L)

<p><b>New</b></p>	<p>When filing a "Request for Adjournment" document, users will now have the option to utilize system generated templates. For more information, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a>.</p>
<p><b>Enhanced</b></p>	<p>The label for "Medical Records" has been updated to display as "Medical, Psych, Alcohol/Drug Records."</p>

## (Foreclosure)

<p><b>New</b></p>	<p>When submitting a Residential Mortgage Foreclosure complaint, users will now be required to attach a "Certification of Diligent Inquiry" with their filing.</p>
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### Upload Required Documents

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**Case Details:** ▶ **Case Type:** RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

**Plaintiff(s)** ▶

**Defendant(s)** ▶

**Property (s)** ▶

**Upload Required Documents** ▼

To upload documents please accept the following:

I certify that I have redacted all confidential personal identifiers from all documents included in this electronic submission pursuant to Rule 1:38-7, unless otherwise required by statute, rule, administrative directive or court order.

	Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
	* Complaint	<a href="#">Complaint</a>	PUBLIC	C311674MOTION6MONTHS3.pdf
	* Certification of Diligent Inquiry	<a href="#">Certification of Diligent Inquiry</a>	PUBLIC	ZAFAR MASOOD MANALAPAN TOWNSHIP.pdf

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# eCourts – Attorney Civil Release Notes – 08.07.22

## (Special Civil Part – DC/LT)

New

“Mileage Fees” will now be re-labeled as “CO Service Fees” where applicable throughout the system.

**Fees** ▾

I certify that I am exempt from the fee charge associated with this filing.

Filing Fee: \$50.00	*Select Payment Method: Collateral Account ▾
CO Service Fee: \$7.00	*Select Account Number: 2065 ▾
Total: \$57.00	Attorney Client Reference Number: <input type="text"/>

## (Civil Part - L)

New

For all Law related filings, users will now have the ability to add “Medical Records” as an optional attachment. This attachment will be designated as a “Confidential” record and only court staff and the attorney/party of record on the case will be able to view the document from the case jacket.

**Upload Required Documents**

	Document Name	Document Description	Access Restriction	File Name
🗑️	* Certification	Certification	PUBLIC ▾	PDF ECM TEST DOC.pdf
+	* <input type="text"/>	* <input type="text"/>	PUBLIC ▾	Choose File No file chosen

- Affidavit
- Affidavit of Indigency
- Brief
- Certification
- Exhibit
- Medical Records
- Miscellaneous
- Order to Show Cause


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**Upload Required Documents**

	Document Name	Document Description	Access Restriction	File Name
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# Notices– Civil and Foreclosure Attorney Release Notes 07/31/2022

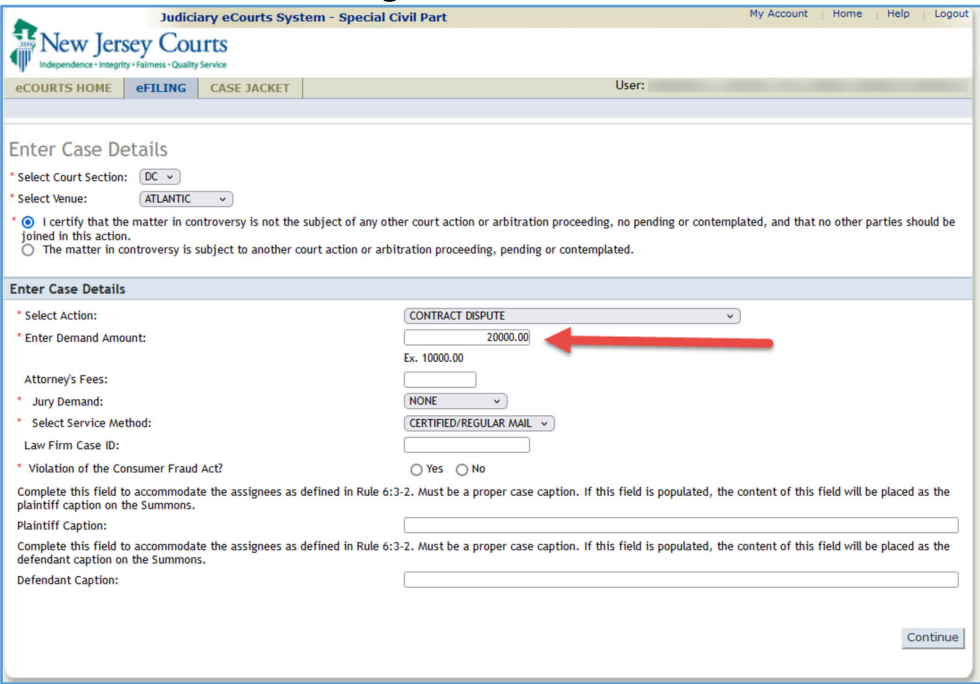
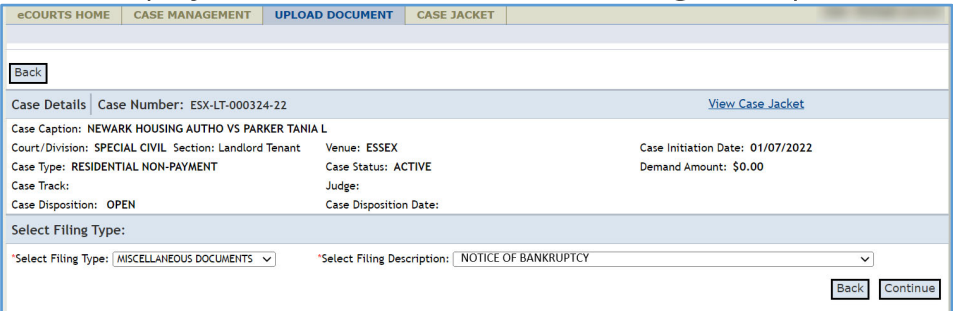
## (Notices)

	<p>For the below notices, for any BAR ID association to a party, notices will be sent electronically via email. When no BAR ID for a party exists, the notice will be manually mailed by court staff.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. ACMS0141 &amp; ACMS0143 – Foreclosure Answer/Objection Notices</li><li>2. ACMS0142, ACMS0130 &amp; ACMS0130A – Foreclosure Mediation Notices</li><li>3. ACMS0144 &amp; ACMS0144A – Foreclosure Judgment/Writ Notices</li><li>4. ACMS0108.ALL, ACMS0108A.ALL &amp; ACMS0109.ALL – Scheduling/Proceeding Notices for F, L and C dockets</li><li>5. ACMS0111, ACMS0111A, ACMS0112 &amp; ACMS0112A - SCP Postcards for scheduling, judgment, execution, etc. notices for DC, SC, and LT</li></ol>
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# eCourts – Attorney Civil Release Notes – 07.01.22

## (Special Civil Part)

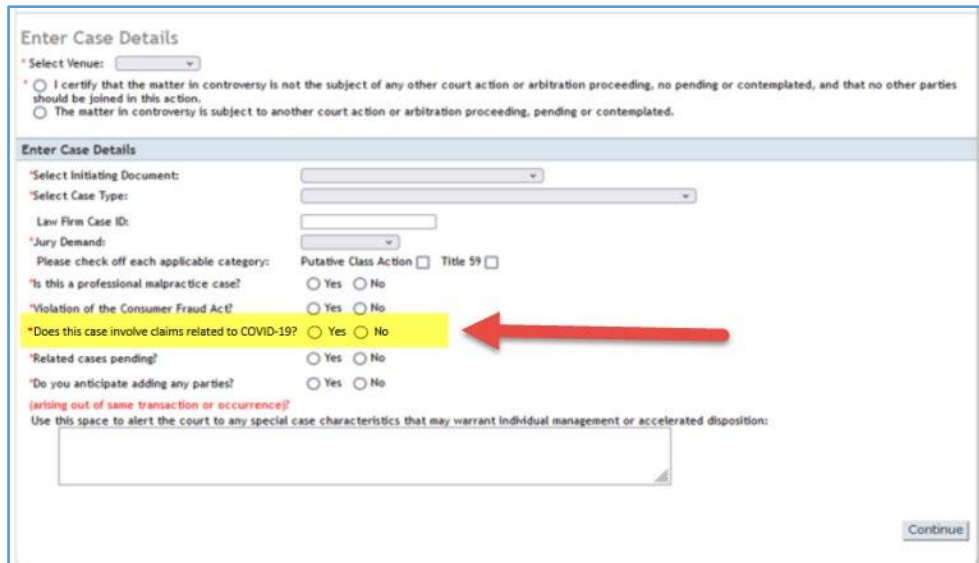
<p style="text-align: center; background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: auto;">New</p>	<p>Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, the SCP jurisdictional limits will be increased, with the Small Claims (SC) limit increasing from \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 and the DC limit increasing from \$15,000.00 to \$20,000.00.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows the 'Enter Case Details' form with the following fields and values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select Court Section: DC</li> <li>Select Venue: ATLANTIC</li> <li>Select Action: CONTRACT DISPUTE</li> <li>Enter Demand Amount: 20000.00 (indicated by a red arrow)</li> <li>Jury Demand: NONE</li> <li>Select Service Method: CERTIFIED/REGULAR MAIL</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center; background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: auto;">New</p>	<p>For LT, under the “Miscellaneous Documents” Filing Type, “Notice of Bankruptcy” has been added as a new Filing Description.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows the 'Upload Document' page with the following details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Case Number: ESX-LT-000324-22</li> <li>Case Caption: NEWARK HOUSING AUTHO VS PARKER TANIA L</li> <li>Case Type: RESIDENTIAL NON-PAYMENT</li> <li>Select Filing Type: MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS</li> <li>Select Filing Description: NOTICE OF BANKRUPTCY</li> </ul>

# eCourts – Attorneys Civil Release Notes – 05.02.22

(Civil Part)

When submitting a new Law complaint or answer, there will be an additional question displayed on the system generated Case Information Statement: Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?

Enhanced



**Enter Case Details**

\* Select Venue:

\*  I certify that the matter in controversy is not the subject of any other court action or arbitration proceeding, no pending or contemplated, and that no other parties should be joined in this action.  
 The matter in controversy is subject to another court action or arbitration proceeding, pending or contemplated.

