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Notice Regarding Implementation of NextGen CM/ECF

In the spring of 2018, 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. The implementation date of NextGen CM/ECF will be announced two months ahead of time.

How to Prepare Now for NextGen CM/ECF at the Federal Circuit

1. **Upgrade Your PACER Account.** If you are currently registered for electronic filing in the Federal Circuit and have not already upgraded your PACER account for another NextGen court, you will need to upgrade your PACER account [here](#). Upgraded accounts will continue to work on the current version of CM/ECF. A tutorial of the account upgrade process is available [here](#) (video) and [here](#) (text).
2. **Create an Individual PACER Account.** With the implementation of NextGen CM/ECF, all electronic filers must have their own individual PACER accounts. Shared firm or office accounts will no longer work. Click [here](#) to create a new account.

Law firms and organizations will be able to handle consolidated billing and online account management for all individual PACER accounts by using a PACER Administrative Account, which allows groups to manage and pay for all charges associated with multiple PACER accounts. An overview of PACER administrative accounts is available [here](#).

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).

Additional information about NextGen CM/ECF is available at <https://www.pacer.gov/nextgen/>. A presentation of NextGen CM/ECF and the new electronic filing interface is available [here](#) (video) and [here](#) (text).