

New York State Court Technology Roundup

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Remote Access Tools

◆ EDDS

Electronic Document Delivery System

◆ NYSCEF

New York State Court's Electronic Filing

◆ VEC

Virtual Evidence Courtroom



New York State Court Technology Roundup Polling Question # 1

Have you used the EDDS (Electronic Document Delivery System) before?

EDDS

Electronic Document Delivery System

Created May 4, 2020

In Response to COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Does not replace E-Filing

Delivery of a document via EDDS does not constitute service on any other party and is not considered “Filed” unless and until the court accepts it for Filing.

Available in over 320 non-EFile Courts

Over 1,700,000 documents have been sent via EDDS since May 2020

Access via www.nycourts.gov/edds

Recent / Future EDDS developments

- ◆ New Court Rules promulgated for EDDS
- ◆ [202.5c](#)
- ◆ Expanding use of EDDS to additional Justice Courts
- ◆ Limited Justice Courts participating in a Program utilizing EDDS for delivery and NYSCEF as repository of the official record

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New York State Court Technology Roundup Polling Question # 2

Have you used NYSCEF (New York State Courts Electronic Filing) before?

NYSCEF

New York State Court's Electronic Filing

First Authorized in 1999

Statutes / Court [Rules](#) / Local Protocols

Today Over 4,500,000 matters e-filed

Over 50,000,000 documents

Mandatory - Consensual implemented in

61 Supreme Civil Courts - 62 Surrogate Courts

All Four Appellate Divisions - Court of Claims

NYC Civil Court (325d) - NYC Housing Court

- ◆ [Unrepresented party](#) – Must Choose to E-File
 - ◆ STOP EFILING [Form](#)
- ◆ [Attorneys](#) – OPT Out

www.nycourts.gov/efile

Recent / Future NYSCEF developments

- ◆ Expansion of NYSCEF to other courts and case types

Family Court program now in development

- Three Phases
 1. Standard NYSCEF upload of PDF
 2. On Screen fillable forms & conversion to PDF for filing
 3. Integration with present and Future DIY programs

Future NYSCEF developments

- ◆ Expansion in **NYC Civil Court** to additional case types Including consumer credit
- ◆ Implementation of e-filing programs in Appellate Term & Superior Criminal court
- ◆ Proposed Legislation to permit CAJ to authorize e-filing programs in all courts statewide including Justice and City Courts

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New York State Court Technology Roundup Polling Question # 3

Have you used the VEC (Virtual Evidence Courtroom) before?

VEC

Virtual Evidence Courtroom

Created to allow for easy submission of evidence electronically

Remote and In-Person Hearings

Currently only available for NYSCEF matters in Supreme Court

1000 VEC's created to date

Documents are submitted in an orderly way

Kept in a separate and secure area of NYSCEF

Not part of the Case Record

Not available for public view

Currently Available in Supreme Civil NYSCEF matters

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Future VEC developments

- ◆ Updating VEC to accept any file type including audio and video
- ◆ Expanding use of VEC to courts not yet authorized to e-file

Future projects

- ◆ Testing of a new option that will allow an unrepresented party to submit a motion for fee waiver electronically.
- ◆ Creation and posting of additional video training modules for unrepresented individuals
- ◆ Expanding the use of Limited Notice of Appearances
 - [Notice Terminating Limited Appearance](#)
- ◆ Updating screens and forms to be more user-friendly and to be available in multiple languages

Resource Center News

◆ NEW Live Chat and Text sessions with Resource Center Staff - Ask a NYSCEF Question [link](#)

◆ Training sessions specifically geared towards unrepresented litigants and agencies who assist

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