



eFileTexas.Gov Processes More Than 250,000 Filings in the Month of January

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PLANO - Today Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Nathan Hecht, Texas Office of Court Administration Administrative Director, David Slayton and elected court officials from the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex highlighted the progress of e-filing at Tyler Technologies in Plano.

“This month Texas took a big step and became the nation’s largest state to implement a mandatory electronic court filing system aimed at digitizing court filings, “ said Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice, Nathan Hecht. “When fully implemented, e-filing will improve court efficiency, reduce costs to lawyers and clients, reduce expense to taxpayers, and make courts even more transparent. I am proud of the work we have done and look forward to continuing to work with the legal community to make e-filing a success.”

Under the e-filing mandate, all civil cases filed in the State’s 10 most populous counties (Bexar, Collin, Dallas, Denton, El Paso, Fort Bend, Harris, Hidalgo, Tarrant and Travis) and all case types in the Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals and 14 appellate courts, must be filed electronically. Every six months more counties will make the change from paper to digital until all courts throughout the state are e-filing for civil cases by 2016.

Below are statistics on the usage of efileTexas.gov since January 1, 2014.

- More than 250,000 filings in the month of January (on average, 13,000 filings each day.)
- Projected to handle 3.5 million filings in 2014.
- Since Jan. 1, the system has saved 2 million pages of paper, that’s roughly one pallet of paper per week.
- In 2014, the system is expected to save 24 million pages of paper – that’s 25 times the height of the Texas Capitol building.
- More than 50,000 registered users actively utilizing eFileTexas.gov.
- 53 Counties and 118 Courts are live on the system.

“We appreciate Texas clerks, judges and attorneys efforts this month to become accustomed to the new e-filing system,” said David Slayton, Administrative Director of OCA. “Their persistence and patience is a huge factor in why eFileTexas.gov has had a successful launch.”

Plano, Texas based Tyler Technologies is the technology infrastructure provider for eFileTexas.gov. The Web portal utilizes Tyler’s e-filing platform, Odyssey® File and Serve, which is deployed in more than 10 other states including, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico and Oregon.

“We are proud of our partnership with the state of Texas and of how smoothly the roll out of eFileTexas.gov went,” said Bruce Graham, president of Tyler’s Courts and Justice Division. “This project is an outstanding example of how technology can make government more efficient by bringing it into a digital environment.”

For more information and to download b-roll and an eFileTexas.gov press kit visit <http://www.efiletexas.gov/media-kit.htm> .

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