

# eCourts – External Tax Court Release Notes

## 08/14/2020

New

Attorneys and registered self-represented litigants can now file State Tax complaints related to the tax relief programs. For more information, click [here](#).

## *Ability to file a State Tax Complaint*

Attorneys and self-represented litigants can now file a State Tax complaints for the tax relief programs such as Fair Homestead Rebate and Senior Freeze (PTR) using eCourts. Similar to the Local Property complaints, eCourts can automatically generate teemplate documents for the filer including the complaint and proof of service.

The user may opt out of this advanced functionality and upload their own documents to be submitted as a complaint. The systsem will display an “opt-out” checkbox, which if the user acknowledges, will stop the system from creating the Complaint and Proof of Service templates.

**Note:** Additional State Tax case types will be added in the future.

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## 05/22/2020

	On the Enter Property screen, when templates are enabled, a link to the supplemental proof of service form has been included.
	For ACH payments, users are now able to select their account type, Checking or Savings. Selecting an account type is now mandatory.

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## 04/03/2020

### (Tax)

	When adding a property during the complaint filing process, two new plaintiff association types have been added as options: Lien Holder and Other.
	When refiling an existing case, users can now update the property information, and they will also have the ability to save and retrieve the filing if needed. For more information on this process, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a> .
	When submitting an adjournment request, the user will now have the option to utilize a system generated template form. For more information on this process, please consult the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a> .

# eCourts – Tax Attorney Release Notes

## 12/06/2019

### Tax

<b>New</b>	eCourts will now accept ACH as a payment option for filings with associated fees.
<b>Fixed</b>	Issues involving state tax case searches from the eCourts Case Jacket have been resolved.

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## 10/01/2019

### Tax

<b>New</b>	eCourts will now accept Credit Cards as a payment option for filings with associated fees.
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## 09/13/2019

### Tax

Fixed	For Motion Related Filings, the Certification of Service will now be designated as an optional attachment.
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## 8/9/2019

### Tax

	<p>New filing options are now available under the Motion Related Filing Type. Specifically the following document descriptions have been added: Consent Order to Correct or Delete eCourts Data, Motion to Correct or Delete eCourts Data, Order to Correct or Delete eCourts Data.</p>
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3/8/2019

(All Courts)

	<p>When filing a complaint with a case type of “Freeze Act Based on County Board Judgment”, the “Add Property” popup will now include required fields for the filer to input both original and county board assessment amounts. For more information, please reference the <a href="#">Quick Reference Guide</a>.</p>
	<p>When filing a complaint with a case type of “Added or Omitted Direct Appeal”, the Add Property popup will now include a “Total” field accounting for the combined amounts from the “Land” and “Improvements” fields.</p>
	<p>Various defects have been fixed, which will provide for an improved user experience.</p>



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## eFiling

*For Direct Appeals and Added/Omitted Direct Appeals, system will check that the total assessment for the property is greater than \$1,000,000 and \$750,000 respectively*

When users select Direct Appeals or Added/Omitted Direct Appeals as a case type, a message is going to show up letting them know that the total assessment of the property must exceed \$1,000,000 and \$750,000 respectively.

In addition, after adding a property, if the total assessment does not exceed the specified amount, an informatory message will be shown to the users letting them know that the assessment has not exceeded the amount and they should file with the County Board of Taxation.

The assessment value must exceed the amount for at least one property. If it exceeds for at least one property (out of all the properties added), the message is not going to show up.

Also for Added or Omitted Direct Appeals cases, Land and Improvements assessment fields are mandatory now.

*Correction in Submit Filing pop up Docket Number*

Previously, an incorrect DC docket number was showing up on Submit Filing pop up when attorney was clicking Submit button at the end while filing non-complaint. The issue has been corrected now and the correct Tax Court docket number would show up.

*Proceedings tab has been fixed to show correct timings*

Previously, Proceedings tab in the Case Jacket was not reflecting the correct time for Hearing. That issue has been fixed now and Proceedings tab shows the correct time.

