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In the Matter of: Disclosure of the Use of Artificial Intelligence in Court Filings

This Order governs the use of generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools (including but not limited to large language models, AI-assisted legal research tools, and AI-drafted text) in documents submitted to this court. Its purpose is to ensure accuracy, maintain the integrity of the judicial process, and reinforce counsel's professional obligations.

I HEREBY FIND THAT:

1. The legal claims or defenses are supported by existing law or a good-faith argument for extending, modifying, or reversing existing law.
2. The factual assertions are supported by evidence or are specifically identified as assertions the person reasonably believes will be supported after further investigation.

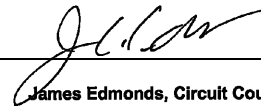
1. If a party or attorney uses an AI tool to draft, summarize, or generate legal analysis or citations in a filing, they must include a brief statement at the end of the document:

This disclosure does not require identification of the tool used or the specific text generated.

2. Use of AI tools does not modify, diminish, or shift the obligations imposed by ORCP 17. Every filed document must be signed by an attorney of record or, if unrepresented, the party, and that signature certifies compliance with ORCP 17(C).
3. Because AI systems may generate inaccurate case law, incorrect quotations, or misapplied authority, the court requires:
 - All citations must correspond to actual, valid legal authorities.
 - Quoted material must be checked against the source.
 - Parties must not rely on AI-generated summaries, headnotes, or paraphrases without confirming accuracy.
4. The court may require parties to produce copies of any cited authority.
5. The court may strike filings containing fabricated authority or significant inaccuracies and may impose sanctions under ORCP 17(D).
6. This Order applies to all filings, including motions, memoranda, pleadings, letters submitted to the court, and proposed orders.
7. This Order is effective immediately and remains in force until modified or rescinded.

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James Edmonds, Circuit Court Judge