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OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA: Superior Court of Alameda County successfully deploys its Civil eCourt case management system with electronic filing, and amends emergency Local Rule.

The Superior Court of Alameda County (Court) announces the successful October 12, 2021, deployment of its new Civil [eCourt case management system](#) with e-filing and a new Public Portal.

Since its launch ten days ago, the Court has received over 2,500 e-filed documents and has initiated over 480 new cases in eCourt. Users report that eCourt is user-friendly, and that they enjoy being able to electronically schedule their own hearing reservations and to easily view and contest tentative rulings.

New to eCourt, parties and their counsel in Civil matters may remotely access their confidential cases, a feature that was not technologically possible on the Court's legacy Domain system. In order for a party or counsel to access a confidential matter, they add their email to the case in eCourt and must use that same email address when [creating an account](#) in the Portal. To add or update an email address in eCourt, users should file a Notice of Change of Address or Other Contact Information using Judicial Council of California form [MC-040](#).

To reflect the launch of—and new features available in—eCourt, the Court also amended [emergency Local Rule 1.8a](#), effective October 20, 2021. The amendments:

- Establish that reservation requests for Civil matters are now made through eCourt, not via phone or email;
- Require reservation requests for ex parte matters; and
- Note that file-endorsed copies of filed papers will be available on eCourt where permitted under rule 2.503 of the California Rules of Court.

For more details about eCourt, e-filing, and the new Public Portal, please see the Court's [September 20, 2021, press release](#). For information about the Court generally, please check our [website](#) and follow [@AlamedaSuperior](https://twitter.com/AlamedaSuperior) on Twitter.