*No Fee will be shown for Freeze Act Based on County Board Judgment case type*

Previously, when Freeze Act Based on County Board Judgment was filed, eCourts was showing JACS account details even though there is no fee for this case type. The issue has been fixed now and eCourts is going to show No Fee for this case type on the Enter Fees page. The same text will be shown in Filing Detail page under Case Management.



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## **eFiling**

### ***Corporation Type has two additional choices – GP and LP***

GP and LP have been added as two additional choices under Corporation Type dropdown. The Corporation Type dropdown shows up only when Party Type has been selected as Corporation while adding Plaintiff and Defendant.

### ***Consent Order has been added under Miscellaneous Documents category***

Consent Order has been added in the Miscellaneous Documents Filing Type category

### ***Summary Judgment-Statement of Material Facts has been added under Motion Related category***

A new document Summary Judgment-Statement of Material Facts has been added under Motion Related category.

### ***Letter of Communication (under Document Description) is now Correspondence***

The Document Description Letter of Communication is now Correspondence. This is appearing under Miscellaneous Documents Filing Type.

### ***Counterclaim field has been added as part of Case Details***

Counterclaim field has been added as part of Case Details. This field is going to appear in filing side as well as Case Jacket case details section.



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# eFiling

## ***Back buttons have been added***

Back buttons have been added on Select Filing Type/Description screen to allow users to go back to the Search screen

## ***When retrieving filings from the pending list, language and ADA Accommodations preferences that were entered will now show up.***

Previously, when Interpreter Language and ADA Accommodations values were selected and a filing was saved, when retrieved, values were missing. This has been fixed and correct values will now be displayed

## ***Cancel button on Add Plaintiff/Add Defendant pop-up***

On the add party pop-up, the Cancel button was not showing up until user selects any value from the Party Type dropdown. The Cancel button would now appear on the add party pop-up as soon as the pop-up is launched

## ***Language and ADA Accommodation fields will be required if Yes option is selected***

Once Yes is selected for Language and ADA Accommodation fields, a red asterisk will now appear on the following fields indicating Language and/or additional ADA details are required

## ***Blue Stamp issue has been fixed***

When submitting a filing to multiple cases, a red colored Aspose text was appearing right below the blue date/time stamp. The Aspose stamp was appearing only on first docket number's documents. This has been corrected and the Aspose stamp will no longer appear

## ***Filing fees is now correctly charged when filing is being submitted to multiple cases***

When submitting a filing to multiple cases, the filing fee was not being charged correctly on all of the cases. All applicable filing fees on all cases will now be charged correctly

### ***“DRAFT” watermark now appears on draft Case Information Statement***

Previously, draft inline text was appearing on draft Case Information Statement. This has been changed for consistency with other eCourts applications and now has a DRAFT watermark on the draft CIS

## **General**

### ***Error messages fixes***

Various error messages have been re-worded to ensure clarity in the messages and what needs to be done

### ***Various bug fixes***

Various system bugs have been fixed to ensure efficient system functionality and optimization



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## eFiling

*Under Property Type, Personal Property has been changed to Business Personal Property*

Certain attorneys were getting over-charged when they were using Personal Property incorrectly. Then they had to follow up with filing a motion to get refund. This has been fixed now and this selection is appearing as Business Personal Property with fees being displayed and charged correctly.



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## **eFiling**

### ***Certain Non-Complaint fees are now being displayed correctly***

There was no fee information being displayed when submitting a non-complaint filing with an associated fee on the “Temporarily Assigned to Superior Court” case type. This has been fixed and fees are now being displayed and charged correctly.

## **Notifications**

### ***Notification issues for filings submitted by the court have been resolved***

The inconsistencies with notifications being sent when a filing is submitted by court staff have been fixed. All eCourts registered parties on a case will now get notified on all filings and notices generated by court staff.

## **Case Jacket**

### ***Document numbers have been replaced with paperclip icon***

The document numbers in the Filings column of the case jacket have been replaced with paperclip icons to ensure consistency throughout all eCourts Case Jackets.

### ***Single document entries in the Case Jacket now open with one click***

When clicking on the paperclip icon to view documents, if the filing has a single document, the document will now open eliminating an extra step.



