

# NOTICE TO THE BAR

## Expansion of eCourts to Special Civil Part


The Judiciary Electronic Filing Imaging System (JEFIS) is being retired for Special Civil Part DC filings (those of \$15,000 or less) as of September 30, 2016. The system will be replaced by a new electronic filing application – eCourts Special Civil. This new eFiling application allows attorneys to file documents online at any time and provides real-time remote access to electronic case files in the Special Civil Part (DC) case type.

The Judiciary's eCourts system, which is an approved electronic filing and record keeping system pursuant to Rule 1:32-2A, has been operational in the Criminal Division of Superior Court since 2014 and in the Tax Court since 2015. All New Jersey attorneys in good standing who have completed their Annual Attorney Registration online can use eCourts Special Civil.

In anticipation of the retirement of JEFIS for Special Civil Part DC cases, the Judiciary is currently accepting electronic filings via eCourts Special Civil in the following counties: Bergen, Hunterdon, Mercer, Somerset, and Warren. **As of the date of this notice, attorneys are invited to submit Special Civil Part DC pleadings and related documents via eCourts Special Civil in these counties; additional counties will be added on a rolling basis.** Once JEFIS has been retired, use of eCourts Special Civil for Special Civil Part DC cases will be required.

FAQ's and guides on the use of eCourts Special Civil, as well as a schedule of eCourts Special Civil availability in each county, are available at [njcourts.com/eCourts](http://njcourts.com/eCourts).

Questions regarding eCourts Special Civil Part may be directed to Lloyd Garner, Chief, Special Civil Part Services, by email to [Lloyd.Garner@njcourts.gov](mailto:Lloyd.Garner@njcourts.gov) or by phone at 609-292-8470.



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