



Individual Filer User Guide

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OFS-FS-200-4494 v.3	Third	February 2020	The following changes were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Added a procedure for filing a new case with a Will Filed date.• Added a procedure for entering the date of death on the <i>Parties</i> page.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added a procedure for entering a filing with an Ad Damnum amount. • Added a procedure for entering a filing with a Claim Amount. • Added a procedure for entering a filing with an Estate Value. • Updated the <i>Parties</i> page. • Updated the procedure for entering a filing. • Updated the Redaction section. • Added a procedure for copying an envelope. • Updated the <i>Fees</i> page. • Updated the <i>Summary</i> page.
OFS-FS-200-4494 v.4	Fourth	April 2020	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the Return Date feature. • Added the Hearing Date feature. • Added a note throughout the document regarding the Party Responsible for Fees field.
OFS-FS-200-4494 v.5	Fifth	June 2020	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the Reports feature. • Added the Dashboard button to the <i>Case Search</i> page.
OFS-FS-200-4494 v.6	Sixth	September 2020	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated release number to match the current software release • Added browser support for Microsoft® Edge® to the “System Requirements” section
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.7	Seventh	December 2020	<p>The following changes were made:</p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added a note to the envelope details section regarding newly-added parties for subsequent filings • Added a note in all existing case topics indicating that the Add Party button is configurable for subsequent filings • Added a new screen shot for the <i>File into Existing Case</i> window when the Party Name search option is not displayed. Information was added to the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Orientation – Dashboard Page – Filing into an Existing Case from the Case Search Page – Filing into an Existing Case from the Dashboard Page – Filing into a Non-Indexed Case • Added a section describing the new Zendesk Help icon • Changed the document numbering to reflect new standards
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.8	Eighth	December 2020	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated the screen shot for the <i>Reports</i> page • Added the document security option to the “Creating a Service Only Filing” topic
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.9	Ninth	February 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added information regarding the new <i>Start Filing</i> page

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added information about the new Mail Service fees • Added information about tracking certified mail for a filing on the <i>Envelope Details</i> page • Updated the Service Contacts section to include information about the service method drop-down list on the <i>Service</i> page • Updated the “Creating a Service Only Filing” topic • Updated the “Filing into an Existing Case from the Dashboard Page” topic
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.10	Tenth	March 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reordered chapters to better represent normal usage during a case filing • Updated the <i>Upload Documents</i> page to include all document types that are now supported for uploading • Added the case level address feature • Revised the “Viewing the Envelope Details” topic • Created separate topic for viewing mail service fees in the envelope details
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.11	Eleventh	May 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added bulk filing to this release • Added the ability to add a service contact that is not associated with any party on the case to an initial filing
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.12	Twelfth	July 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the vacation letter (or leave of absence) feature • Added the capability to collect additional data on

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			<p>the <i>Case Information</i> page. The data that is collected is then transferred to forms used in civil and family cases.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the Service of Process feature. The data that is collected is then transferred to forms used in civil and family cases. • Updated the case search sections to include the use of the ENTER button for case searches
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.13	Thirteenth	October 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>Fees</i> page has been updated to allow filers to create payment accounts on the <i>Fees</i> page during filing creation. • The Documents tab has been changed to the Preload Documents tab. • The Upload Documents pane on the <i>Filings</i> page has been changed to the Documents pane. The Add Documents button in the Documents pane has been changed to the Select Documents button. • The <i>Envelope Submitting</i> window has been added at the end of the filing process. After filers click the Submit button, the <i>Envelope Submitting</i> window is displayed with three options for the filer's next step. The options include the following: return to the <i>Dashboard</i> page, view the receipt, or start a new envelope.
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.14	Fourteenth	November 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated the requirements for registering as an individual filer • Added the ability to view service contact history

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the ability to view the case judicial officer from specified pages in the application • Added the ability to search and filter specified drop-down menus • Updated the Support and Feedback sections • Added the ability to view the Return Date and Out of State indicator in the envelope details
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.15	Fifteenth	November 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated the “Redaction” chapter to include the addition of the transactional redaction feature • Updated the <i>Filings</i> page sections to include the required optional services feature • Added descriptions of the additional fields on the <i>Parties</i> page in the Additional Identifiers tab • Added a section for the new keyboard shortcuts, available through the Help drop-down list • Updated the “Support and Feedback” chapter to include the revised Help drop-down list • Added the “Manage Account” chapter • Revised “Changing the User Password” and moved the section to the “Manage Account” chapter • Added a description of the new <i>Profile</i> page • Added a description of the new <i>Email Notifications</i> page • Revised the “Signing Out” section

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removed Account Settings from the Dashboard menu. Also removed the Account Settings description from the “Orientation” section. • Added a chapter to describe how to access re: Search from Odyssey File & Serve
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.16	Sixteenth	December 2021	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removed the <i>Preload Documents</i> page and replaced all screen shots where the Preload Documents tab was previously displayed • Replaced the <i>Start Filing</i> page throughout the document, reflecting the removal of the Location drop-down list • On the <i>Filings</i> page, changed the Documents pane to the Upload Documents pane. Also changed “Component” to “Type” in the Upload Documents pane headers • Replaced screen shots to reflect the new page headers for the following pages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Payment Accounts – My Information – Change Password – Profile – Email Notifications • Reordered some of the sections in the “Case Information” chapter • Removed the “Uploading Documents for a New Case Filing” section • Removed the “Uploading Documents for a Bulk Filing” section

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removed the Unused Documents message from the <i>Summary</i> page
ESO-FS-200-4494 v.17	Seven-teenth	January 2022	<p>The following changes were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changed the <i>Start Filing</i> page throughout the document Added information on creating draw-down accounts Updated the “Payment Accounts” chapter to reflect the change to the payment account pane for adding new payment accounts Added draw-down accounts to the account types listed for creating new payment accounts on the <i>Fees</i> page Added envelope-level information to the <i>Case Information</i> page, the <i>Summary</i> page, and the envelope details Updated the “File into an Existing Case” chapter Removed the topic “Filing into an Existing Case from the Case Search Page” and included the information in other topics Updated screen shots to reflect the addition of the Filter option on the <i>Templates</i> pages Updated screen shots in the “Payment Accounts” chapter to reflect the changes to the Add Payment Account button Changed the example screen shot of the public service contacts list to show the addition of the firm name associated with each service contact

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ESO-FS-200-4494 v.18	Eighteenth	June 2022	The following changes were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Updated all screen shots to reflect the new user interface• Revised steps in applicable sections to reflect changes to the filing flow• Added information about adding the current filer as a service contact in a case filing• Added information on the Merge Document feature

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About This Guide

The purpose of this user guide is to provide users with details on how to use a product or a feature or functionality within the product.

User guides may include the following elements:

- User interface (dialog boxes and pages)
- Reports
- Tools

Audience

This document is intended for the following personas:

- Clients
- Tyler Client Services





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Text Style	Description	Example
Bold	Shorthand notation for a menu, menu item, optional cascading menu, or selected tab Objects to click or select, including buttons, check boxes, options in a drop-down list, elements, fields, and section header name	On the Main Menu, click Tools → Options → Forms . Click License Key Editor .
Fixed-Width	User interface (UI) input typed exactly as shown Server names, file names, path names, application programming interface (API) names, XML settings in configuration files, databases, command names, system calls, and data structures and types	Type the value <code>Boston</code> in the City field. Run the <code>tables.sql</code> script for the <code>jcpBasketB</code> database.
<i>Italics</i>	Page and dialog box names Document titles Variable data to be replaced by an appropriate value	Return to the <i>Home</i> page. Refer to the <i>Navigation Guide</i> . Type the <i>filename</i> .
“Quotation marks”	Chapter within a document Rights on a role Job tasks within a job definition	Refer to the “Logic Rules” chapter. Feature requires the “Print the Event Listing Report” right.

