



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

CHAMBERS OF
JEROME B. SIMANDLE
CHIEF JUDGE

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Dear Forum Attendee:

On behalf of the District Judges and Magistrate Judges of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, I am pleased to welcome you to this educational Forum which is designed to provide you with the latest information on electronic filing and local rules. Today's Forum reflects this Court's commitment to serving our litigants and the general public by providing ease of access and transparency of court processes.

Almost a decade ago, the District of New Jersey launched the Case Management/Electronic Case Filing (CM/ECF) System. We also launched efforts to educate our users to this new program so that they, and we, might obtain the full benefit of the ease and efficiency it offered.

With the leadership of our Clerk's Office and the cooperation of the bar, we can look back with pride as we reflect on the progress we have made working together to make electronic filing a success in the District of New Jersey. Right now, we have more than 20,000 registered ECF users.

We have tried to keep you apprised of the improvements to the ECF system, and we welcome your suggestions for further refinements. Please share your suggestions with our Court's professionals who are conducting the Forum.

I hope you enjoy this ECF Forum as you learn more about CM/ECF and our local rules. Thank you for joining us in this continuing collaboration for the administration of justice.

Sincerely,

JEROME B. SIMANDLE
Chief U.S. District Judge

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