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## DC Court of Appeals E-filing Launch is a Success

WASHINGTON – On August 8, the DC Court of Appeals began accepting documents via e-Filing for all existing cases. So far over 100 people have registered and nearly 100 pleadings have been filed.

"We are pleased to see that our public access system, which allows eFiling of documents as well as online viewing of docket information, is running so smoothly and effectively" said DC Court of Appeals Clerk of Court Julio A. Castillo. "Among the Court's goals are using technology to enhance case processing, and enhancing access to court information. The Court of Appeals' new eFiling and ACO project advances both goals."

Early next year the Court will mandate eFiling for all but self-represented parties. The new system, online at <u>https://efile.dcappeals.gov</u> or via the Appellate Cases Online (ACO) link on the Courts' website (<u>www.dccourts.gov/aco</u>), provides access for eFiling and allows real-time viewing of docket information on all public cases in the appellate court.

<u>DC Court of Appeals Administrative Order 2-16</u> governs the eFiling and ACO system; <u>DC Court of Appeals Administrative Order 3-16</u> governs the voluntary eFiling program.

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