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	Note	Notes provide extra details about a topic or step.
	Caution	Caution messages indicate that a specific action could cause an error in the system.
	Warning	Warning messages indicate that a specific action could cause an interruption of service.
	Danger	Danger messages indicate that a specific action could damage the database infrastructure or hardware.



1 System Overview

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Capabilities
- ◆ Release 2022.2, 2022.3, 2022.4, and 2022.5 Enhancements

The Odyssey® File & Serve™ application enables registered users to file documents with the court anytime, anywhere, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This highly automated, scalable system provides clients the opportunity to transition from an inefficient, paper-based process to a streamlined, technology-based electronic filing (e-filing) system.

Capabilities

The File & Serve functionality allows filers to do the following:

- Create and submit filings at any time
- Check the status of draft filings, as well as filings that are stored in the filing history
- Search for a case that was previously submitted
- File into an existing case to create a subsequent filing
- Bookmark a case to return to it at a later time
- Create and save a template that you can use to quickly create future filings
- Create and store payment accounts for use in your future filings
- Create and manage service contacts for use in your future filings
- Generate reports for a specified time frame and export them to a Microsoft Excel file, which you can then download

Release 2022.2, 2022.3, 2022.4, and 2022.5 Enhancements

The following enhancements have been made to File & Serve for Release 2022.2, 2022.3, 2022.4, and 2022.5.

Feature/Update	Description/Location in Document
The user interface for File & Serve has been changed.	Throughout the document, all screen shots for the application have been replaced.
The filing flow has been changed to improve the user experience when the user is creating a case filing.	Throughout the document, the steps in procedures have been changed to reflect changes in the filing flow.
The ability to add the current filer as a service contact in a case filing has been added.	Adding Yourself as a Service Contact to a Filing, page 156
The Merge Document feature has been added.	Merging Documents for File Upload in a Case Filing, page 71

2 Before You Begin

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ System Requirements and Recommendations
- ◆ Page Navigation
- ◆ Keyboard Shortcuts
- ◆ Drop-Down Lists
- ◆ Error Messages
- ◆ Orientation

This guide is intended for individual filers (pro se/self-represented litigants).

Before you begin, review this information to successfully use the software.

Note: Depending on your setup, all features may not be available. As a result, your screen may vary from what is shown in this document.

System Requirements and Recommendations

The system requirements and recommendations are as follows:

- Browser Requirements—The system supports Chrome™; Mozilla® Firefox®; Microsoft® Edge®; or Safari® application programs. If your browser does not meet these minimum requirements, please contact your network administrator.

Note: Internet Explorer® is not a supported browser and may not work as expected.

- Operating Systems—The system supports Microsoft® Windows®, Linux®, Chrome OS™, Android™, iOS, and OS X® desktop class operating system software.
- Minimum Hardware Requirements—The system supports the following hardware:
 - Intel® Core™ Duo processors or Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (AMD) processors manufactured in 2012 or later
 - 2 gigabytes (GB) of random-access memory (RAM)
 - 1366 x 768 resolution screens for desktop computers, or 1280 x 720 resolution screens for mobile devices
- Recommended Hardware—Tyler recommends the following hardware:
 - Intel® Core™ i3 or AMD A6 processors with at least a 2.0 GHz clock speed
 - 4 GB of RAM
 - 1920 x 1080 resolution for both desktop computers and mobile devices
- Connection Recommendation—A high-speed Internet connection is recommended.
- Document Format—The following document formats are supported:
 - Adobe® PDF
 - Adobe TIFF
 - Microsoft Windows Media Video (WMV)

- Microsoft Word (DOCX, DOC)
- MPEG (MPG)
- WordPerfect® (WPD)
- XML

Page Navigation

This section describes how to navigate through File & Serve and populate data fields throughout the filing process.

Using the Mouse

You can use the mouse to move from field to field on a page, as well as to make selections from drop-down lists in a field. When you have completed the required fields on a specified page, you can save your entries and move to the next page by clicking the navigation button in the lower right corner of the page. If you skipped a required field on that page, the system prompts you to enter data in that field before moving to the next page.


Using the Keyboard

As you complete the pages for your filing, you can navigate from one field to the next by pressing TAB. When you have completed the required fields on a specified page, you can save your entries and move to the next page by pressing TAB after the last field.

Keyboard Shortcuts

You can access the keyboard shortcuts from the **Help** drop-down list.

To access keyboard shortcuts:

1. Click  in the eFile header.
The **Help** drop-down list is displayed.

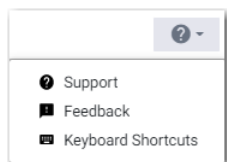


Figure 2.1 – Help Drop-Down List

2. Click **Keyboard Shortcuts**.
The *Keyboard Shortcuts* window is displayed.

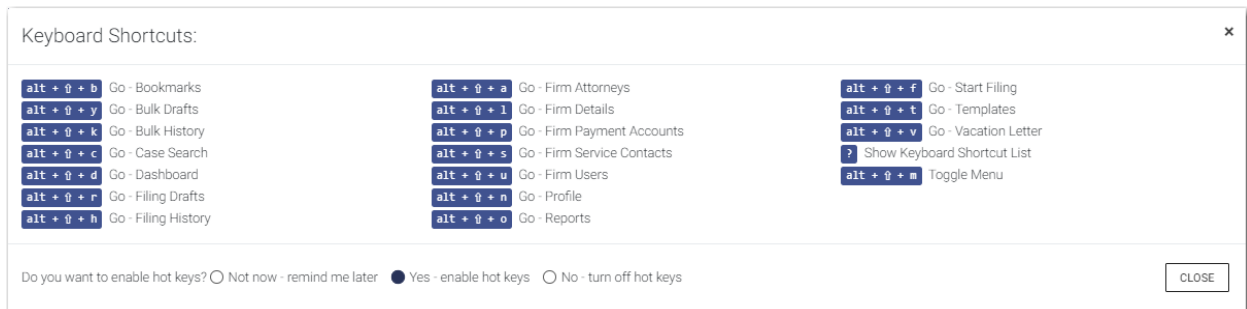


Figure 2.2 – Keyboard Shortcuts Window

3. Select the option that you want. You can turn hot keys on or off, or you can set a reminder to enable the hot keys at a later time.

Drop-Down Lists

The application allows you to search and filter various drop-down lists to quickly find the selection that you want.

The search function allows you to type the name of the item that you want to locate in the search field. The search function can be used in the following drop-down lists:

- **Court Location** field on the *Case Information* page
- **Location** field on the *Case Search* page
- **Case Category** field
- **Case Type** field
- **Party Type** field
- **Filing Code** field
- **Payment Account** field on the *Fees* page
- **Filing Attorney** field on the *Fees* page

Note: The **Filing Attorney** field may not be available for some users.

Error Messages

File & Serve displays several error messages to alert you when you have not entered required information or you have entered invalid information.

Enter Data in Required Fields

Required fields are indicated by a red asterisk. If you have not entered information in the required fields, you will receive error messages when you try to advance to the next page.

Note: Required fields may vary in different sections.

Orientation

When you sign in to File & Serve, the *Dashboard* page is displayed. From here, you can select various filing options.

Dashboard Page

From the *Dashboard* page, you can start a filing, access your filing history, access your draft filings, perform a case search, access the cases you have bookmarked, and access your saved templates.

