

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF DU PAGE)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFICATIONS AND) Administrative Order No. 05-14
ADDITIONS TO THE CIRCUIT COURT RULES)

WHEREAS, the Circuit Judges of the 18th Judicial Circuit adopted local Circuit Court Rules on January 16, 2002; and

WHEREAS, from time to time it is necessary to ratify and codify certain revisions, amendments and additions to said local Circuit Court Rules; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2005, the Supreme Court approved changes to Rules 5.03 and 5.06 of Article 5: E-Filing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that these changes, shown as adopted in Exhibit A attached hereto, were adopted into the local Circuit Court Rules to be effective April 19, 2005.

ENTER:

ROBERT K. KILANDER
Chief Judge

Dated: April 26, 2005
Wheaton, Illinois

Article 5: E-Filing

5.03 - Designation of Electronic Filing Case Types

(a) This Court hereby authorizes L (Law over \$50,000) cases, AR (Arbitration) cases, and any cases formally transferred into AR, as permissible electronic filing case types. From time to time, with the approval of the Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, the Court may authorize, by written Administrative Order, additional types of cases to be processed via electronic filing. The Circuit Court Clerk shall direct the phasing in of initial implementation.

(b) On or after the effective date, each new L case or AR case shall become an e-file case when ~~a Plaintiff~~ any party electronically files a complaint electronically pleading or motion pursuant to these Rules. ~~or a Defendant files an answer electronically,~~ or when all of the parties to an L or AR case stipulate by written order to the submission of a pending case for inclusion in the e-filing pilot program.

(c) If a case's e-file status ~~is initiated by stipulation~~ commences after the case has existed as a conventional paper file, the Clerk shall electronically duplicate the physical file and include it in the e-filing database. Thereafter the file shall be processed electronically pursuant to these rules.

(d) All appellate and post-judgment enforcement proceeding documents and notices shall be filed and served in the conventional manner, and not by means of e-filing.

5.06 - Method of Filing

(a) For the purposes of this pilot project, the Circuit Court hereby ~~mandates~~ authorizes electronic filing in each of the designated cases as identified in Rule 5.03, above. Once a case becomes an e-file case, the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall only accept and approve subsequent filings electronically through a Vendor or through the Clerk's computer workstation, except as set forth in paragraph (b) hereafter. The Clerk shall refuse any document presented to be filed in paper form, and shall return the document to the filing party with directions to file electronically.