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# eFiling

*New case type has been added when initiating a case*

New case type “Temporarily Assigned to Superior Court” is now available for External users. This case type does not require filing fees.

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eCOURTS HOME eFILING CASE JACKET User: 007412005, T. BRAND Firm: TOMPKINS MC GUIRE WACHENFELD & BARRY

Enter Case Details

Enter Case Details

\* Select Action:  Local property  State Tax

\* Select Case Type: 

- Added or Omitted Assessment
- Added or Omitted Direct Appeal
- Appeal from County Tax Board Judgment
- Contest of Order
- Correction of Error
- County Equalization
- Direct Appeal
- Farmland Qualification
- Farmland Rollback
- Freeze Act Based on County Bd Judgment
- Temporarily Assigned to Superior Court

\* Enter the Caption:

Is this a Small Claims Division Case?

Is this Case related to Hurricane Sandy?

Is there an Exemption?

limited to Class 2 properties (1-4 family residence), class 3A farm residence or prior ss than \$25,000. See Rule 8:11

Continue

*Message suggesting user to contact TCMO to update their information*

When external user’s information is incomplete in Tax Court Management System, following message is going to appear on eFiling tab. The message is going to appear regardless of the filing type, either Complaint or non-complaint.

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eCOURTS HOME eFILING CASE JACKET User: 007412003, T. LANDAU Firm: HOLLANDER, STRELZIK, PASCULLI, ET AL

Enter a New Case/Search an Existing Case

Please contact the Tax Court Management Office. Your information is not up to date in the Tax Court System.

Enter the docket number to file against an existing case:  441 -  2016 Submit filing to other cases?:  Yes  No   
Ex. 000001 Ex. 2014

OR

Enter a new case:  Or, REFILE against an existing case:  -    
Ex. 000001 Ex. 2014

OR

Continue a Pending Filing:

*Adding fee exemption functionality for local property tax non-complaint filings*

For non-complaint filings (where applicable), eFiling is now going to include fee exempt checkbox and related reasons for local property tax filings.

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eCOURTS HOME | eFILING | CASE JACKET User: 007412005, T. BRAND Firm: TOMPKINS MC GUIRE WACHENFELD & BARRY

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**Upload Documents**

▶ **Case Number:** 000443-2016 | **Case Caption:** James McEnro V Franklin Township [View Case Jacket](#)

Case Caption: James McEnro V Franklin Township  
Case Initiation Date: 03/15/2017      Court Type: TAX  
Judge: PATRICK DeALMEIDA, P.J.T.C.      Case Track: Small-Single Family      Case Status: OPEN  
Case Type: Added/Omitted Assessment      Hurricane Sandy Related: NO      Small Claims: YES

**Upload Required Documents**

To upload documents please accept the following:

\*  I certify that I have redacted all confidential personal identifiers from all documents included in this electronic submission pursuant to Rule 1:38-7.

Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
* ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIM	ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIM		
* Case Information Statement	Case Information Statement		
Proof of Service	Proof of Service		

**Fees**

I certify that I am exempt from the fee charge associated with this filing.

\*Reason for Filing Fee Exemption: Attorney General Representing the State  
Court order Permitting the Waiver of Fees Approved  
Filing on behalf Legal Services, Public Interest Org or Pro Bono Pgm  
Filing on behalf of Quasi State Office/Agency  
Municipality exempt from Counterclaim fee Number of properties entered here.

Number of Properties:

Filing Fee:

Select Payment Method:

Select Account Number:



*New fee exemption reason*

New exemption reason “Municipality exempt from Counterclaim fee” has been added in the list of “Reason for Filing Fee Exemption” dropdown. Attorneys filing on behalf of a municipality and submitting a counterclaim can now select check box and this reason in order to be exempt from the filing fee.