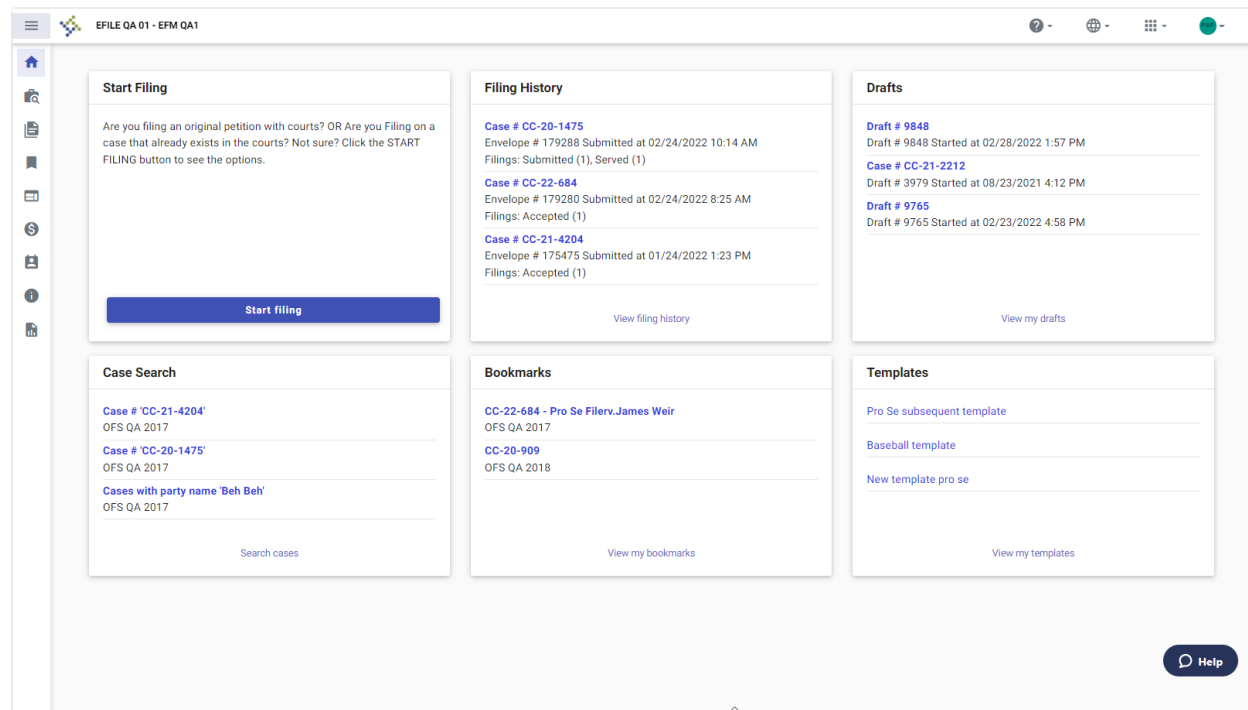


Figure 2.3 – Dashboard Page

Case Search

On the Dashboard menu, click **Case Search**. From here, you can search for an existing case or file into an existing case. Advanced search features are available if you search by either a party name or a business name.

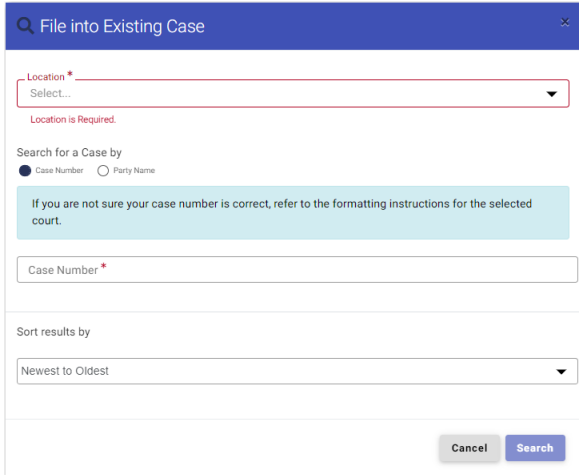


Figure 2.4 – Example of a File into Existing Case Window

Note: Your system may be configured to search only by case number. With this optional configuration, the Party Name option is not displayed.

If your search does not produce any results, click  to return to the *Dashboard* page.

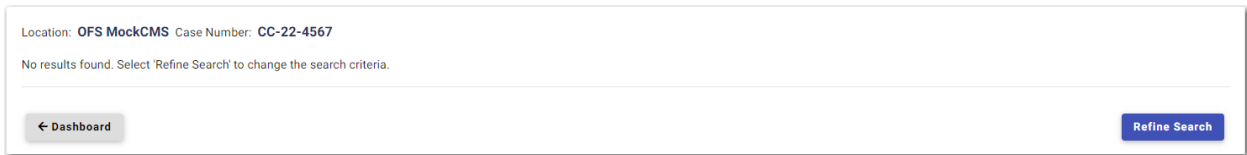


Figure 2.5 – Case Search Page with No Search Results Displayed

Filing History

On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**. From here, you can view your filing history. You can also view the details for a specified case, file into an existing case, or view the service contacts attached to the case.

Filing History Filter

Status

All Statuses

Accepted

Cancelled

Receipted

Served

Returned

Submitted

Submitting

Location

Any Location ▼

Case / Envelope Number

Case Number

Envelope Number

Sort By

Newest to Oldest ▼

Date Range

Anytime

Last Month

Last Week

Last Two Days

Today

Pick a Custom Range

From Date 📅

To Date 📅

Filing History
Filing Drafts

28 Results(0) Page 1 of 2

Case # CC-20-1475
Julia Reedv.Sam Muir

Envelope # 179288 Submitted 02/24/2022 10:14 AM by Pro Se Filer

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		

Case # CC-22-684
Pro Se Filerv.James Weir

Envelope # 179280 Submitted 02/24/2022 8:26 AM by Pro Se Filer

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		

Case # CC-21-4204
Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates

Envelope # 175475 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:23 PM by Pro Se Filer

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		

Case # CC-21-3714
Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall

Envelope # 175474 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:17 PM by Pro Se Filer

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Envelope # 175472

Envelope # 175472 Submitted 01/24/2022 11:32 AM by Pro Se Filer

Figure 2.6 – Filing History Page

Filing Drafts

On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing Drafts**. From here, you can view a list of your draft filings, resume a draft filing, delete a draft filing, or file into an existing case.

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The screenshot displays the 'Filing Drafts' page. On the left is a 'Filing Drafts Filter' sidebar with sections for 'Location' (Any Location), 'Case / Draft Number' (Case Number, Draft Number), 'Sort By' (Newest to Oldest), and 'Date Range' (Anytime, Last Month, Last Week, Last Two Days, Today, Pick a Custom Range). The main area shows a list of drafts with columns for Filing Status, Filing Code, Filing Type, Filing Description, and Client Ref #. Each draft entry includes a title (e.g., Draft # 9848), a start time, and a table of details. A 'Help' button is visible in the bottom right corner.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Draft	Action - Initial Only	EfileAndServe	Action - Initial Only	
Draft	Fee Split Filing Code	Efile	Fee Split Filing Code	
Draft	Abstract Of Judgment	Efile	Abstract Of Judgment	
Draft	Action - Initial Only	Efile	Action - Initial Only	
Draft	Abstract Of Judgment	Efile	Abstract Of Judgment	

Figure 2.7 – Filing Drafts Page

Bookmarks

On the Dashboard menu, click **Bookmarks**. From here, you can access the cases that you have bookmarked. You can file into an existing case, view the service contacts attached to the case, file into the case with a template, or remove the bookmark from the case.