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**Enter Case Details**

\* Select Initiating Document:

\* Select Case Type:

Law Firm Case ID:

\* Jury Demand:

Please check off each applicable category: Putative Class Action  Title 59

\* Is this a professional malpractice case?  Yes  No

\* Violation of the Consumer Fraud Act?  Yes  No

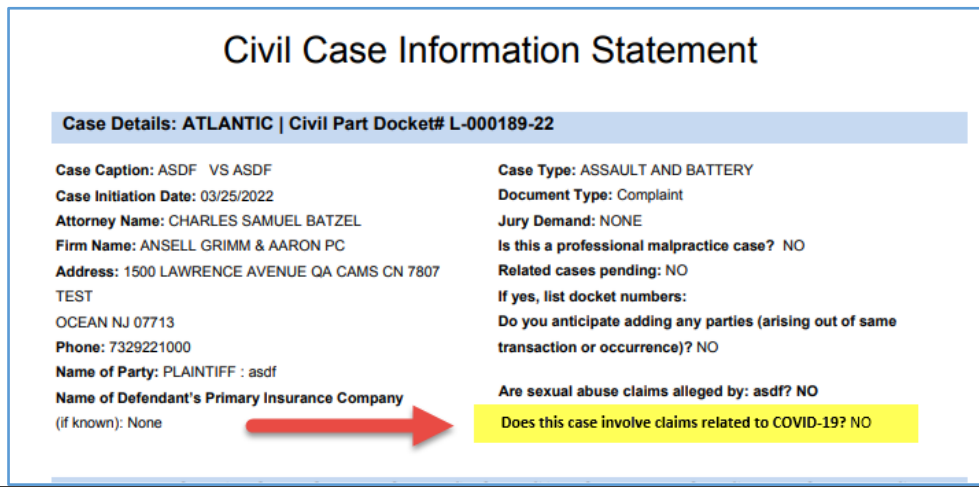
\* Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?  Yes  No

\* Related cases pending?  Yes  No

\* Do you anticipate adding any parties?  Yes  No

(arising out of same transaction or occurrence?)

Use this space to alert the court to any special case characteristics that may warrant individual management or accelerated disposition:



## Civil Case Information Statement

**Case Details: ATLANTIC | Civil Part Docket# L-000189-22**

<p><b>Case Caption:</b> ASDF VS ASDF</p> <p><b>Case Initiation Date:</b> 03/25/2022</p> <p><b>Attorney Name:</b> CHARLES SAMUEL BATZEL</p> <p><b>Firm Name:</b> ANSELL GRIMM &amp; AARON PC</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 1500 LAWRENCE AVENUE QA CAMS CN 7807 TEST OCEAN NJ 07713 <b>Phone:</b> 7329221000</p> <p><b>Name of Party:</b> PLAINTIFF : asdf</p> <p><b>Name of Defendant's Primary Insurance Company</b> (if known): None</p>	<p><b>Case Type:</b> ASSAULT AND BATTERY</p> <p><b>Document Type:</b> Complaint</p> <p><b>Jury Demand:</b> NONE</p> <p><b>Is this a professional malpractice case?</b> NO</p> <p><b>Related cases pending:</b> NO</p> <p><b>If yes, list docket numbers:</b></p> <p><b>Do you anticipate adding any parties (arising out of same transaction or occurrence)?</b> NO</p> <p><b>Are sexual abuse claims alleged by: asdf?</b> NO</p> <p><b>Does this case involve claims related to COVID-19?</b> NO</p>
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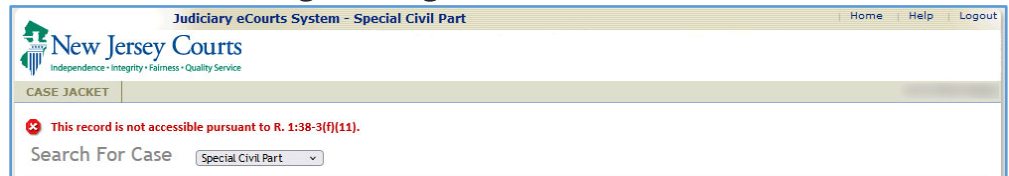
## (Special Civil Part)

Enhanced

Access to LT cases via [EAP](#), [PAR](#) or the eCourts Case Jacket will be restricted to only the attorney/firm/party of record if any of the following criteria are met:

1. A Judgment for Possession has been filed on the case, but the Filed Date of the JFP is greater than 7 years from the current date.
2. The case has a "Dismissed" status and a Judgment for Possession has NOT been filed.
3. The case has a "Settled" status and a Judgment for Possession has NOT been filed.
4. A Disposition Order - Tenant Prevails is entered on the case.

If an ineligible user attempts to access the case jacket, they will receive the following message:



Note: Existing restrictions regarding COVID-19 related LT filings will remain in place.

# eCourts – Attorneys Civil Release Notes – 04.01.22

## (Special Civil Part)

Enhanced





The Service Due Date/Default Date calculation for Certified/Regular Mail service on Special Civil Part cases has been updated. Beginning on April 1<sup>st</sup>, the system will now include an additional 5 days (previously only 3 days were added) into the calculation to fall into accordance with the new delivery guidelines promulgated by the United States Postal Service.

# eCourts – Case Management Civil Release Notes – 03.21.22

(All Courts)

New

Attorneys will now be able to have designees submit filings through eCourts on their behalf. The filing will appear in the same manner as if it were submitted directly by the attorney themselves, with the exception that the designee’s ESSO ID will be captured in the “Entered By” column in the Case Jacket:

Case Actions					
Filed Date	Filings	Docket Text	Transaction ID	Entry Date	Entered By
03/16/2022	 	CONSENT ORDER submitted by BATZEL, CHARLES, SAMUEL of ANSELL GRIMM & AARON PC on behalf of WILLIAM GONSALEZ against OSY BUSINESS CORP LTD.	SCP202215351	03/16/2022	029262010
03/16/2022	 	CONSENT ORDER submitted by BATZEL, CHARLES, SAMUEL of ANSELL GRIMM & AARON PC on behalf of WILLIAM GONSALEZ against OSY BUSINESS CORP LTD.	SCP202215353	03/16/2022	newprose413

# eCourts –Attorney Release Notes

2/18/2022

(eCourts – Civil Part)


New

When submitting a complaint, a new MCL case type has been added:  
Elmiron(638).

# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

12/10/2021


(Special Civil - LT)

	<p>The case jacket access restrictions applied to LT cases related to nonpayment or habitually late payment of rent between March 9, 2020 and August 3, 2021 have been adjusted. Going forward, the attorney of record on the case in addition to any other attorney in that same firm will be able to view the details of the case jacket.</p>
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# eCourts – Attorney Release Notes

12/01/2021

(Special Civil - LT)

	<p>All LT cases related to nonpayment or habitually late payment of rent between March 9, 2020 and August 3, 2021 will be suppressed within the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• eCourts Case Jacket</li><li>• Judiciary's Electronic Access Program (<a href="#">EAP</a>)</li><li>• Judiciary's Public Access Reports (<a href="#">PAR</a>)</li></ul> <p>Only internal court staff and the attorney/party of record on the case will be able to access the documents from the eCourts Case Jacket.</p>
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# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

11/05/2021

## (Special Civil - LT)

<b>New</b>	The following miscellaneous document types have been added to eCourts: Brief, Correspondence and Deficiency Correction.
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## (Civil)

<b>New</b>	When submitting a complaint, a new MCL case type has been added: Strattice Hernia Mesh (636).
<b>Removed</b>	When submitting an adjournment request, the option to have the system create a template version of the form has been temporarily removed from the system.

# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

10/08/2021


(Civil)

	All Name Changes cases filed on or after 09/01/2021 will be suppressed from the Judiciary's Electronic Access Program ( <a href="#">EAP</a> ) and from the Judiciary's <a href="#">Public Access Reports</a> .
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# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

10/04/2021

(Civil)

	All Name Changes cases filed on or after 09/01/2021 will be suppressed within the eCourts Case Jacket. Only internal court staff and the attorney(s) of record on the case will be able to access the documents.
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# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

09/17/2021

## (Special Civil Part - LT)

New

Attorney filers will now be able to submit all of their LT non-complaint filings through eCourts. For the full list of document types currently available, please consult the [eCourts - LT eFiling Options guide](#).

## (General Equity - C)

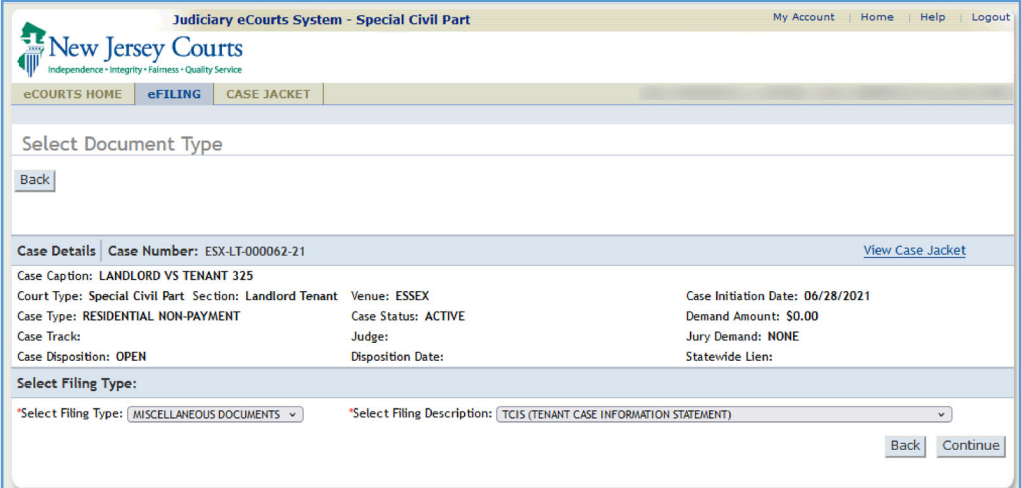
New

All Chancery ACMS Notices will now be automatically stored to the corresponding case jacket in eCourts.

# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

09/10/2021

(Special Civil Part - LT)

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>New</b></p>	<p>Attorney filers will now be able to submit their LT complaints directly through eCourts. For more information, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a>.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>New</b></p>	<p>Attorney filers will now be able to submit their TCIS (Tenant Case Information Statements) filings directly through eCourts. For more information, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a>.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows the 'Judiciary eCourts System - Special Civil Part' interface. At the top, there are navigation links for 'My Account', 'Home', 'Help', and 'Logout'. Below the New Jersey Courts logo, there are tabs for 'eCOURTS HOME', 'eFILING', and 'CASE JACKET'. The main content area is titled 'Select Document Type' and includes a 'Back' button. Below this is a 'Case Details' section for Case Number ESX-LT-000062-21, with a 'View Case Jacket' link. The case details include: Case Caption: LANDLORD VS TENANT 325; Court Type: Special Civil Part Section: Landlord Tenant; Venue: ESSEX; Case Type: RESIDENTIAL NON-PAYMENT; Case Status: ACTIVE; Case Initiation Date: 06/28/2021; Case Track: Case Disposition: OPEN; Demand Amount: \$0.00; Judge: Jury Demand: NONE; Disposition Date: Statewide Lien: At the bottom, there are two dropdown menus: '*Select Filing Type:' (set to 'MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS') and '*Select Filing Description:' (set to 'TCIS (TENANT CASE INFORMATION STATEMENT)'). There are 'Back' and 'Continue' buttons at the bottom right.</p>

(Special Civil Part - DC)

For DC filings, the Mileage Fee will be set to a pre-fixed amount of \$7.00 where applicable.

New

	Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
	* APPLICATION FOR WAGE EXECUTION	APPLICATION FOR WAGE EXECUTION	PUBLIC	Browse... No file selected.
	Copy of Notice of Application for Wage Execution to Debtor	Copy of Notice of Application for Wage Execution to Debtor	PUBLIC	Browse... No file selected.
	Proof of Service	Proof of Service	PUBLIC	Browse... No file selected.
	Certification of Mailing	Certification of Mailing	PUBLIC	Browse... No file selected.
	Interest Calculations	Interest Calculations	PUBLIC	Browse... No file selected.

Fee

I certify that I am exempt from the fee charge associated with this filing.

Filing Fee: \$ 35.00

Mileage Fee: \$ 7.00

Total: \$ 42.00

\*Select Payment Method:

Collateral Account

\*Enter Account Number:

Attorney Client Reference Number:

View Draft Wage Execution


Back

Submit

# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

08/06/2021

(Special Civil Part - DC)

	<p>A new Case Action is available for DC, UNPAID RENT COLLECTION – COVID which allows a demand amount above 15k.</p>
	<div data-bbox="293 684 1539 1024"><h3>Enter Case Details</h3><p>* Select Court Section: <input type="text" value="DC"/></p><p>* Select Venue: <input type="text" value="ATLANTIC"/></p><p>* <input checked="" type="radio"/> I certify that the matter in controversy is not the subject of any other court action or arbitration proceeding, no pending or contemplated, and that no other parties should be joined in this action. <input type="radio"/> The matter in controversy is subject to another court action or arbitration proceeding, pending or contemplated.</p><hr/><h3>Enter Case Details</h3><p>* Select Action: <input type="text" value="UNPAID RENT COLLECTION - COVID"/></p><p>* Enter Demand Amount: <input type="text" value="19356.00"/> Ex. 10000.00</p><p>Attorney's Fees: <input type="text"/></p></div>

# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

07/23/2021

(Special Civil Part - LT)

New

Attorneys will now be able to submit a LCIS (Landlord Case Information Statements) through eCourts. For more information, please consult the Quick Reference Guide.



# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

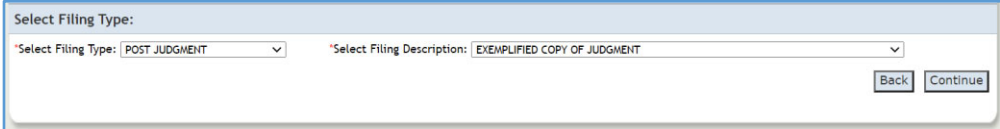
05/21/2021

(Civil Part)

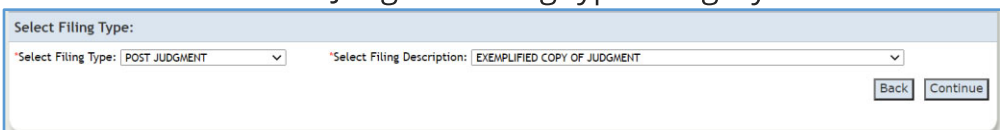
<p style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">New</p>	<p>When submitting a Motion in Limine, the filing fee of \$50.00 has been removed and no charge will be applied for this motion type.</p>		
<p style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">New</p>	<p>The following options have been added under the SCCO filing type category:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CONSENT ORDER TO PAY - J</li> <li>LETTER TO VOID JUDGMENT - J</li> <li>MISCELLANEOUS ORDER - J</li> <li>NOTICE OF APPEARANCE - J</li> <li>ORDER TO AMEND - J</li> <li>ORDER TO DISCHARGE BANKRUPTCY - J</li> <li>ORDER TO REINSTATE - J</li> <li>ORDER TO REVIVE - J</li> <li>ORDER TO SATISFY - J</li> <li>ORDER TO VACATE - J</li> <li>RELEASES - J</li> <li>SUBSTITUTION OF ATTORNEY - J</li> </ul> <div data-bbox="407 1339 1421 1766" style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 10px; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>Select Document Type</p> <p><input type="button" value="Back"/></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>Case Details</b>   Case Number: ATL-L-000014-21</p> <p>Case Caption: PENA MARY VS ETHICON, INC.</p> <p>Court Type: Civil Part</p> <p>Case Type: PROCEED MESH/PATCH</p> <p>Case Track: 4</p> <p># of Discovery Days: 571</p> <p>Original Discovery End Date: 05/05/2022</p> <p>Original Arbitration Date:</p> <p>Original Trial Date:</p> <p>Case Disposition: OPEN</p> <p>Select Filing Type: <input type="text" value="SCCO"/></p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Venue: ATLANTIC</p> <p>Case Status: ACTIVE</p> <p>Judge: PORTO, JOHN, C</p> <p>Age of Case: 00 YR 04 M</p> <p>Current Discovery End Date:</p> <p>Current Arbitration Date:</p> <p>Current Trial Date:</p> <p>Disposition Date:</p> <p>Select Filing Description: <input type="text" value="CONSENT ORDER TO PAY - J"/></p> </td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Continue"/></p> </div>	<p><b>Case Details</b>   Case Number: ATL-L-000014-21</p> <p>Case Caption: PENA MARY VS ETHICON, INC.</p> <p>Court Type: Civil Part</p> <p>Case Type: PROCEED MESH/PATCH</p> <p>Case Track: 4</p> <p># of Discovery Days: 571</p> <p>Original Discovery End Date: 05/05/2022</p> <p>Original Arbitration Date:</p> <p>Original Trial Date:</p> <p>Case Disposition: OPEN</p> <p>Select Filing Type: <input type="text" value="SCCO"/></p>	<p>Venue: ATLANTIC</p> <p>Case Status: ACTIVE</p> <p>Judge: PORTO, JOHN, C</p> <p>Age of Case: 00 YR 04 M</p> <p>Current Discovery End Date:</p> <p>Current Arbitration Date:</p> <p>Current Trial Date:</p> <p>Disposition Date:</p> <p>Select Filing Description: <input type="text" value="CONSENT ORDER TO PAY - J"/></p>
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<p style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">New</p>	<p>When submitting a Notice of Settlement, the system will now offer to create a template version of the document for the filer. For more information, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a>.</p>		

<b>New</b>	When submitting an Adjournment Request, the system will now offer to create a template version of the document for the filer. For more information, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a> .
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### (Special Civil Part)

<b>New</b>	A new filing option for Exemplified Copy of Judgment has been added under the Post Judgment filing type category. 
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### (Foreclosure)

<b>New</b>	A new filing option for Exemplified Copy of Judgment has been added under the Post Judgment filing type category. 
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# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

03/19/2021

## (Civil Part)

	<p>For the L docket, Motion To Dismiss Complaint, Failure to State Claim has been reinstated as an available motion type.</p> <div data-bbox="428 667 1414 800"><p>Select Filing Type:</p><p>*Select Filing Type: <input type="text" value="MOTION"/> *Select Filing Description: <input type="text" value="MOTION TO DISMISS COMPLAINT, FAILURE TO STATE CLAIM"/></p><p><input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Continue"/></p></div>
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## (Special Civil Part)

	<p>For the DC docket, Motion To Dismiss Complaint, Failure to State Claim has been reinstated as an available motion type.</p> <div data-bbox="428 1104 1414 1236"><p>Select Filing Type:</p><p>*Select Filing Type: <input type="text" value="MOTION"/> *Select Filing Description: <input type="text" value="MOTION TO DISMISS COMPLAINT, FAILURE TO STATE CLAIM"/></p><p><input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Continue"/></p></div>
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# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

02/12/2021


## (All Courts)

	<p>In order to accommodate the need to electronically schedule remote court events and electronic notifications of remote court events, enhancements to the mainframe and web-based systems have been made. As a part of this, in addition to remote, phone, and video, court staff can now enter "PAPER" in the Court Room Number field.</p>
	<p>As a result of the change mentioned above, the notification system has also been enhanced to include the "PAPER" option. If court staff select "PAPER" while scheduling, the ensuing notification is going to display the proceeding docket text accordingly.</p>

## (General Equity - Chancery)

	<p>Notifications generated from backloaded Chancery filings previously identified the court as Special Civil Part. This has been corrected and now properly references the court as General Equity – Chancery division.</p>
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## (Special Civil Part)

	<p>When submitting a new DC complaint, the system will now validate and prevent the filer from inputting a combination of demand amount and attorney fees that exceeds 15K.</p>
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Enter Case Details

\* Select Court Section:  ▾


\* Select Venue:  ▾

\*  I certify that the matter in controversy is not the subject of any other court action or arbitration proceeding, no pending or contemplated, and that no other parties should be joined in this action.


\*  The matter in controversy is subject to another court action or arbitration proceeding, pending or contemplated.

Enter Case Details

\* Select Action:  ▾

\* Enter Demand Amount:  

Ex. 10000.00


Attorney's Fees:  

\* Jury Demand:  ▾

# eCourts – Foreclosure Attorney Release Notes

12/18/2020



(Foreclosure)

	During efilng of Foreclosure cases, 'City' is now a required field when adding a property.
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# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

09/18/2020

(All Courts)

	The standard notification process for eCourts will now include notices to the party email address, if available.
	When adding a new party, the party affiliation options available to the user will now be in alignment with the party description of “Individual” or “Business” that was previously selected.

# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

## 09/01/2020

### (Special Civil Part)

<b>New</b>	A new wage execution template form will be utilized by eCourts, when submitting applications for wage executions.
<b>New</b>	Under the “Post Judgment” filing type, a new document description is now available for “Request to Amend Writ” filings.

# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

## 08/07/2020

(All Courts)

New


When adding new parties during complaint and non-complaint filings, an additional field will now display on the “Add Party” pop-up that will allow the filer to input the party’s email address.



# eCourts – Civil and Foreclosure Attorney Release Notes

5/18/2020


## (All Courts)

	Various defects have been fixed, which will lead to an improved user experience.
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## (Special Civil Part)

	When a writ or wage is stored to the Case Jacket, the Court Officer assignment is included in the docket text.
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## (Civil Part)

	Two Sexual Abuse Claim questions “Plaintiff’s date of birth” and “Est. date of first incident of abuse” have been added as additional fields, when a user selects “Yes” to Are Sexual Abuse Claims Alleged?”. These fields are available on the complaint and answer filings
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## (Foreclosure)

	<p>In Foreclosure users now have the ability to file the following Motion types and the respective Motion Responses (cross-motions).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Motion to Strike Answer Complaint Accepted (M61)</li><li>Motion to Strike Answer for Failure to Answer Interrogatories (MB4)</li><li>Motion to Strike Answer and Suppress Defenses (MB9)</li></ul>
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	Motion to Strike Defendants Answer for Failure (MD5) Motion to Strike Claimants Answer (MQ8) Motion to Renew Entry of Default Judgment (MR1)
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# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

## 2/07/2020

### (Special Civil Part)


New

Court officers will now have the ability to electronically file the following documents: Personal Service Returns (Reservice), Warrant of Arrest Certification Returns, Writ of Replevin Returns and Execution Returns. For more information, please consult the Quick Reference Guide.


# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

## 12/15/2019

### (Civil Part)

	When filing a new case or submitting an answer, two new fields will display on the Enter Case Details screen. One field will track whether the case alleges violations of the consumer fraud act, and the other field will track whether the case alleges a sexual abuse claim.
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### (Special Civil Part)

	When filing a new case, a new field will display on the Enter Case Details screen. The new field will track whether the case alleges violations of the consumer fraud act.
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# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

## 11/15/2019

### (All Courts)

<b>New</b>	For consolidated cases, all filing types will allow users to add new parties. These new parties will be auto-docketed into ACMS.
<b>Fixed</b>	Information Notices generated from filings against consolidated cases will no longer be forwarded to attorneys who were previously substituted out of the case.

# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

## 10/4/2019

### (Special Civil Part)

Enhanced

For reference purposes, when court officers are notified by eCourts, the officer's email addresses will now be included in the body of the notification, similar to how the attorney's email addresses are currently listed.

### (Civil Part)

Enhanced

The Affidavit of Merit notification process has been expanded to include tracking on transferred malpractice cases.

# eCourts – Civil Release Notes

## 9/6/2019

### (Civil Part)

<b>New</b>	A daily process will now run to generate notices that will be stored to the Case Jacket alerting users that a party has been defaulted.
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### (Special Civil Part)

<b>New</b>	Court officers will now receive a daily report/file listing out all of the executions that were assigned to him/her on that particular day.
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# eCourts – Civil & Foreclosure Release Notes

## 7/29/2019

### All Courts

<b>New</b>	Information Notifications will now be generated for all consolidated case filings. Previously these notifications were generated for only motion scheduling events.
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### General Equity - Foreclosure

<b>New</b>	After August 1 <sup>st</sup> , when an order to reinstate a case is granted, a minimum \$500.00 fee will be charged.
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### Special Civil Part

<b>New</b>	Court Officers will now have the ability to submit Notice of Writ Returns via eCourts. The submission will generate notices to eCourts parties on the case.
<b>Removed</b>	When submitting Motion and/or Motion Response filings, attorneys will no longer be prompted to enter a Proposed Return Hearing Date.

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# eCourts – Civil and Foreclosure Attorney Release Notes

6/24/2019

(All Courts)

<b>Fixed</b>	Various defects have been fixed, which will lead to an improved user experience.
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(Civil Part)

<b>Enhanced</b>	The Name Change Complaint workflow has been updated. Specifically, filers will no longer need to electronically input the SSN or SBI when adding the petitioner party to the complaint filing. For more information, please consult the Quick Reference Guide.
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# eCourts – Civil and Foreclosure Attorney Release Notes

5/17/2019

(All Courts)

<b>New</b>	Document security has been introduced for Deficiency Correction filings, allowing the filer to set the access restriction level for the documents being submitted. For more information, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a> .
<b>Enhanced</b>	Within the eCourts Case Jacket, the party status will now be displayed within the Party Details tabs.
<b>Fixed</b>	Various defects have been fixed, which will lead to an improved user experience.

# eCourts – Civil and Foreclosure Attorney Release Notes

4/29/2019

## (All Courts)

<b>New</b>	A new filing category has been added to the system for “SCCO Trust Fund Review” motions. This category will contain 2 motion types: “Motion to Deposit Funds” and “Motion to Withdraw Funds”.
<b>Enhanced</b>	For Special Civil and Civil Part cases, the Statewide Lien field in the case details section will now display the actual “DJ” or “J” number, rather than just a “Yes” or “No” value.
<b>Fixed</b>	Various defects have been fixed, which will lead to an improved user experience.

## (Foreclosure)

<b>New</b>	The Self Represented Litigant notification process will be implemented, allowing pro se users to sign up to be electronically notified via eCourts regarding their case matters.
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# eCourts – Civil Attorney Release Notes

3/31/2019

## (All Courts)

<p><b>New</b></p>	<p>The eCourts Case Jacket will now contain additional information under the “ACMS Documents” tab. Specifically, five new columns related to “Service” information will now be included.</p>
<p><b>Enhanced</b></p>	<p>When submitting Motion Response documents, the system will now provide the Transaction ID’s of the documents eligible to be linked.</p>
<p><b>Fixed</b></p>	<p>Various defects have been addressed and fixed, providing for an improved user experience.</p>

## (Civil Part)

<p><b>New</b></p>	<p>An “Archived Records” section will now be available via the Case Jacket for select cases. These filings are uploaded by the Superior Court Clerk’s Office and are available only to court staff and eCourts registered attorneys.</p>
<p><b>New</b></p>	<p>When filing a Verified Complaint/Order to Show Cause, filers will now be required to attach a proposed Order to Show Cause and proposed final order.</p>
<p><b>Fixed</b></p>	<p>For Name Change complaints, when adding a party, the Gender field is now an optional entry.</p>
<p><b>Fixed</b></p>	<p>The Title 59 and Punative Class Action indicators will now be captured on the eCourts generated CIS for eFiled Complaints and Answers.</p>
<p><b>Fixed</b></p>	<p>The “Current Arb Date” and “Current Trial Date” fields within the Case Details section of the Case Jacket will now display the accurate date in all scenarios. Previously, if one of those dates was adjourned and moved forward, the field did not always reflect the new date.</p>

## (Special Civil Part)

<p><b>Enhanced</b></p>	<p>eCourts will now prevent attorneys from submitting Reservice requests if more than one year has passed since the dismissal date. The system will now prompt the attorney to file an order to re-open the case before allowing the submission of the reservice.</p>
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# eCourts – Civil- Attorney Release Notes

2/8/2019

## (All Courts)

<b>New</b>	Motion for Order to Delete has been added as a Motion filing type. In the event a party/attorney needs to delete a filing from the eCourts Case Jacket, they can now file this motion to initiate the process.
<b>Enhanced</b>	Motion to Correct Metadata has been re-labeled as Motion to Correct Data.
<b>Fixed</b>	Various bug fixes have been implemented for an improved user experience.
<b>Removed</b>	When adding a party, the select “Corporation Type” dropdown has been removed from the screen.

## (Foreclosure)

<b>Enhanced</b>	When SCCO staff process a final judgment package, the ensuing final judgment and writ (if included) will be stored to the Case Jacket as separate events. The judgment and taxed cost sheet will be captured as one entry and the writ will be its own unique entry.
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## (Civil Part)

<b>Enhanced</b>	Informational notes have been added to the Upload Documents screen for “Answer” and “Stipulation to Extend Time to Answer” to assist filers.
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# eCourts – Civil- Attorney Release Notes

1/13/2019

(All Courts)

<b>Fixed</b>	Various bug fixes have been implemented for an improved user experience.
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(Civil Part)

<b>Fixed</b>	For Name Change complaints, when adding a party, the SBI field is now an optional entry.
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# eCourts – Civil- Attorney Release Notes

12/14/2018

## (All Courts)

<b>Fixed</b>	Various bug fixes have been implemented for an improved user experience.
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## (Special Civil Part)

<b>New</b>	Users will now be able to submit Order to Show Cause case initiation filings via eCourts. For more information, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a> .
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## (Civil Part)

<b>Fixed</b>	For Name Change complaints, the age validation has been corrected so that the system will accept parties who are 18 years of age or older.
<b>Fixed</b>	For Name Change complaints, the term “Confidential” will be included in the blue stamp applied to the documents.
<b>Fixed</b>	For Name Change filings, the certification attachment will now be labeled as “Certification of Confidential Information” rather than “Certification of Personal Identifiers”.

# eCourts – Attorney – Civil Release Notes

11/16/2018

(All Courts)

New

The eCourts Case Jacket will now include additional informational tabs for the following: ACMS Fees and Writs (SCP only)



# eCourts – Attorney – Civil Release Notes

10/5/2018

(Public Access)

New

Public Access to eCourts Case Jacket is now available. The new application provides for a more intuitive and comprehensive search of Civil case information and will replace the current ACMS Public Access. ACMS Public Access will be discontinued on October 22. Please refer to the [Quick Reference Guide](#) for more information on eCourts Case Jacket Public Access.



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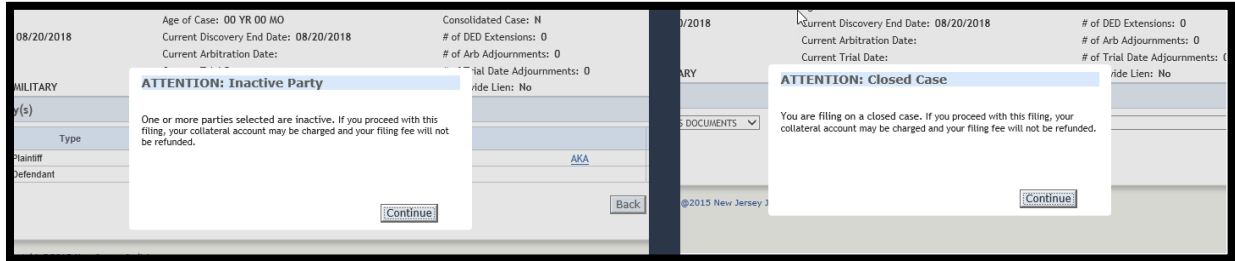
# All Courts

## New Features

### eFiling – Closed Case or Inactive Party Message

When a user attempts to submit a filing against a closed case or inactive party, the system will display a message to alert the user (Figure 1).

