UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT

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Federal Circuit Implementation of NextGen CM/ECF

The United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit will go live on the next generation of the national case management and electronic case filing system, NextGen CM/ECF, on March 19, 2018. Because implementing NextGen CM/ECF will require the Clerk's Office to suspend temporarily electronic filer services, we are providing early notice to allow sufficient time for electronic filers to prepare and to plan accordingly.

Prepare for NextGen CM/ECF

As of March 19, 2018, electronic filing in the Federal Circuit will only be available through individual and upgraded PACER accounts.

- 1. If you have an individual PACER Account, upgrade your legacy PACER account.
- 2. If you do not have an individual PACER account, create a new PACER Account. PACER Administrative Accounts will still be available for law firms and organizations to manage multiple individual accounts.
- 3. Visit http://www.cafc.uscourts.gov/nextgen to learn more about NextGen CM/ECF. We will add new training materials and resources over the next two months to assist electronic filers transition to the new system.

Plan for NextGen CM/ECF

- New PACER filer registrations will temporarily end on Wednesday, March 14, 2018.
- CM/ECF filing will be unavailable from Friday, March 16, 2018, beginning at 8:00 p.m. (Eastern) through Sunday, March 18, 2018. Electronic filing and PACER registration will resume on Monday, March 19, 2018.

About NextGen CM/ECF

With the upgrade to NextGen CM/ECF, court filers will (1) have a redesigned and enhanced user interface; (2) no longer need to use a Java plug-in; (3) be able to use most common web browsers for filing; and (4) use a single sign-on for electronic filing and PACER access, as well as for all federal courts on NextGen CM/ECF (i.e., no more multiple accounts). Visit http://www.cafc.uscourts.gov/nextgen for more information.