



eFileMaine for Attorneys

Electronically file documents in real time from any computer, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with eFileMaine

This secure, intuitive system will provide attorneys the opportunity to move from a paper-based process to a web-based digital system. Filing procedures and access to electronically filed documents will be governed by the Maine Rules of Electronic Court Systems (RECS).

BENEFITS

- Quick access to accepted eFiled copies of documents
- 24/7 eFiling eliminates the need to travel to the courthouse to process paperwork
- Electronically serve represented parties and unrepresented parties who have opted for eFiling, and receive online tracking information via email for fast and easy verification
- Easily generate an audit trail, logs, and reports to help manage your law practice
- Pay court filing fees online and generate relevant financial reports

TIMELINE FOR ROLL-OUT

Fall 2020 — Mandatory eFiling for attorneys in Bangor District Court and Penobscot County Superior Court in most civil cases, including: family matters (divorce, Parental Rights & Responsibilities, child support, post-judgment motions, adoptions, guardianship, and name changes); small claims; forcible entry and detainer (FED/eviction); foreclosures; and most other civil case types with the exception of civil violations. eFiling will also be mandatory for lawyers filing cases in the Business and Consumer Docket at the same time.

Spring 2021 — All Region 5 courts (all Penobscot and Piscataquis County courts) with all case types except for Law Court appeals.

After Region 5 courts, other Regions will be added incrementally.

TRAINING AND SUPPORT

When eFileMaine goes live for the courts in a Judicial Region, eFiling will be mandatory for attorneys and parties represented by attorneys. (eFiling will be optional for unrepresented parties.)

Live, web-based trainings will be available at no cost for attorneys, paralegals, support staff, and others beginning in September 2020 on a first-come, first-served basis. Trainings are 60 minutes, with an opportunity to get your questions answered.

Learn more at
www.courts.maine.gov/ecourts