Figure 1



### eFiling – Informational Notifications in Consolidated Cases

eCourts will now include informational notifications in the case jacket of all consolidated cases when a motion hearing is scheduled in any of the involved cases (Figure 2). The notifications stored in the other consolidated case jackets will be prefaced “INFORMATION:” indicating that the notification is informational only. Additionally, all electronic filers in each of the consolidated cases will receive an email notification when the informational hearing notice is added to the case jacket.

Figure 2

Case Actions				
Filed Date	Filings	Docket Text	Transaction ID	Entry Date
9/4/2018		<b>INFORMATION:</b> The motion filed on 09/04/2018 will be decided on 09/30/2018. Do not come to the courthouse because no oral argument has been requested. The court's decision will be provided to you. Re: MOTION FOR DISMISSAL SCP201827436 on CONSOLIDATED CASE CAM-DC-000043-18	SCP201827439	9/4/2018

## Bug Fixes

### Case Jacket – Missing Date within Docket Text of Motion Result Corrections

The issue where the date of a motion result correction within the docket text was missing has been corrected.

# Civil Part

## Feature Enhancements

### Case Jacket – Document Security in Name Change Complaints

The ability to file a Complaint to Change Name has been restored to eCourts with the introduction of document security restrictions in this case type. Two required documents, the Certification of Personal Identifiers and the Proposed Judgment Addendum (Figure 3) documents will permit a filer to include un-redacted Personally Identifiable Information (PII) necessary in Name Change filings.

Documents with the Access Restriction “Confidential” will only be visible in eCourts to Court staff and to parties on the case. eCourts users who are not a party to the case will be unable to view these documents (Figure 4).

For more information on this enhancement, please see the Quick Reference Guide [here](#).

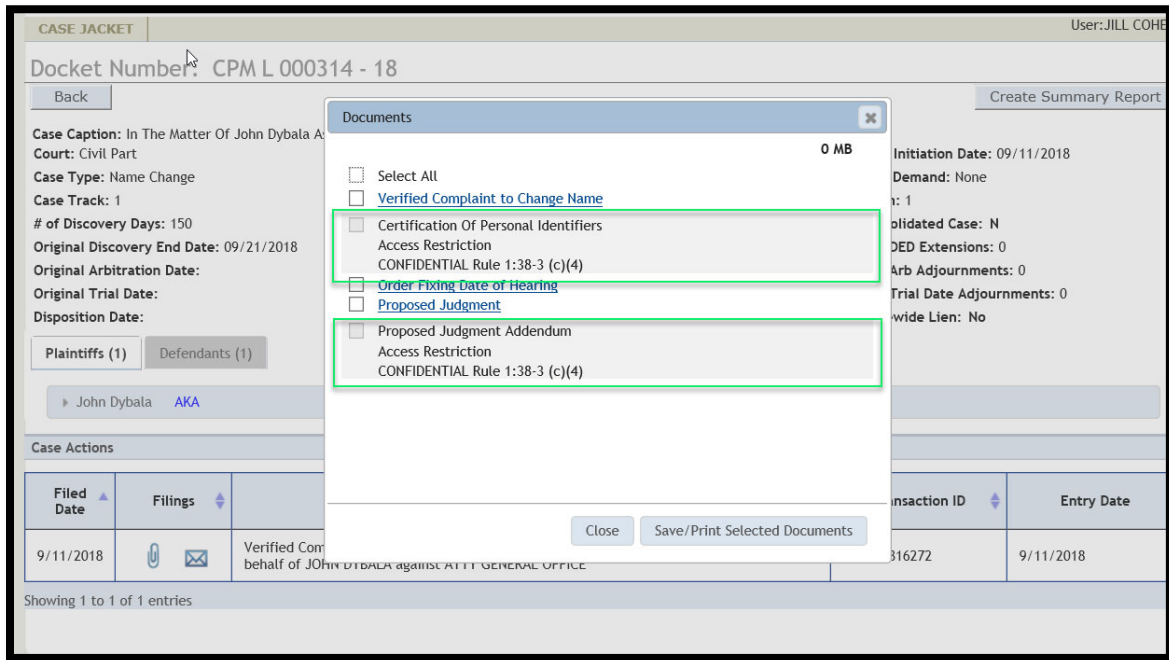
Figure 3

The screenshot displays the 'Upload Required Documents' interface in the eCourts system. At the top, the navigation bar includes 'eCOURTS HOME', 'eFILING', and 'CASE JACKET', along with user information: 'User: 036872007, J. COHEN Firm: STERNS & WEINROTH, PC'. The main heading is 'Upload Required Documents', with a 'Back' button. Below this, the 'Case Details' section shows 'Case Type: NAME CHANGE'. The 'Upload Required Documents' section contains a checkbox for certifying redaction and a table of required documents.

Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
* Complaint	Verified Complaint to Change Name	Public	Browse...
* Certification Of Personal Identifiers	Certification Of Personal Identifiers	Confidential	Browse...
* Proposed Order	Order Fixing Date of Hearing	Public	Browse...
* Proposed Judgment	Proposed Judgment	Public	Browse...
* Proposed Judgment Addendum	Proposed Judgment Addendum	Confidential	Browse...

At the bottom of the form, there are 'Back', 'Save', and 'Continue' buttons.

Figure 4



## General

### *Various other bug fixes*

Various system irregularities have been resolved to improve efficiency and ensure system functionality.



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# Civil Part

## *New Features*

eFiling – Objection to Affidavit of Merit

Under Miscellaneous Documents, filers will now have the ability to submit an Objection to an Affidavit of Merit.

eFiling – New Case Types

When submitting a complaint, the following case types have been added as filing options:

Physiomesh Flexible Composite Mesh - Case Type Number: 627

Taxotere/docetaxel - Case Type Number: 628

Zostavax - Case Type Number: 629

## General

### *Various Bug Fixes*

Various system irregularities have been resolved to improve efficiency and ensure system functionality.



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# All Courts

## Feature Enhancement

### eFiling – Time Stamp

Filings which occur Monday-Friday, outside of business hours, will be considered filed on the actual calendar date instead of the next business date. Filings which occur Saturday, Sunday or on a legal holiday/court recess will continue to receive the next business date.

## Civil Part

### New Features

#### eFiling – Affidavit of Merit Counterclaim Filings

An Affidavit of Merit notice will generate upon the submission of each counterclaim, answer with counterclaim, or amended answer with counterclaim filing when a filer answers affirmatively to the allegation of malpractice question (Figure 1), until one of the following conditions are met:

1. A valid Affidavit of Merit is filed.
2. An ‘Order to Waive the Affidavit of Merit’ (OG0) is Granted.
3. The 60 day period to file an Affidavit of Merit has expired.

Figure 1

Upload Required Documents

To upload documents please accept the following:

- I certify that I have redacted all confidential personal identifiers from all documents included in this electronic submission pursuant to Rule 1:38-7.

Does the counterclaim in this filing have an allegation of professional or medical malpractice?  Yes  No

Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
* COUNTERCLAIM	COUNTERCLAIM		Browse...
AFFIDAVIT OF MERIT	AFFIDAVIT OF MERIT		Browse...

#### eFiling – New Document Descriptions

The following document descriptions have been added:

LONG DESCRIPTION	FILING TYPE	CROSS MOTION?
PRE TRIAL MEMO	MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS	N/A
MOTION TO APPOINT TRUSTEE	MOTION	YES
CERTIFICATION OF TRACK CHANGE	MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS	N/A
MOTION FOR IMMUNITY	MOTION	YES

## Feature Enhancements

### eFiling – Document Description Revisions

Motion to Bar Testimony has been revised to Motion to Bar. Likewise, Order to Bar Testimony has been revised to Order to Bar.

Motion to Quash Subpoena has been revised to Motion to Quash. Likewise, Order to Quash Subpoena has been revised to Order to Quash.

## eFiling – Related Cases Pending

An affirmative response to the “Related cases pending?” question will cause “If Yes, list Docket numbers:” to be a required field (Figure 2).

Figure 2

**Enter Case Details**

\*Select Initiating Document: VERIFIED COMPLAINT

\*Select Case Type: ACCUTANE/ISOTRETINOIN

Law Firm Case ID: [ ]

\*Related cases pending?  Yes  No

\*If Yes, list Docket numbers: [ ]

\*Do you anticipate adding any parties (arising out of same transaction or occurrence)?  Yes  No

Use this space to alert the court to any special case characteristics that may warrant individual

## Bug Fixes

### eFiling – Affidavit of Merit

In a medical or legal malpractice case, an Affidavit of Merit will display as an optional attachment for all initiating document filing types (Figure 3).

Figure 3

**Upload Required Documents**

Back

Case Details: Case Type: MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

Filer(s)

Adversary(s)

Upload Required Documents

To upload documents please accept the following:

I certify that I have redacted all confidential personal identifiers from all documents included in this electronic submission pursuant to Rule 1:38-7.

Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
* Affidavit of Indigency	Affidavit of Indigency		Browse...
AFFIDAVIT	Affidavit of Merit		Browse...

Back Save Continue

### eFiling – Complaint Filing Message

A system message on the “Add an Adversary” screen of a new complaint filing, which had advised about service, was not applicable and has been removed.

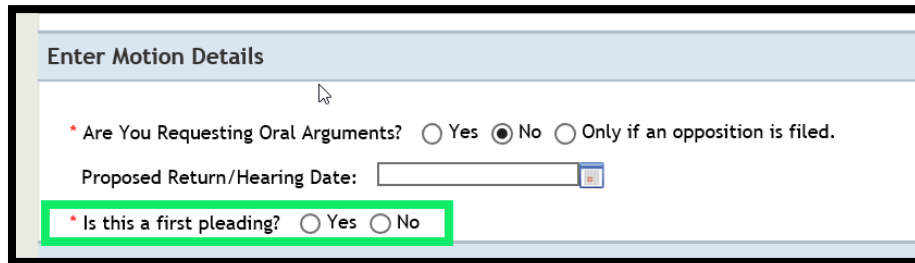
### eFiling – Complaint to Change Name

The Complaint to Change Name has been removed as an Initiating Document type.