The screenshot shows a 'Bookmarks Page' with a sidebar on the left containing filter options: 'Bookmark Filter', 'Case Location', 'Any Location' (dropdown), 'Case Number', 'Case Description', and 'Case Description'. Below these are 'Reset' and 'Filter' buttons. The main content area displays a list of six case entries, each with a 'Case #' and 'Location'. The entries are:

- Case #: CC-20-1475, Location: OFS QA 2017, Case Description: Julia Reedv.Sam Muir
- Case #: CC-21-2477, Location: (blank), Case Description: (blank)
- Case #: CC-21-2479, Location: OFS QA 2017, Case Description: (blank)
- Case #: CC-21-2499, Location: OFS QA 2017, Case Description: Henry Ford vs Jane Doe
- Case #: CC-21-493, Location: OFS QA 2014, Case Description: Fran Klinv.Henderson and Associates
- Case #: CV-2021-019900, Location: OFS MockCMS, Case Description: Henry Doe vs Maria Jones

Each entry has a set of four icons: a folder, a document, a magnifying glass, and a vertical ellipsis. At the bottom, there are 'Previous' and 'Next' navigation buttons, a page indicator '1', and a status bar showing '6 Result(s) Page 1 of 1'. A 'Help' button is located in the bottom right corner.

Figure 2.8 – Example of a Bookmarks Page

Templates

On the Dashboard menu, click **Templates**. From here, you can access the templates that you previously created. You can create a new case filing, edit an existing template, copy a template, or delete a template.

The screenshot shows the 'Templates Page' with a 'Filter by:' section at the top. It includes a 'Filter Type' dropdown set to 'My Templates', a 'Name' input field with '(optional)' below it, and 'Filter' and 'Reset' buttons. An '+ Add Template' button is on the right. Below the filter section is a table of templates:

Favorite	Name	Type	Actions
☆	Pro Se subsequent template	Existing Case	[Edit] [More]
☆	Baseball template	New Case	[Folder] [Edit] [More]
☆	New template pro se	New Case	[Folder] [Edit] [More]

At the bottom, there are 'Previous' and 'Next' navigation buttons, a page indicator '1', and a status bar showing '3 Result(s) Page 1 of 1'.

Figure 2.9 – Templates Page

My Payment Accounts

On the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**. From here, you can view your existing payment accounts, add a new payment account, edit an existing account, or delete an existing account.

Payment Accounts + Add Payment Account

Filter by:

(optional)

Account Name	Payment Type	Expires	Status	Actions
01.24.2022 CC	VISA ****1881	11/2029	Inactive	
CC 2.24.2022	AMEX ****8431	11/2035	Active	
Mastercard	MASTERCARD ****5454	12/2028	Active	
New waiver	Waiver		Active	
Pro se cc	VISA ****1881	5/2025	Active	
Pro se Discover	DISCOVER ****1117	11/2029	Active	
waiver	Waiver		Active	

Previous 1 Next
7 Result(s) Page 1 of 1

Figure 2.10 – Payment Accounts Page

My Service Contacts

On the Dashboard menu, click **My Service Contacts**. From here, you can view your service contacts, add a new service contact, edit an existing service contact, view the attached cases for a specified service contact, or delete a service contact.

+ Add Service Contact

First Name	Last Name	Email Address	Actions
Lilly	Dog	lilly94321.dog@gmail.com	
Tasha	Dogster	Tasha.dogster@gmail.com	
Lauren	Groswald	*****@gmail.com	
Bobby	Smith	bobby.smith@gmail.com	
Ruby	Smith	ruby@smith.com	
Phillip	Walters		

Previous 1 Next
1 - 6 of 6

Figure 2.11 – Service Contacts Page

My Information

On the Dashboard menu, click **My Information**. From here, you can view or edit your personal information.

My Information

Country
United States

Address Line 1*
123 Main st

Address Line 2
(optional)

City*
Plano

State*
Texas

Zip Code*
75024

Phone Number*
1234567899

Save

Figure 2.12 – My Information Page

Reports


On the Dashboard menu, click **Reports**. From here, you can generate a report that can be used to reconcile financial transactions for envelopes and filings that you submitted.


Reports

Useful when reconciling financial transactions against envelopes submitted during a selectable time frame up to 60 days. * Provides envelope and filing level information specific to fees. * Delivered in an Excel spreadsheet to allow for filtering and searching.

Location
 All [Select](#)

Status
 All Statuses
 Accepted
 Cancelled
 Receipted
 Returned
 Reviewed
 Served
 Submission Failed
 Submitted

Date From* 
Date From is Required.

Date To* 
Date To is Required.

Cancel [Download Report](#)

Figure 2.13 – Reports Page

3 E-Filing Overview

Topics covered in this chapter

◆ Filing Queue Status

This chapter describes the e-filing process.

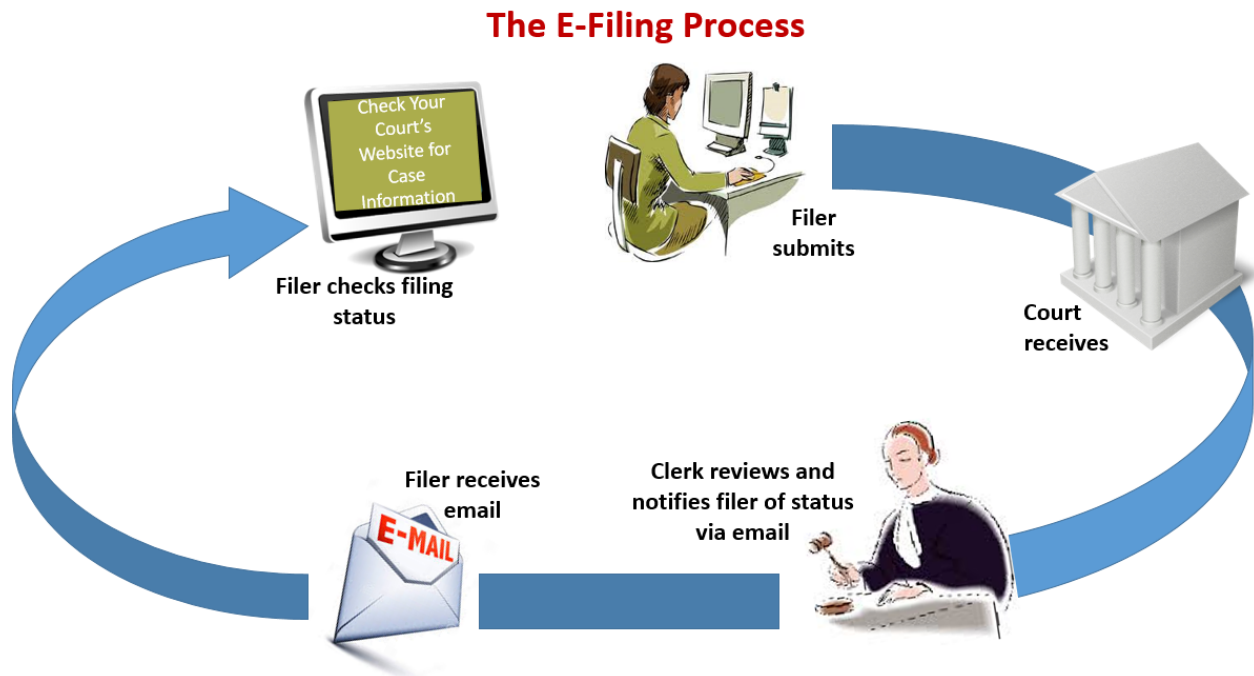


Figure 3.1 – The E-Filing Process

Once a user has registered to use ® File & Serve™, he or she can electronically submit documents (referred to as “filings”) to the court. When the user submits the filing, the filing is electronically delivered to the clerk’s inbox. The clerk then reviews the filing and either accepts, rejects, or returns the filing.

