

NOTICE TO THE BAR

FAMILY/CHILDREN IN COURT - REQUIREMENT TO FILE IN eCOURTS

The Supreme Court has ordered that all New Jersey attorneys representing the Division of Child Protection & Permanency (DCP&P), defendants, or children in a Children in Court matter (FN, FG, FL, and FC dockets) must continue to file electronically all pleadings and documents in eCourts consistent with the Court's [Order](#) dated May 5, 2020.

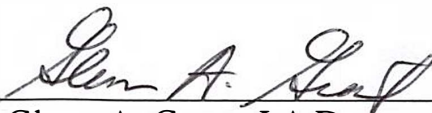
The Court has now further ordered that filings must be in the form and manner prescribed by the Administrative Director of the Courts at such time as those pleadings and documents become available in eCourts. The Court's October 1, 2021 Order is attached.

The following documents for the FN docket are presently available in eCourts and shall be filed using the appropriate eCourts function (and not uploaded as separate files):

- a. Proposed Order to Show Cause for Investigation (CN 11079)
- b. Proposed Order to Show Cause for Care and Supervision (CN 10160)
- c. Proposed Order to Show Cause for Temporary Custody (CN 10260)
- d. Proposed Order to Show Cause Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:4C-12 (CN 11706)
- e. Proposed Order - N.J.S.A. 30:4C-12 - Admission or Summary Finding - Title 30 (CN 11705)

The Judiciary will issue future Notices to the Bar as additional forms become available in eCourts directing their use consistent with the Court's October 1, 2021 Order.

Questions about this Notice may be directed to the Family Practice Division at 609-815-2900, ext. 55350.



Hon. Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D.
Acting Administrative Director of the Courts

Dated: October 7, 2021

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

The Court previously established eCourts as an approved electronic filing system for the trial divisions of the Superior Court and for the Tax Court pursuant to Rule 1:32-2A(a) (“Authorization of Electronic Court Systems”). The Court in its May 5, 2020 Order directed that attorneys must file in eCourts where it is available, including for Family dockets in Children in Court cases. The Judiciary continues to enhance eCourts functionality, including for Children in Court cases.

Accordingly, all New Jersey attorneys representing the Division of Child Protection & Permanency, defendants, or children in a Children in Court matter (FN, FG, FL, and FC dockets) must continue to file electronically all pleadings and documents in eCourts.

In addition, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. All New Jersey attorneys representing the Division of Child Protection & Permanency, defendants, or children in a Children in Court matter (FN, FG, FL, and FC dockets) must file in the form and manner prescribed by the Administrative Director of the Courts at such time as pleadings and documents become available in eCourts.
2. Consistent with Rule 1:4-4(b), where an affidavit or verification is required by the Rules of Court, the affiant may submit a certification in lieu of affidavit.

3. As provided by Rule 1:32-2A(c), an electronic signature shall have the same force and effect as an original handwritten signature.

For the Court,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Susan R. ...", written in a cursive style.

Chief Justice

Dated: October 1, 2021