## eFiling – Motion Details

When a defendant party is filing a motion, the question “Is this a first pleading?” will no longer maintain a default response and a selection will be required (Figure 4).

Figure 4



Enter Motion Details

\* Are You Requesting Oral Arguments?  Yes  No  Only if an opposition is filed.

Proposed Return/Hearing Date:

\* Is this a first pleading?  Yes  No

## Foreclosure

### *New Features*

#### eFiling – New Document Descriptions

The following document description has been added:

LONG DESCRIPTION	FILING TYPE	CROSS MOTION?
MOTION TO APPOINT TRUSTEE	MOTION	YES

### *Bug Fixes*

#### eFiling – Complaint Filing Message

A system message on the “Add an Adversary” screen of a new complaint filing, which had advised about service, was not applicable and has been removed.

## General

### *Various other bug fixes*

Various system irregularities have been resolved to improve efficiency and ensure system functionality.



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# All Courts

## New Features

### Case Jacket – Additional Case Detail Fields

Additional case detail fields have been added to display case disposition, disposition date, and statewide lien information (Figure 1).

Figure 1

Docket Number: MON DC 000492 - 18

Back Create Summary Report

Case Caption: Baldwin Llc Vs Canale Llc  
Court: Special Civil Part  
Case Type: Contract Dispute  
Case Track:  
Case Disposition: Open

Venue: Monmouth  
Case Status: Active  
Judge:  
Statewide Lien: No

Case Initiation Date: 05/01/2018  
Demand Amount: \$100.00  
Jury Demand: None  
Age: 00 YR 00 MO  
Disposition Date:

Plaintiffs (1) Defendants (1)

Baldwin Llc

### Case Jacket – Statewide Lien Field

The Statewide Lien field will display either a 'Yes' or 'No' value (Figure 2). A 'Yes' value indicates a judgment lien in the case and displays as a hyperlink which, when selected, will display judgment information (Figure 3).

Figure 2

Demand Amount: \$3,500.00 View Case Jacket

Case Track:

Statewide Lien: [Yes](#)

'Yes' indicates a judgment and popup window can be activated to view lien information.

Figure 3

Case Details Case Number: MER DC 006614-15 Venue: MERCER Demand Amount: \$10,000.00 View Case Jacket

Case Title: WELLS FARGO BANK NA VS SMITH  
Case Type: CONTRACT DISPUTE Case Status: ACTIVE Case Track:  
Jury Demand: NONE Judge:  
Case Disposition: OPEN Case Disposition Date: Statewide Lien: [Yes](#)

▼ Filer(s) STATEWIDE LIEN(S)

Judgment Number	Current Status	Status Date
DJ-012285-17	OPEN	08/25/2017

WELLS FARGO BANK NA  
▼ Adversary  
Name  
SMITH, JOHN  
▼ Employer(s)

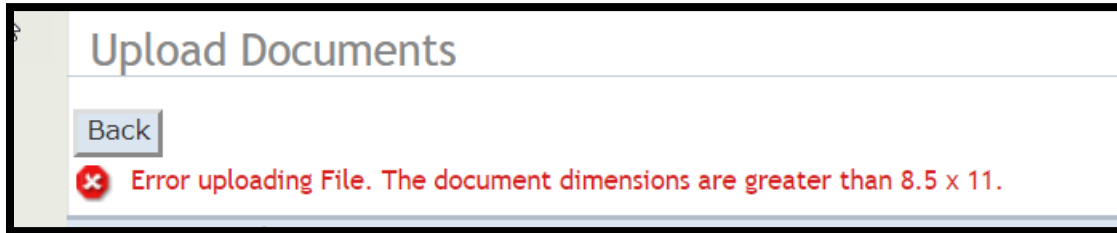
Close

## Feature Enhancements

### eFiling – Document Dimensions

When submitting a filing, a restriction will now be enforced to reject document uploads where the file dimensions are greater than 8.5 x 11” (Figure 4).

Figure 4

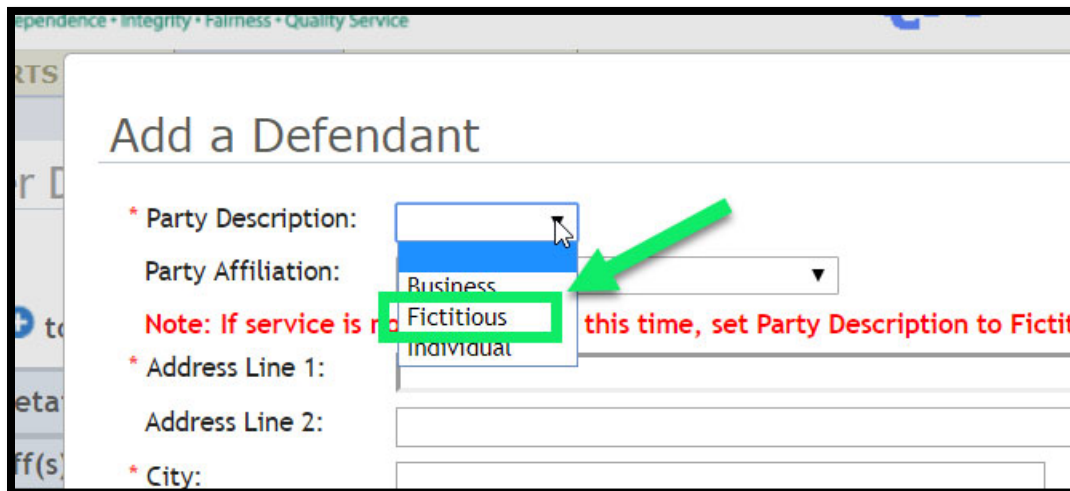


### eFiling – Fictitious Description

Filers should indicate a fictitious defendant from the value in the Party Description field (Figure 5). Previously, this designation was selected in the Party Affiliation field.

Additionally, an issue which required a filer to select a Corporation Type when a fictitious description was selected has been corrected.

Figure 5



## Civil Part

### New Features

#### eFiling – Abilify

The filing description “Abilify” has been added as a ‘Compliant’ filing type.

## ***Bug Fixes***

eFiling – Case Information Statement

The CIS is now updated upon answering the question, “Does the statute governing this case provide for payment of fees by the losing party?” when submitting an Answer filing.

## **Special Civil**

### ***Bug Fixes***

eFiling – Fee Exemption

An earlier issue where a user who selected a fee exemption would receive an error message on file submission, has been corrected.

## **General**

### ***Various other bug fixes***

Various system irregularities have been resolved to improve efficiency and ensure system functionality.



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# All Courts

## New Features

### eFiling – Motion Linking

A major enhancement to eCourts permits motion-response filings to be linked to an existing motion in a case (Figure 1). The addition of a “Linked Filing(s)” collapsible content heading or 'accordion' allows one to view the original motion and motion response on the same screen (Figure 2) in the Case Jacket. More details on this feature can be found at the Quick Reference Guide [here](#).

Figure 1

Select Filing Type:

\*Select Filing Type: MOTION RESPONSE \*Select Filing Description: CORRESPONDENCE

\*Select a pending motion to link this filing to:

Selected	Document Description	Filed Date	Filer	Adversary
<input type="radio"/>	MOTION FOR DISMISSAL	04/02/2018	ADAM TRASK	CATHY AMES
<input type="radio"/>	CROSS MOTION FOR DISMISSAL	04/05/2018	CATHY AMES	ADAM TRASK
<input type="radio"/>	MOTION FOR MORE SPECIFIC ANSWERS TO INTERROGATORIES	04/02/2018	ADAM TRASK	CATHY AMES
<input type="radio"/>	None of the Above			

Back Continue

Screen ID:ECCV1100 | Copyright NJ Judiciary 2014

Figure 2

3/20/2018		JUDGMENT submitted by Case Management Staff	SCP20184867	3/20/2018
3/29/2018		DEFICIENCY NC [SCP20184865] data submitted way to help you		3/29/2018
3/29/2018		DEFICIENCY NC [SCP20184865]		3/29/2018
3/29/2018		Deficiency Corr Management St		3/29/2018
4/5/2018		MOTION TO CON LASTNAME TEST on behalf of AB		4/5/2018
4/5/2018		CROSS MOTION LASTNAME TEST		4/5/2018
4/5/2018		CROSS MOTION by LASTNAME PC on behalf of		4/5/2018
4/5/2018		DEFICIENCY NC ANOTHER COUR		4/5/2018

Documents 0 MB

Select All

CROSS MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE & TRANSFER TO ANOTHER COURT

Certification in Support of Motion

Proposed Order

Linked Filings

MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE & TRANSFER TO ANOTHER COURT - SCP20185126

Close Save/Print Selected Documents

Clicking on the attachment icon displays linked filings.

Showing 1 to 12 of 12 entries

## Feature Enhancements

### eCourts Home – Support URLs Added

A direct link to access eCourts training resources and release notes has been added to eCourts Contact and Support Information on the eCourts home page (Figure 3).

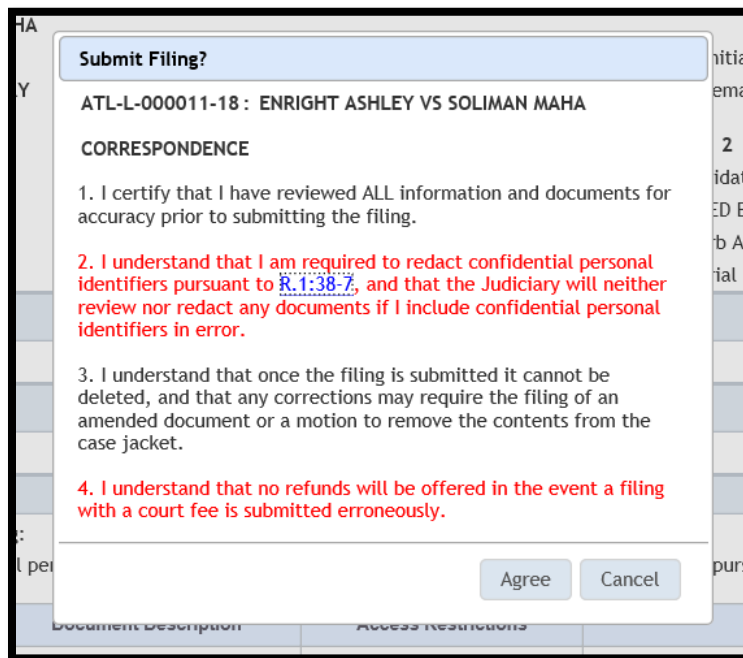
Figure 3



### eFiling – Confidential Acknowledgement

Before final submission of a filing, the confirmation message has been modified to include more comprehensive language requiring filers acknowledge responsibility to submit filings which are accurate and free of personal identifiers (Figure 4).