If the clerk accepts the filing, the case is docketed and set to appear in the clerk’s case management system. The clerk sends an email to the filer with the case status, along with any pertinent information regarding the case. If the option for service was selected during the filing, service is electronically sent to the contacts on the case.

If the filing is rejected, the clerk sends an email to the filer with a reason for the rejection. In addition, a status of Rejected is displayed on the *Filing History* page.

If the filer has questions regarding the filing or the case, it is recommended that the filer contact the local court.

Filing Queue Status

The filing queue status lets you know where you are in the e-filing process. The filing status key represents the status listed for your filing.

The following filing status key table describes the status associated with each filing type.

Note: EFO means EFile Only, EFS means EfileAndServe, and SO means Service Only.

Status	Filing Type	Definition
Draft	EFO, EFS, SO	The filer has entered full or partial filing data, but has not yet submitted the filing.
Submitting	EFO, EFS, SO	The filer has submitted the filing, and all of the data is being verified.
Submitted	EFO, EFS, SO	The filing was submitted successfully and is in the Review Queue, but the clerk has not yet started the review. The filer can cancel one or more filings that are in this status.
Court Processing	EFO, EFS, SO	Some additional action needs to be taken by the court.
Under Review	EFO, EFS	A clerk reviewer has selected a filing from a queue. Note: Once a filing reaches the Under Review status, it cannot return to the Submitted status. Selecting the End Review option retains the Under Review status and returns the filing to the queue.
Received	EFO, EFS	The filing has been acknowledged by the court as received, but it is not being transmitted to the case management system to become part of the court record. The filing may or may not be part of the proposed order workflow.
Accepted	EFO, EFS	The reviewer has reviewed the filing and accepted it.
Rejected	EFO, EFS	The reviewer has reviewed the filing and rejected it.
Returned	EFO, EFS	The reviewer has reviewed and returned the filing because the filer must take additional action.
Served	SO	Service Only (SO) filings are completed.

Status	Filing Type	Definition
Service Incomplete (Service Only filings)	SO	One or more servings failed; the service was incomplete. Example: The email or domain was rejected.
Canceled	EFO, EFS, SO	The filer has canceled the filing. The filer can cancel only draft and submitted filings.
Submission Failed	EFO, EFS	A file format or billing error has occurred when the filer submitted the filing. Failure specifics are available on the <i>Details</i> page, and the filer is notified of the specifics through email.

4 Landing Page

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Registering as an Individual Filer
- ◆ Resetting a Forgotten Password
- ◆ Updating User Information

The *Landing* page serves as the gateway to File & Serve. From this page, you can register or sign in to File & Serve.

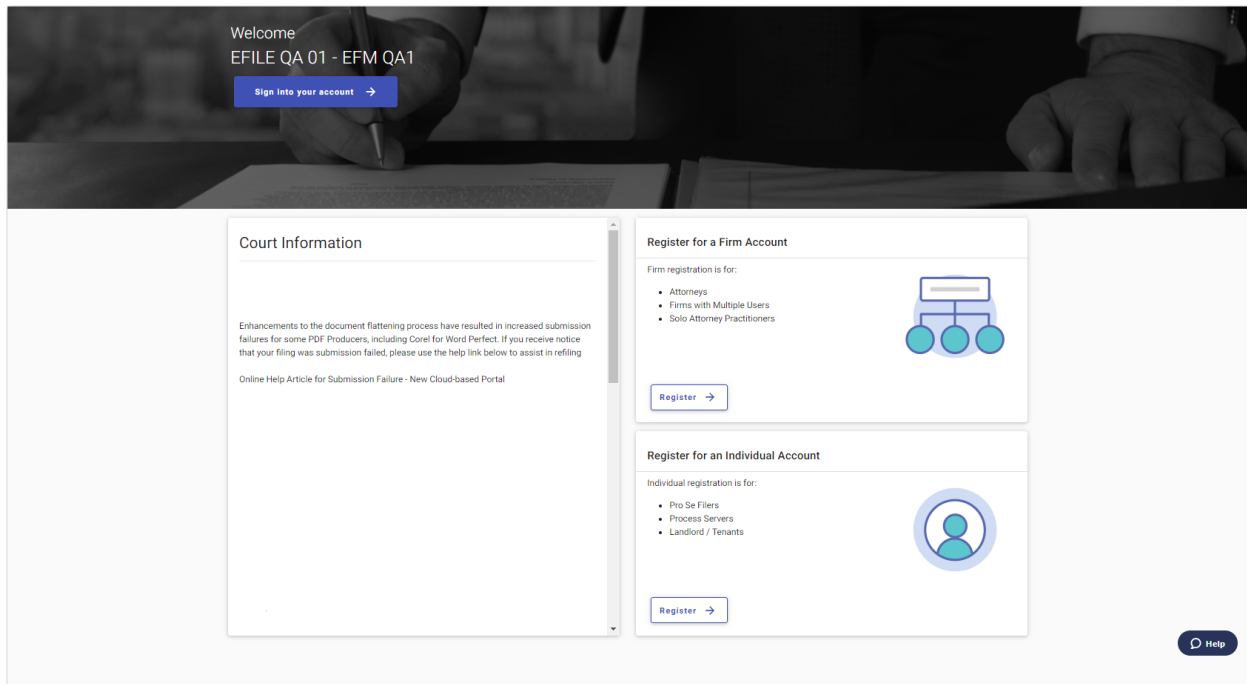


Figure 4.1 – Example of an eFile Landing Page

Registering as an Individual Filer

You can register as an individual filer if you are a single user of File & Serve, and if it is allowed by your court. The term “single user” refers to a user who is neither associated with nor represented by any firm.

Note: Refer to your local court’s website before registering as an individual filer, as registration options may vary or may not be permitted by your court.

To register as an individual filer:

[Register →](#)

1. On the *Landing* page, click [Register →](#).

The *Individual Account Registration* page is displayed.

Note: There is no fee to sign up for e-filing.

Account Registration

Individual Account Registration

Individual registration is for:

- Pro Se Filers
- Process Servers
- Landlord / Tenants

Account Credentials

Email Address *

Password *

Password requirements:

- Must contain 8 characters.
- Must contain one uppercase letter.
- Must contain one lowercase letter.
- Must contain either a number or symbol.

User Information

First Name *

Middle Name

Last Name *

Country
United States

Address Line 1 *

Address Line 2

City * State *
Select... Zip Code *

Phone Number *

I agree to the [Terms and Conditions](#)


Register

Help

Figure 4.2 – Example of an Individual Account Registration Page

2. Complete the required fields.
3. Select the **I agree to the Terms and Conditions** check box.

Note: Tyler recommends that you click the link to read the **Terms and Conditions** before selecting the check box. The **Terms and Conditions** are displayed in a separate tab in your browser. After you have read the **Terms and Conditions**, close the tab and return to the *Individual Account Registration* page.

4. Click  .

The *Registration Successful* page is displayed.