### Upload Documents

▶ Case Number: 000263-2016 | Case Caption: BUSINES INC V DIRECTOR, DIV OF TAXATION [View Case Jacket](#)

Case Caption: BUSINES INC V DIRECTOR, DIV OF TAXATION  
 Case Initiation Date: 03/15/2016 | Court Type: TAX  
 Judge: PATRICK DeALMEIDA, P.J.T.C. | Case Track: | Case Status: OPEN  
 Case Type: Cigarette | Hurricane Sandy Related: NO | Small Claims: YES

### Upload Required Documents

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Document Name	Document Description	Access Restrictions	File Name
* ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIM	ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIM		
* Case Information Statement	Case Information Statement		
Proof of Service	Proof of Service		
			

### Fees

I certify that I am exempt from the fee charge associated with this filing.

\*Reason for Filing Fee Exemption:

Number of Properties:

Filing Fee:

Select Payment Method:

Select Account Number:

Attorney's Client Reference Number:

- Attorney General Representing the State
- Court order Permitting the Waiver of Fees Approved
- Filing on behalf Legal Services, Public Interest Org or Pro Bono Pgm
- Filing on behalf of Quasi State Office/Agency
- Municipality exempt from Counterclaim fee

Number of properties entered here.



## Internal

*Change the payment type from Charge Account to Exempt from Fees*

When filer selects exemption reason, **Exempt from Fees** should be stored in Sybase (TCMS) instead of **Charge Account**. Exempt from Fees code is needed to fix incorrection information on financial reports.

Doc: [ ] Title: MARK SMITH AND FAMILY \ Status: OPEN RelCase: N Doc:

Trans. Date	Fee Type Code	Amount
03/07/2017	Complaint	\$250.00
03/07/2017	Motion	\$ .00
03/20/2017	Motion	\$ .00
03/20/2017	Counterclaim	\$ .00
03/20/2017	Motion	\$50.00

  

Trans. Date: 03/20/2017 Payment Ref. No.: [ ]

Fee Type: Counterclaim Payment Type: Exempt from fees

Fee Amount: \$300.00 Payment Amount: \$ .00 Party: [ ]

Counterclaim #: [ ] Municipal Ind:  Transaction Stat: EXM

Comments: [ ]

Exemption Reas: Filing on behalf of Quasi State Office/Agency Exempt certificat:



*Internal: Documents submitted as COMPLETED*

When filed Internally, following documents now go as COMPLETED upon filing (as of now they go as New Document in Work List):

- Trial Notice
- Inperson Conference Notice
- Case Management Plan

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## QA - Internal

eCOURTS HOME | CASE MANAGEMENT | **UPLOAD DOCUMENT** | CASE JACKET User: ravi.joshi

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### Upload Documents

▼ **Case Details** | Case Number: 000440-2016 [View Case Jacket](#)

Case Caption: a V a  
 Case Initiation Date: 03/15/2017      Court Type: TAX  
 Judge: PATRICK DeALMEIDA, P.J.T.C.      Case Track: Small-Single Family      Case Status: OPEN  
 Case Type: Added/Omitted Assessment      Hurricane Sandy Related: NO      Small Claims: YES

**Select Filing Type:**

\*Select Filing Type:       \*Select Filing Description:

INPERSON CONFERENCE NOTICE  
 PROCEEDING NOTICE  
 REQUEST FOR ADJOURNMENT  
 TRIAL NOTICE

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## QA - Internal

eCOURTS HOME | CASE MANAGEMENT | **UPLOAD DOCUMENT** | CASE JACKET User: ravi.joshi

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### Upload Documents

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 Case Initiation Date: 03/15/2017      Court Type: TAX  
 Judge: PATRICK DeALMEIDA, P.J.T.C.      Case Track: Small-Single Family      Case Status: OPEN  
 Case Type: Added/Omitted Assessment      Hurricane Sandy Related: NO      Small Claims: YES

**Select Filing Type:**

\*Select Filing Type:       \*Select Filing Description:

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER  
 CASE MANAGEMENT PLAN  
 CLERKS NOTICE  
 CONSENT ORDER  
 CORRECTED OPINION AND NOTICE  
 COURT GENERATED DOCUMENTATION  
 DEFICIENCY NOTICE  
 DISCOVERY ORDER  
 LETTER OPINION

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