Figure 4



## Bug Fixes

### Case Jacket – Deficiency and Clerk Notice Notifications

Previously when an attorney was associated with more than one firm, the notifications created by either a deficiency notice or a clerk notice were sent to the email addresses for all of the

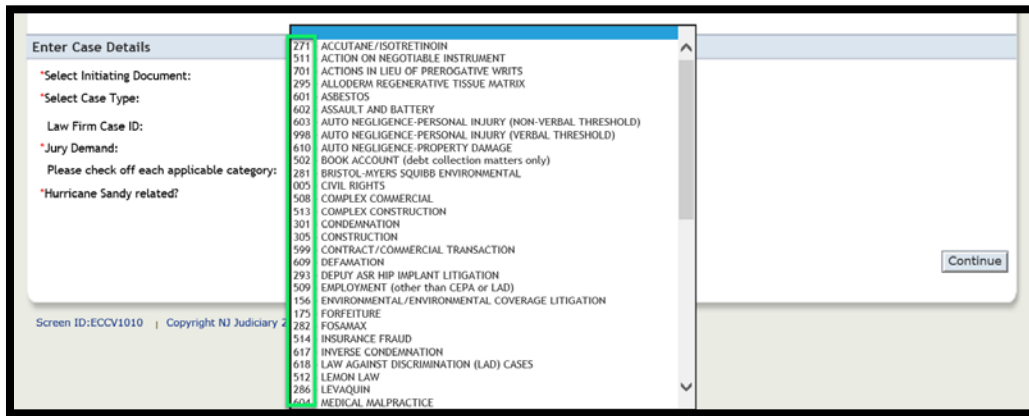
associated firms. Notifications will now only be sent to the firm under which the attorney is logged into at that time.

## Civil Part Feature Enhancements

### eFiling – Document Codes

When initiating a new filing, the Select Case Type dropdown will now include the case type numbers before the description name (Figure 5).

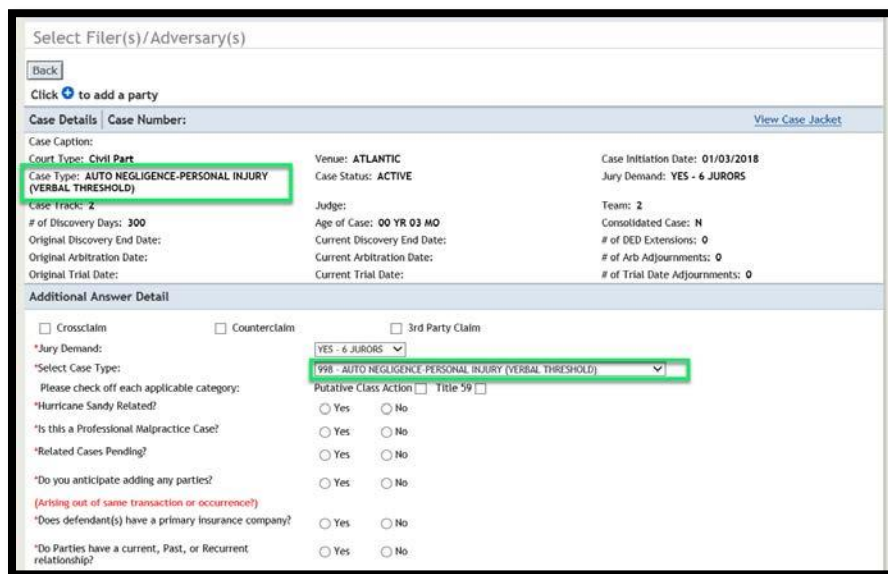
Figure 5



### eFiling – Responsive Pleadings

When filing an answer, the Select Case Type field will now default to the case type in the filing details (Figure 6).

Figure 6





# Special Civil

## *New Features*

### eFiling – SR38/SR39

The Filing Description “SR38/SR39” has been added to the Post Judgment filing type.

### eFiling – Motion to Waive Affidavit of Merit

The Filing Descriptions “Motion to Waive Affidavit of Merit” and “Cross Motion to Waive Affidavit of Merit” have been added to the Motion and Motion Response filing types respectively.

## *Feature Enhancements*

### eFiling – Notice of Appearance

The system will now collect the required \$30 filing fee for “Notice of Appearance (Other than in Lieu of Answer)” filings filed via the Miscellaneous Documents filing type.

### eFiling – Restoration Fee

A Restoration Fee field has been added to “Motion to Restore Answer” and “Motion to Vacate Dismissal” filings.

## *Bug Fixes*

### eFiling – Complaint Initiation

The Jury Demand field will default to ‘None’ rather than ‘6 Jurors’.

## General

### *Various other bug fixes*

Various system irregularities have been resolved to improve efficiency and ensure system functionality.



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# **Civil Part**

## ***New Features***

eFiling – Motion for Sale of Lands

The filing description “Motion for Sale of Lands” has been added in the ‘Motion’ filing type.

The filing description “Cross Motion for Sale of Lands” has been added in the ‘Motion Response’ filing type.

## ***Bug Fixes***

eFiling – Null Docket Text

An issue has been fixed where complaints processed through the after-hours queue could have docket text with "null" inserted for the filing type text.

# **General**

## ***Various other bug fixes***

Various system irregularities have been resolved to improve efficiency and ensure system functionality.



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# **All Courts**

## ***New Features***

### **Efiling – Filing Type - Motion Response**

There has been a major reorganization of the filing descriptions previously contained within the ‘Motion Related’ filing type. The new filing type titled ‘Motion’ contains initial motion filing descriptions. Additionally, there is now a filing type labeled as ‘Motion Response’ for objections, replies and cross motion filings in response to a filed motion. Lastly, some non-motion related filing descriptions have been moved to other filing types.

### **Efiling – Filing Type - Response to Amended Complaint**

The filing description “Response to Amended Complaint” has been added to the ‘Responsive Pleadings’ filing type.

## ***Feature Enhancements***

### **Efiling – Notifications**

Email notifications have been revised to include the actual filing document description or name in the subject line rather than the previous text “Non-Complaint.”

# Civil Part

## *New Features*

### Efiling – Affidavit of Merit

Pursuant the recent Supreme Court ruling, eCourts will provide notification of the Affidavit of Merit filing obligation in 604 Medical Malpractice and 607 Professional Malpractice case types pursuant N.J.S.A. 2A:53A-26. In brief, at the first answer filing, provided an Affidavit of Merit has not yet been filed, the system will generate a notice email to all parties. On the occasion this requirement is still not met 50 days from that answer filing date, the system will generate a second notice. Additionally, an Affidavit of Merit is now a non-required document type when filing either 604 Medical Malpractice or 607 Professional Malpractice complaints or counterclaims.

## *Feature Enhancements*

### Efiling – Add a Party

In the Party Affiliation field, “Fictitious Person” has been modified to “Fictitious.”

### Efiling – Add a Party

Within Complaint filings, address fields (Address Line 1, City, State, etc.) are no longer required entries.

### Efiling – Case Details - Late Tort Claims Question

During case initiation, when filing a Notice of Motion there is now a question on the Case Details screen, “Is this a Notice of Motion for Late Tort Claims?” Additionally, ‘Proposed Complaint’ has been added as a separate required document on the Upload Documents screen if user responds affirmatively to the late tort question.

### Efiling – Notice of Appearance

“Notice of Appearance” in the ‘Responsive Pleadings’ category, will no longer generate a CIS.



# Foreclosure

## *Bug Fixes*

### Efiling – Notifications

Fields displayed in email notifications have been aligned to match information displayed within the Case Jacket.

### Efiling – Notifications

In some cases, street address information was missing within the “Not Electronically Mailed To” section of some notifications when a physical address did exist in the system. This error has been corrected and the address will display properly where it exists.

### Efiling – Motion Response

On the Upload Documents screen, the text “Notice of Motion” previously displayed rather than the actual filing description. This has been corrected.

# Special Civil

## *Feature Enhancements*

### Efiling – Filing Description - Letter of Appearance

The filing description “Letter of Appearance” has been relabeled NOTICE OF APPEARANCE (OTHER THAN IN LIEU OF ANSWER) in the ‘Miscellaneous Documents’ filing type.

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### Efiling – Upload Document - Interpreter Question

The question regarding the interpreter requirement now has a default response of "No."

### Efiling – Statement for Docketing

A request for a Statement for Docketing will now include validation to determine if an active writ or execution exists on a judgment. If so, the judgment will display with a message indicating that writs must be returned.

# General

## *Various other bug fixes*

Various system irregularities have been resolved to improve efficiency and ensure system functionality.



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## **Special Civil & Civil Part**

### *Efiling – Add a Party*

When adding a new party, the selection of Movant/Adversary will now be required.

## **Special Civil**

### *Efiling – Application for Wage*

An error message that incorrectly indicated that multiple adversaries had been selected has been fixed.

### *Efiling – After Hours*

The confirmation received for after-hours complaint filings has been modified to more accurately indicate the pending nature of such filings.

## **General**

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# All Courts

## *Efiling – Motion Related*

Informational warnings related to Consolidated Motion Cases have been added.

## *Efiling – Upload Documents/Filing Type*

The Motion Related filing type "Motion to Correct Metadata" has been added as a filing description.

# Civil Part

## *Efiling – Verified Complaint*

Name Change Complaint has been disabled as a filing case type until a later date. Such complaints should be filed on paper directly with the court at this time.

## *Efiling – Motion for Name Change*

This motion has been disabled as a filing case type until a later date. Such motions should be filed on paper directly with the court at this time.

## *Efiling – Answer Filing*

Under the Add Answer Detail section, the 'Select Case Type' dropdown field has been added. The selection will default to the description type.

## *Efiling – Case Details*

Three new fields have been added. '# of Discovery Days', 'Age of Case', 'Consolidated Case' – this field will display a Y or N indicator. If Y, a link will display to view consolidated cases.

## *Efiling – Case Details*

When 'Complaint' is selected as the Initiating Document on the Case Details screen, the Jury Demand field will not have a default value. Filers are required to select an option.