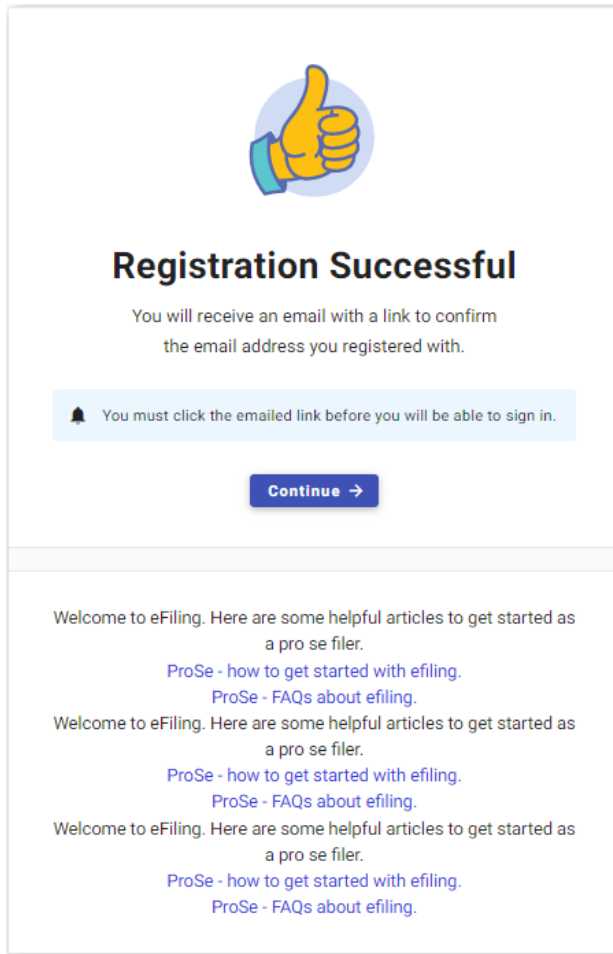
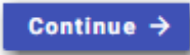


Figure 4.3 – Registration Successful Page

5. Check your inbox for the activation email from File & Serve.

Note: You must verify your email address to complete the registration process. A verification email (from File & Serve) will be sent to you. Open the email and click the link to confirm your email address. If you do not see the email in your inbox, check your junk mail folder for the email.


After you verify your email address, your registration is complete.

6. You can now navigate to the *Landing* page to sign in, or click  on the *Registration Successful* page.

Resetting a Forgotten Password

If you have forgotten your password, you can reset it from the *Sign In* page.

To reset your password:

1. On the *Sign In* page, click .

The *Reset Password* window is displayed.

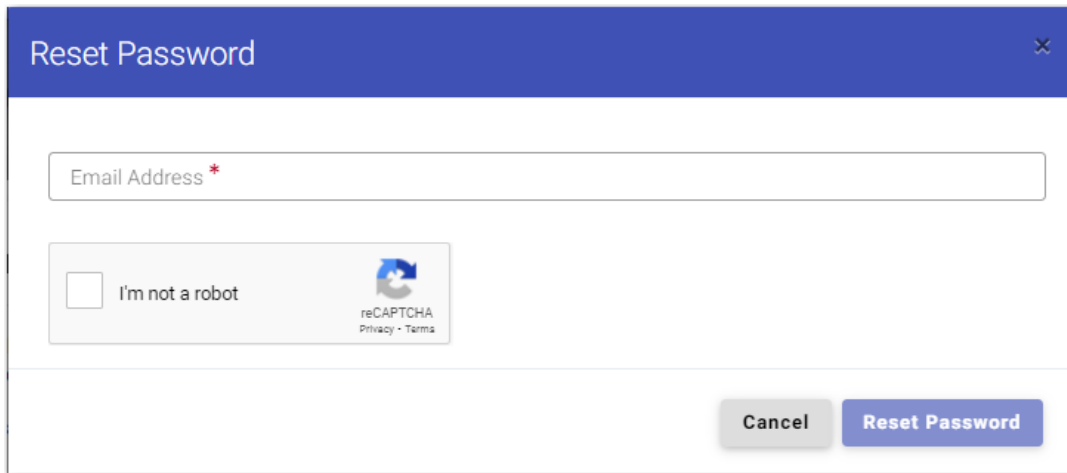


Figure 4.4 – Reset Password Window

2. Type the email address that you provided during the registration process in the **Email Address** field.
3. Select the **I'm not a robot** check box.

A window is displayed from which you must select specified images.

Note: Depending on your browser, you may not see the images.

4. Click the requested images, and then click .

Note: If you do not select the correct images, a new window is displayed, from which you can try again.

5. After selecting the correct images, click .

A new *Reset Password* window is displayed, directing you to check your email to complete the password reset process.

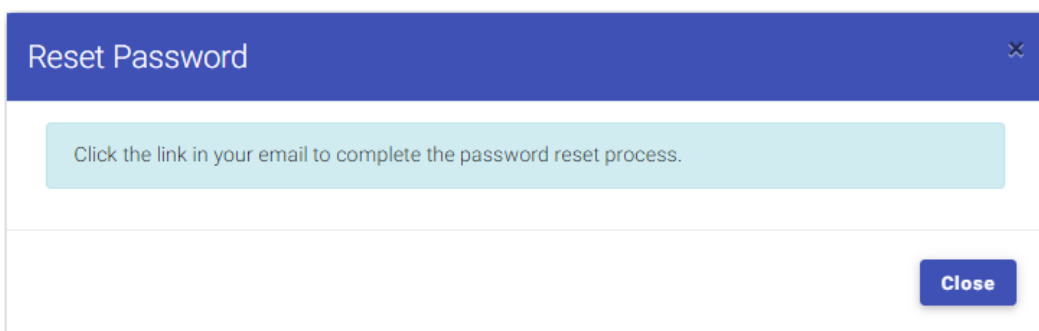


Figure 4.5 – Reset Password Window—Complete Reset Process

6. Check your email inbox.
7. Locate the email from File & Serve.

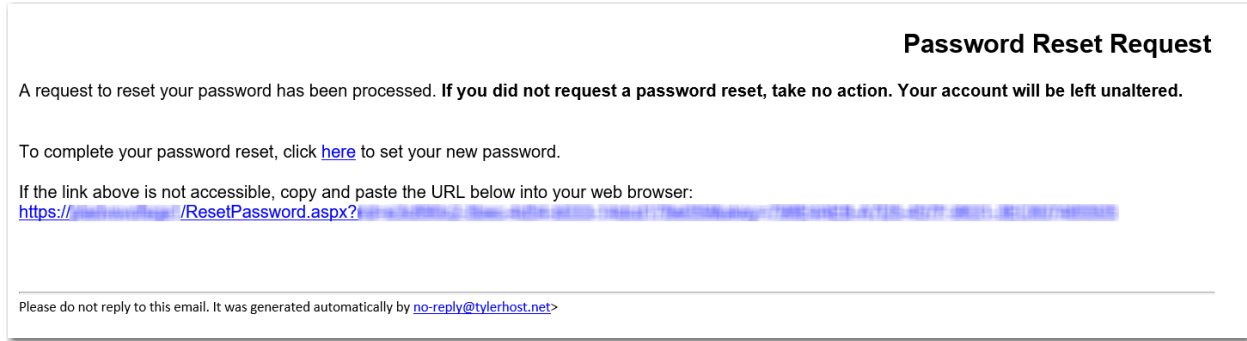


Figure 4.6 – Example of the Password Reset Request Email

8. Click **here** to reset your password.

You are prompted to create a new password.

9. Type a new password in the **New Password** field.

Note: Your password is case-sensitive and must be at least eight characters in length with at least one lowercase letter, one uppercase letter, and one number or symbol.

10. Retype your new password in the **Repeat New Password** field.

11. Click **Change Password**.

A confirmation page displays the following message: Your password has been changed successfully.

Updating User Information

You can update your personal information.

To update your personal information:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Information**.

The *My Information* page is displayed.

My Information

Country
United States

Address Line 1 *
123 Main st

Address Line 2
(optional)

City *
Plano


State *
Texas

Zip Code *
75024

Phone Number *
1234567899

Save

Figure 4.7 – Example of a My Information Page

- 2. Update any information as needed, and then click  .

