



## **Chief Justice Adopts Statewide Policy and Standards for Acceptance of Electronic Filings in the Oregon Circuit Courts Effective July 1, 2015**

Chief Justice Balmer has signed Chief Justice Order 15–026, which adopts the OJD Policy and Standards for Acceptance of Electronic Filings in the Oregon Circuit Courts. The policy establishes the standards for consistent statewide administration of electronic filings submitted through the OJD eFiling system (File and Serve). The policy will take effect on July 1, 2015.

The policy was developed following extensive feedback from attorneys, their staff, court leadership, court staff, and staff in the Office of the State Court Administrator. The policy focuses on creating a consistent experience for filers – especially those who file in multiple counties across the state – while allowing the Oregon Judicial Department (OJD) and litigants to take full advantage of the benefits of electronic filing.

The Policy and Standards, a quick guide to assist attorneys, their staff, and other filers to understand the standards for acceptance of electronic filings, CJO 15-026, and additional information to assist with eFiling can be found on the OJD eFiling webpage:

<http://courts.oregon.gov/OJD/OnlineServices/OJDeFiling/Pages/index.aspx>

OJD eFiling was first implemented in the Yamhill County Circuit Court on April 1, 2013. Since then, OJD has implemented (in date order) eFiling in Crook, Jefferson, Linn, Jackson, Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Benton, Polk, Multnomah, Marion, Douglas, Josephine, Lincoln, and Lane Counties.

As a reminder, Mandatory eFiling is live for active members of the Oregon State Bar in circuit courts that have gone live with the Oregon eCourt Case Information (OECl) system. The circuit court will require mandatory eFiling for all active members of the Oregon State Bar 60 business days after each court goes live with OECl.

The OECl and eFiling implementation schedule can be accessed here:

<http://courts.oregon.gov/Oregonecourt/pages/Implementation-Schedule.aspx>

For more information on Oregon eCourt, upcoming court go-live dates, and recent news visit the OJD Oregon eCourt webpage:

<http://courts.oregon.gov/oregonecourt/Pages/index.aspx>