## *Efiling – Upload Documents*

The required documents for Judgment by Default under Judgment/Post Judgment Filing Types have changed:

\*Judgment by Default (Word, PDF)

## **Special Civil**

### ***Efiling – Motion Related***

Motion to Vacate Default Judgment: the Answer document has a Document Type label of 'Answer', previously it was blank.

### ***Efiling – Motion Related***

Motion to Vacate Default Judgment attachment now has the Document Type label of 'Answer'.

### ***Efiling – Add Defendant***

Address fields will be required by default unless the Party Affiliation is selected as Fictitious.

### ***Efiling – Fee Calculations***

SCCO Post Judgment: If a case has "Jury Request = 6", fees are now calculated correctly for SCCO Post Judgment AND DJ Motion Related/Other filing types.

### ***Efiling – Notifications***

Party names will use full name spelling field where applicable.

### ***Miscellaneous – Amended Complaint***

'Enter If Applicable' has been removed and a red asterisk added to 'Updated Demand Amount' to indicate the field is required.

## **Foreclosure**

### ***Efiling – Non-Complaint***

The Party Type dropdown in the Add Party popup box has a selection for 'Other'.



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An additional filing category called "SCCO" has been added. This allows for the submission of some Civil Part filings directly to the Superior Court Clerk's Office.

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On the Review and Submit screen, when a filer is exempt and the exemption is "Filing on behalf of the Office of the Public Defender," the Select Account Number textbox can no longer be selected and modified.

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The case type "Complaint to Change Name" has been removed as an "Initiating Document" type. Therefore you will not be able to use eCourts to file Name Change Complaints. Please submit these complaints on paper to the appropriate courthouse.

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# All Courts

## *Email Notifications*

In reference to eCourts Notifications emails, rather than having a generic subject line of “Non-Complaint” filing, the subject line will now reference the document description of the filing submitted by the attorney.

# Special Civil Part

## *SCCO DJ Motion Related/Other – New Filing Type*

To provide users with greater flexibility when filing against statewide lien “DJ” numbers, a new filing category has been added to the system: DJ Motion Related/Other. The following document descriptions have been included in this category:

1. Application for Wage Execution - DJ
2. Objection to Wage Execution - DJ
3. Warrant for Arrest - DJ
4. Motion to Vacate - DJ
5. Motion for Dismissal - DJ
6. Motion to Turn Over Funds - DJ
7. Motion to Compel Deposition - DJ
8. Motion to File Amended Complaint - DJ
9. Motion to Stay Judgment - DJ
10. Motion to Compel Answers to Interrogatories - DJ
11. Motion to Amend Order - DJ
12. Motion for Order to Show Cause - DJ
13. Motion for Discovery - DJ
14. Motion to Pay - DJ
15. Motion to Enforce Litigants Rights - DJ
16. Motion to Revive a Judgment - DJ
17. Motion to Amend Judgment - DJ
18. Motion to Cancel & Discharge Judgment of Record - DJ
19. Motion to Reconsider - DJ
20. Motion to Reinstate Case - DJ
21. Motion to Relieve Counsel - DJ
22. Motion to Vacate Default Judgment & Restore - DJ
23. Objection/Response to Motion - DJ
24. Withdrawal of Motion - DJ
25. Certification - DJ
26. Proof of Service - DJ

# Civil Part

## ***SCCO – New Filing Type***

To provide users with greater flexibility when filing against statewide lien “J” numbers, a new filing category has been added to the system: SCCO. The following document descriptions have been included in this category:

1. Assignment of Judgment
2. Judgment by Default
3. Order for Judgment
4. Warrant of Satisfaction
5. Writ of Execution
6. Writ Returned

## ***Motion Related – New Filing Descriptions***

The following motion types have been added to the list of potential filing descriptions:

1. Motion to Confirm Arbitration Award
2. Motion to Opt - In Expedited Civil Action
3. Motion to Opt - Out Expedited Civil Action

## ***Miscellaneous Documents – New Filing Descriptions***

The following miscellaneous document types have been added to the list of potential filing descriptions:

1. Adjournment Request
2. Letter of Intent to Opt - Out Expedited Civil Action
3. Objection to Opt - Out Expedited Civil Action

## ***Case Details – Discovery End Date***

Previously, the Discovery End Date was calculating and displaying incorrectly. This has been fixed and the Discovery End Date will now display an accurate end date in the Case Details section.



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## **All Courts**

### ***Case Jacket – Filing Date***

The eCourts notification email generated for documents uploaded by court staff will now reference the Filed Date of the document, rather than the Entry Date of the document.

### ***Case Jacket – Order Notification***

In the event there were multiple attorney associations to a particular case, when the court processed order filings, certain parties were not being electronically notified as expected. This issue has been resolved and all attorneys will be notified in this scenario going forward.

## **Special Civil Part**

### ***SCCO Post Judgments – New Document Descriptions***

To provide users with greater flexibility when filing against statewide lien Docketed Judgment numbers, the following document descriptions have been added to the SCCO Post Judgment Filing Type category:

1. Assignments – DJ
2. Consent Order to Pay – DJ
3. Letter to Void Judgment – DJ
4. Miscellaneous Order – DJ
5. Notice of Appearance – DJ
6. Order to Amend – DJ
7. Order to Discharge Bankruptcy – DJ
8. Order to Reinstate – DJ
9. Order to Revive – DJ
10. Order to Satisfy – DJ
11. Order to Vacate – DJ
12. Releases – DJ
13. Return Writ Satisfied – DJ
14. Substitution of Attorney – DJ

### ***eFiling – Request for Statement for Docketing***



As a forewarning to filers, eCourts will now display a message on the “Select Venue Judgment” screen during the Request for Statement for Docketing filing process, letting the filer know that if any active executions exist against the judgment, they must be returned before their request can be processed.

**Note:** This message is only for informational purposes, and the system will not prevent the user from continuing with the filing.

## Civil Part

### *eFiling - Amended Answer with Jury Demand in Document Description*

When jury demand is selected for an Amended Answer the document description will now display as ‘Amended Answer w/Jury Demand.’

Upload Required Documents			
	Document Name	Document Description	File Name
	* Amended Answer ,w/Jury Demand	Amended Answer ,w/Jury Demand	
			

### *eFiling - Submit a Motion - Fee Exemption Error*

When submitting a motion with a fee exempt reason, an error message was displaying. The error message will no longer display when selecting fee exemption reasons.

### *eFiling - Jury Demand Selection – Yes 12 - Jurors*

When “Yes – 12 Jurors” is selected from the dropdown list, the selection will be in all caps to be consistent with the other 2 values in the list.

Enter Case Details	
*Select Initiating Document:	<input type="text"/>
*Select Case Type:	<input type="text"/>
Law Firm Case ID:	<input type="text"/>
*Jury Demand:	<input type="text"/>
Please check off each applicable category:	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES - 12 JURORS <input type="checkbox"/> YES - 6 JURORS <input type="checkbox"/> Title 59

### *eFiling - Is this a First Pleading – Party Type ‘Other’*

When filing a Motion to Intervene if a Party is added as “Other” then the question “Is this a first pleading?” will not be displayed in the Enter Motion Details tab. This question only applies to movant party types of ‘Defendant’ or ‘Respondent.’

### *eFiling - Stipulation of Settlement – No Fee*

When Stipulation of Settlement filing description is selected under Miscellaneous Documents filing type, no filing fee will be required.

***Case Jacket - Jury Demand to Display as 12-Jurors***

If a case has a Jury Demand selection of 12-Jurors, it will now display appropriately in the Case Jacket as 12 Jurors.



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# **eFiling**

## ***JACS Account Validation (Civil)***

If the user is submitting a filing that has no fee or is fee exempt the system will no longer validate whether the user (attorney) has a valid JACS account

## ***Motions – Docket Number with Case Year 2000 (Civil)***

The system will now accept motion filings submitted against docket numbers with a case year of '00', and will no longer return an error message upon submission.

## ***Add a Filer - Partial Address***

The filer's address is not required when submitted by an attorney. However, if a partial address is entered, the system will now require entry of the complete address.

## ***3rd Party Complaint - Add a Party***

Add a Party is now allowed for 3<sup>rd</sup> party complaints within the Initiating Documents category on an Existing Case.



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## **E-Filing**

### ***Deficiency Notice Notification***

The Transaction ID link located in the docket text of a deficiency notice email notification has been corrected and now links back to the original deficient filing from the Case Jacket.



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## **eFiling**

### ***County of Incident Removed from Enter Case Details screen***

The County of Incident field and dropdown menu have been removed from the Enter Case Details screen when filing a Complaint.

### ***New text next to Oral Argument question added***

For motion filings, in the Enter Motion Details section, there is new text next to the “Are you requesting Oral Arguments?” question. The new text states, “No appearance is required unless you are contacted by the court”.

### ***Removing abbreviation “FL”***

"FL" (Full Name Spell) abbreviation will be removed from Statement for Docketing form. Only the full name, without the FL prefix, will appear. The change will be applicable regardless of party type.



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# **E-Filing**

## ***New Motion Details***

Motions filed after 8pm Monday-Thursday or Friday 8pm through Sunday will receive a “Filed Date” of the next business day.

Previously, the Enter Motion Details section contained one mandatory question regarding an Oral Argument Request, as well as an optional question regarding inputting a Proposed Hearing/Return Date. Two additional mandatory fields will be added to this section, one question in reference to whether or not the filing is a Cross Motion, and another field where the filer will need to indicate the Proof of Service Date.

## ***Application for Wage: Update Debtor Address***

When filing an Application for Wage Execution, attorneys will now have the ability to update a debtor’s address during the filing process. From the Select Movant/Adversary screen, a Modify link will be available, where filers can update the Debtor’s address, so that it reflects accurately when the system generates the wage form.

## ***Add a Party - Defendant Address Updates***

When adding a new defendant to a DC case, if the filer inputs data into one of the address fields (eg. City field), then the system will require that all of the address fields be completed, preventing incomplete addresses from being submitted.

## ***Multi-Filing Function Update***

In the event an attorney filer attempts to submit the same filing to multiple cases, he/she will now be required to file against at least 2 docket numbers.

## ***Physical Mailing address will be populated for Not Notified Parties***

In the event eCourts can not notify a party electronically, the email notification has been updated to now include the party’s physical address for reference.

## ***Saving pending complaint: System will retain collateral account selected***

In the event a complaint is saved prior to submission, the system will now retain the collateral account selected by the user.