5 Sign In and Sign Out

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Signing In
- ◆ Signing Out

All users are required to sign in to File & Serve to be able to e-file and e-serve documents or to check the status of an existing filing. It is also a best practice for users to sign out after they have completed their transactions.

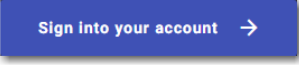
Signing In

Sign in to the application by using the email address and password that you provided during the registration process. You must sign in to be able to e-file or e-serve documents.

Note: Click  to register if you have not registered before.

To sign in to the application:

1. Navigate to the File & Serve *Landing* page.

2. Click .

3. Type your email address and password (which is case-sensitive).

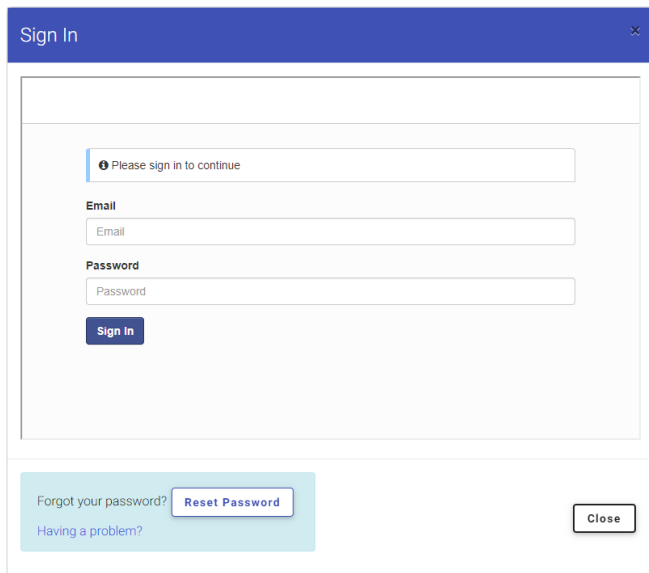


Figure 5.1 – Example of a Sign In Page

4. Click .

Note: After you make several failed attempts to sign in to the system, your account is locked. You can unlock your account by clicking [Forgot your password?](#)

Once you have successfully signed in, you can begin to e-file and e-serve documents.

Signing Out

This section describes how to sign out of File & Serve.

To sign out of the application:

1. Click the drop-down arrow at the top right of the header next to your initials.

The *Manage Account* window is displayed.

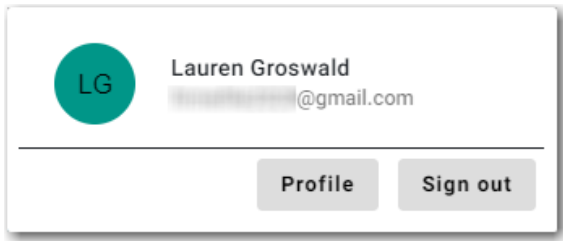



Figure 5.2 – Manage Account Window

2. Click  .

You are now signed out of the application.

6 Manage Account

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Changing Your User Password
- ◆ Updating the User Profile
- ◆ Updating Preferences
- ◆ Selecting Email Notifications

You can manage some of your account settings when you are signed in to File & Serve.

You can perform the following actions:

- Change your password
- Update your user profile
- Update your preferences for the following features:
 - Enabling or disabling hot keys in File & Serve
 - Enabling or disabling the Document Merge feature
- Select your email notifications regarding your case filings

Changing Your User Password

You can change your password on the *Change Password* page.

To change your password:

1. Click the drop-down arrow at the top right of the header next to your initials.

The *Manage Account* window is displayed.

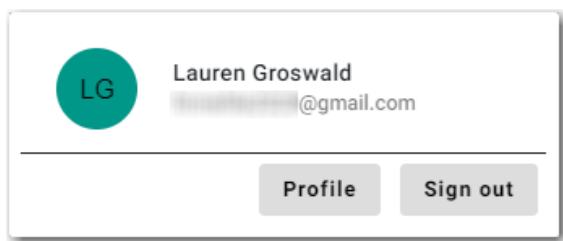


Figure 6.1 – Manage Account Window

2. Click .

The *Profile* page is displayed.

3. Click **Change Password**.

The *Change Password* page is displayed.

The screenshot shows a web interface for changing a password. At the top, there is a navigation bar with four tabs: 'Change Password' (highlighted in blue), 'Profile', 'Preferences', and 'Email Notifications'. Below the navigation bar, the main content area is titled 'Change Password'. It contains three text input fields: 'Old Password *', 'New Password *', and 'Re-enter New Password (optional)'. A blue 'Save' button is positioned at the bottom right of the form area.

Figure 6.2 – Change Password Page

4. Type the old password in the **Old Password** field.
5. Type the new password in the **New Password** field.

Note: Your password is case-sensitive and must be at least eight characters in length with at least one lowercase letter, one uppercase letter, and one number or symbol.

6. Retype the new password in the **Re-enter New Password** field.

7. Click  .

Your password is changed.

Updating the User Profile

You can update your user profile on the *Profile* page.

To update your user profile:

1. Click the drop-down arrow at the top right of the header next to your initials.

The *Manage Account* window is displayed.

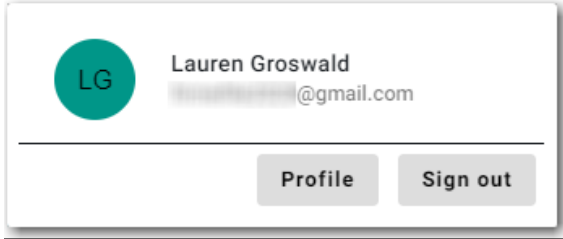
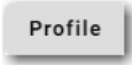



Figure 6.3 – Manage Account Window

- Click .

The *Profile* page is displayed.

Figure 6.4 – Profile Page

- Verify that your name is displayed correctly, and make changes, if needed.
- Verify that your email address is correct, and make changes, if needed.
- Click .

Updating Preferences

You can update your preferences for Hot Keys and the Document Merge feature on the *Profile* page.

To update your preferences:

- Click the drop-down arrow at the top right of the header next to your initials.

The *Manage Account* window is displayed.

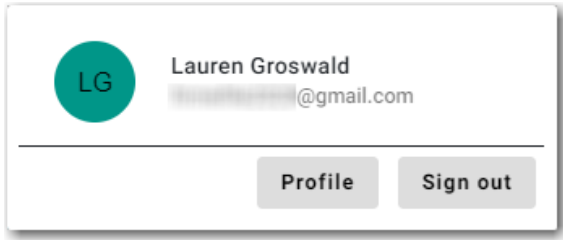


Figure 6.5 – Manage Account Window

2. Click  .

The *Profile* page is displayed.

3. Click **Preferences**.

The *Preferences* page is displayed.

