ARANSAS COUNTY E-FILING INFORMATION

PAM HEARD, DISTRICT CLERK



Thank you for E-Filing with the Aransas County District Clerk's Office!

The Aransas County District Clerk's office began E-Filing on October 6, 2014.

Effective January 1st, 2016, E-Filing is mandatory in the Aransas County District Clerk's Office, for all practicing attorneys who wish to file Civil and Family and County Court at Law (Family) cases. E-FILE YOUR CRIMINAL CASES AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2015.

E-filing in our Aransas County is handled via EFileTexas.gov; this guide is intended to answer commonly asked questions regarding e-filing within Aransas County using the State Sponsored E-filing Service Provider (EFSP); you may e-file using any EFSP you choose, but the information within this guide is specific to the state sponsored EFSP ONLY. (Certain information within this guide may be cross-compatible with other EFSPs, but the use of this information with other EFSPs is solely at the discretion of the filer.)

The Aransas County District Clerk's Office files both District AND County Court at Law(Family) cases:

When e-filing a <u>District Court</u> case, please select "Aransas DC Civil Filing – District Court" or DC Family Filings-District Court".

When e-filing a <u>County Court at Law</u> case, please select "Aransas CCL Family Filings-County Court at Law".

When searching for a case, use on the numbers in the case leaving out the "A" or the "CV" and "A", "B", or "C", please use the following style formats:

For district family cases prior to 1994 please call us for proper format, otherwise your format is YR + 0001.

For <u>district civil cases</u> prior to 1994 please call us for proper format, otherwise your format is 15-0001.

For <u>county court at law family</u> cases post prior to 1994 please call us for proper format, otherwise your format is 15-7000.

Every e-filed document is given an Envelope Number; if you have a question about a filing we will need that number to look up any filings for you.

Pursuant to <u>Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 99(d)</u>: The party filing any pleading upon which a citation is to be issued and served <u>shall furnish the clerk with a sufficient number of copies</u> thereof for use in serving the parties to be served, and when copies are so furnished the clerk shall make no charge for the copies.

When filing a new suit in Aransas county:

- *Pursuant to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 21(f) (5):
- "Timely Filing: A document is considered timely filed if it is electronically filed at any time before midnight (in the court's time zone) on the filing deadline. And electronic filed document is deemed filed when transmitted to the filing party's electronic filing service provider, except:
 - 1. (A) if a document is transmitted on a <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Sunday</u>, or <u>legal holiday</u>, it is deemed filed on the next day that is not; a <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Sunday</u>, or <u>legal holiday</u>; and
 - 2. (B) if a document requires a motion and order allowing its filing. It is deemed filed on the date the motion is granted."

General Information

Amex is accepted.

Court is integrated.

Court is charging \$2 cost recovery fee.

Attachments are allowed combined into a single document.

Multiple lead documents per filing are allowed.

Initial Filings

Case Information Sheet should be submitted as a separate lead filing. Exhibits should be submitted as an attachment.

Citation Requests, Copies and the like are under Optional Services.

If the Citation Request is required, it can be downloaded for your use from the Aransas County District Clerk's website under the FORMS tab----E-File Service Request and Fees Lead Document.

The filer can request copies (of filed document) as an optional service to be attached to the citation.

The addresses of the plaintiff is required. The address of the defendant is required. Or Where ever they may be located/found language.

In preparing an Original Petition all parties should be listed.

All exhibits should be uploaded separately.

Subsequent Filings

Items not needing a file stamp (proposed orders, notices, etc) should not have a cover letter as the lead document.

Proposed orders should be filed as a lead document

Motions should be filed as a lead document

Exhibits should be filed as an attachment to an appropriate lead document.

Motions and Orders Needing Hearing Dates

You must call the Judge's Court Administrator(s), in Sinton at 361.364.9310 and get a setting.

Request for Issuance of Service

Forms are available on the District Clerk website. Please use these forms as they provide the District Clerk's Office with all the information needed to fulfill your request.

Rejected Filings

TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS JUDICIAL COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, Version 2.5 Released: August 14, 2015

Technology Standards v2.5

4.6.2 REQUEST FOR CORRECTION

A clerk may request a filer to correct an e-filed document only for the following reasons. The request must state the reason and reference any supporting authority as follows:

Reason	Authority
Fees submitted are insufficient. Please	TRCP 99(d)
resubmit your filing with the correct case	and Gov't Code,
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to what fees were not included>	and (8)
	Gov't Code
	§51.317(a)
	Local Gov't
	Code §118.052;
	§118.121; or
	§118.131
Credit Card was declined. Please resubmit	TRCP 99(d)
with a valid method of payment.	and Gov't Code,
	§5 <mark>1.318(b)(7)</mark>
	and (8)
	Gov't Code
	§51.317(a)
	Local Gov't
	Code §118.052;
	§11 <mark>8.121; or</mark>
	§1 <mark>1</mark> 8.131
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Cause number	
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	resubmit your filing with the correct case type/filing type. <pre> type/filing type. <pre> to what fees were not included> Credit Card was declined. Please resubmit with a valid method of payment. The document is addressed to a court for which this clerk's office does not accept filings. Please correct or re-file with the appropriate clerk's office. Please resubmit using the correct </pre></pre>

	Case Category	
	Filing Code	
	Party names on document(s)	
	Attorney/Party email address(es)	
	Please resubmit the document	TRCP 21 (f)(8)
	 By rotating the document so that the file mark will appear in the upper right corner 	
	● In text searchable PDF	
	 Directly converted to PDF if possible. 	
	● W <mark>ith</mark> a 300dpi resolution	
	With a page size of 8.5"x11"With no embedded fonts	
PDF Documents Combined	You have submitted multiple documents for filing in a single PDF. The file-mark will only appear on documents submitted as lead documents. Please file all lead documents as separate PDF documents.	
Illeg <mark>ib</mark> le/Unreadable	Please resubmit in a format that is legible.	JE P.
Se <mark>ns</mark> itive Data	Please resubmit in five (5) business days with all sensitive data redacted:	TRCP 21c (a-f)
	 DL, SSN, Passport Number, Tax ID Number, Government Issued ID Number Bank Account Number, Credit Card Number, Financial Account Number 	NOTE: Family Code §102.008 and
	Birth Date, Home Address and name of any person who was a minor when the suit was filed.	§105.006 require identification of children by name
Fi <mark>l</mark> er's Request	The filer requested that this filing be returned.	5/

Occasionally, a filing may come over our system that needs to be rejected. With the new e-filing system, the rejection reasons our old system faced are no longer a problem; from our end, our office will not edit service and filing fees, except in a case that you owe less that paid.

Helpful Links

http://efiletexas.gov/

The State of Texas' E-Filing Portal with a list of E-filing Service Providers (EFSPs) as well as information on active e-filing counties and a helpful FAQ about e-filing.

http://www.aransascountytx.gov/districtclerk/e-docs/CivilCase InfoSheet.pdf

The most up-to-date version of the Aransas County Civil Case Information Sheet

• https://efile.txcourts.gov/

Direct link to the State Sponsored E-Filing Service Provider



