

Press Release

Clerk of Courts to implement eFiling on July 30, 2012

Dwight Brock announced that the Florida Courts eFiling Authority has approved the Collier County Clerk of Courts' application to accept court documents filed electronically in criminal, civil traffic, probate, juvenile dependency and juvenile delinquency cases. The clerk's office will begin accepting documents electronically on July 30, 2012.

Dwight stated "we have finally received all of the approvals required by the courts so we can now implement a timely and efficient document filing process in Collier County. eFiling will better serve all of our major customers, reduce the workload for our staff and reduce costs to taxpayers. Everyone is excited about this major change in the way we will do business at the Clerk's office."

The new service will be phased in, starting with simple eFiling on existing cases. In the near future, new cases will be opened online and all related documents and records will be filed electronically. Electronic filing will allow attorneys to file documents with the courts from their computers via the internet 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

The Florida Association of Court Clerks (FACC) has setup a Florida Courts e-Filing Portal where attorneys can establish their own accounts using their Florida Bar number to set up a user name and password at <https://www.myflcourtaaccess.com/>.

After creating an account, attorneys will be able to file documents and records electronically using the FACC portal and a uniform case number. When the document is filed, it is placed in a queue, where it will be reviewed by a court clerk and automatically filed.

Court documents which require signatures can be signed electronically using the /s/.

Below are links to information that will provide attorneys with a more detailed understanding of the eFiling process, and the Florida Supreme Court's requirements:

eFiling Video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Ypj5PA1uS4>

Florida eFiling Authority http://www.flclerks.com/eFiling_authority.html

FAQs http://www.flclerks.com/e-Filing_Authority/eFiling_faq1.html

Instructions on eFiling in Collier County <http://www.collierclerk.com/pdf/efilingCCinstructions>

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