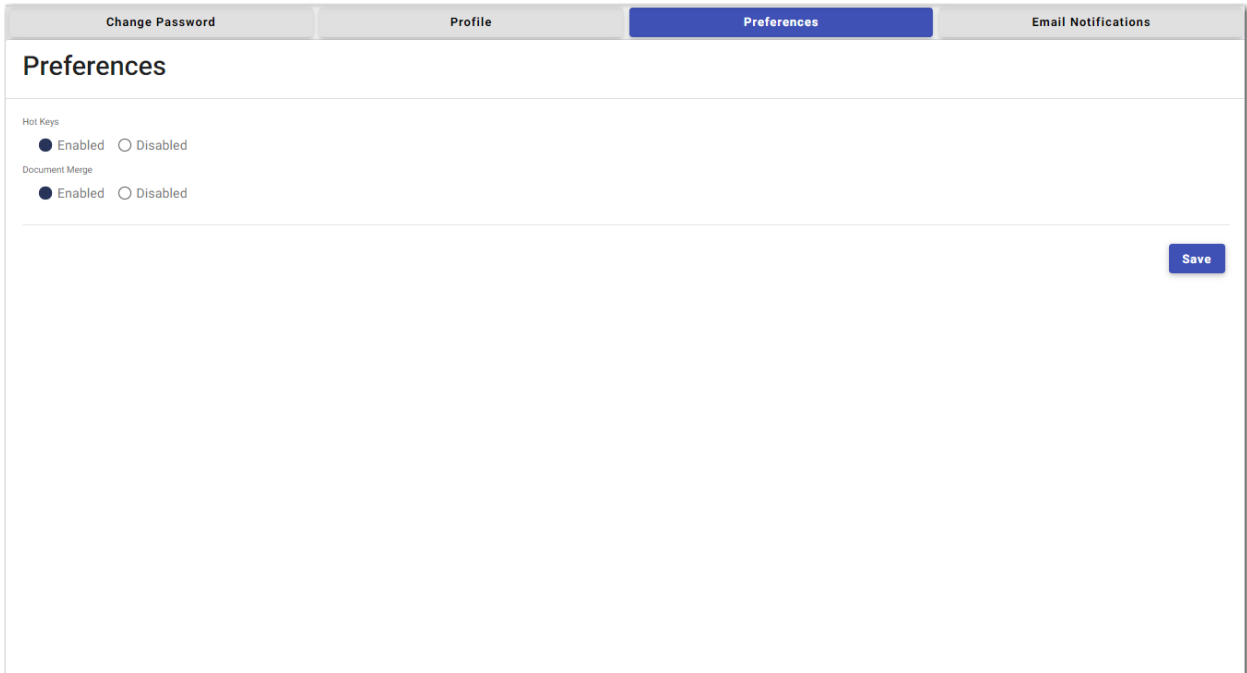


Figure 6.6 – Preferences Page

4. Select either the **Enabled** option or the **Disabled** option for Hot Keys.
5. Select either the **Enabled** option or the **Disabled** option for the Document Merge feature.

6. Click  .

Selecting Email Notifications

You can select the email notifications that you want to receive for case filings on the *Email Notifications* page.

To select your email notifications:

1. Click the drop-down arrow at the top right of the header next to your initials.

The *Manage Account* window is displayed.

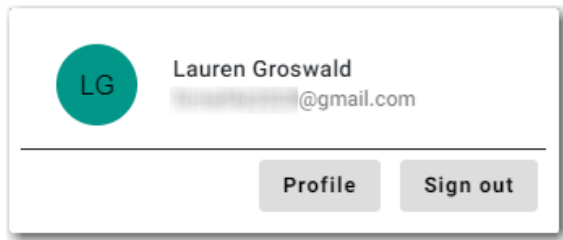


Figure 6.7 – Manage Account Window

2. Click .

The *Profile* page is displayed.

3. Click **Email Notifications**.

The *Email Notifications* page is displayed.

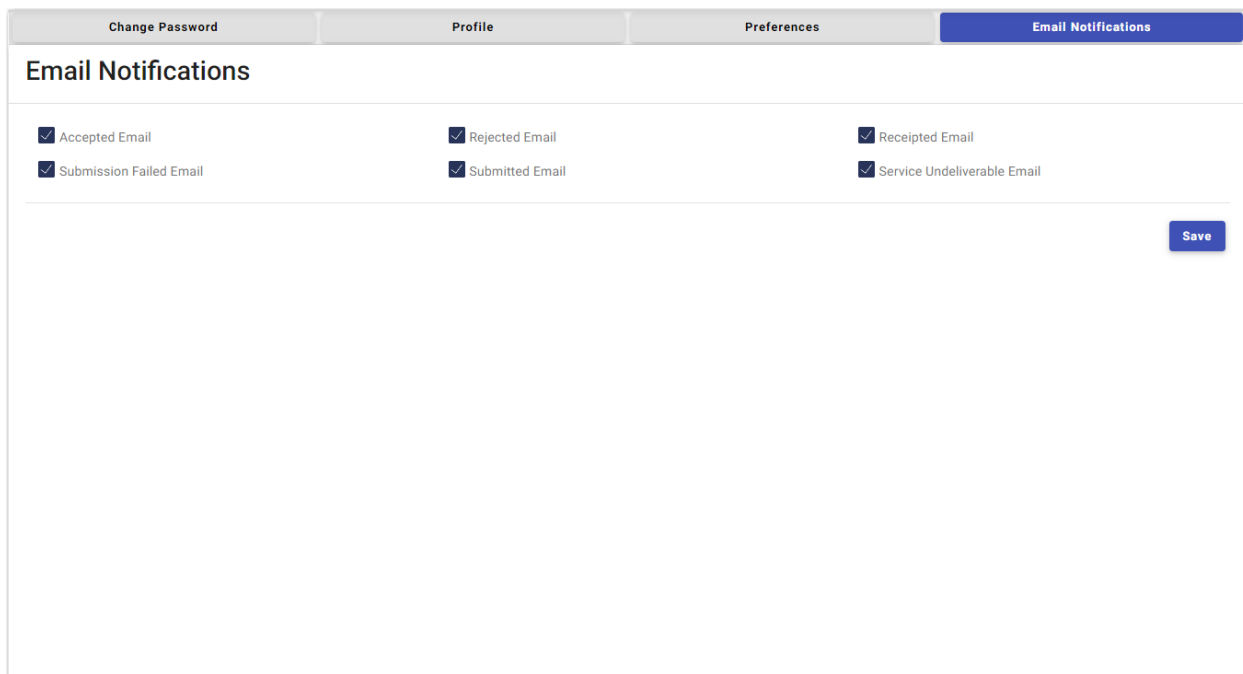


Figure 6.8 – Email Notifications Page

4. Select the check box for each type of email notification that you want to receive for your case filings.

5. Click  .

7 Dashboard

Topics covered in this chapter

◆ Dashboard Page

The Dashboard provides a drop-down list for filer actions.

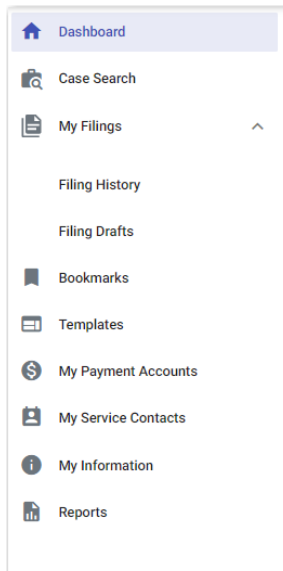


Figure 7.1 – Dashboard

From the Dashboard, you can perform the following actions:

- Access the *Dashboard* page to start a filing, perform a case search, view your filing history, view your draft filings, access the cases you have bookmarked, and access the templates you have created.
- File into an existing case on the *Case Search* page.
- Access the *Filing History* page to view a list of your case filings.
- Access the *Filing Drafts* page to view a list of your draft filings.
- Access the *Bookmarks* page to view a list of cases that you have bookmarked for quick access.
- Access the *Templates* page to locate an existing template and quickly begin a new case filing.
- Access the *Payment Accounts* page to set up and manage payment accounts.
- Access the *Service Contacts* page to add and manage your service contacts list.
- View and update your profile information on the *My Information* page.
- Access the *Reports* page to generate reports for envelopes and filings that you submitted.

Dashboard Page

From the *Dashboard* page, you can start a new filing, perform a case search, access your filing history, access your draft filings, view cases that you have bookmarked, and locate an existing template or create a new template to use in a new case filing.

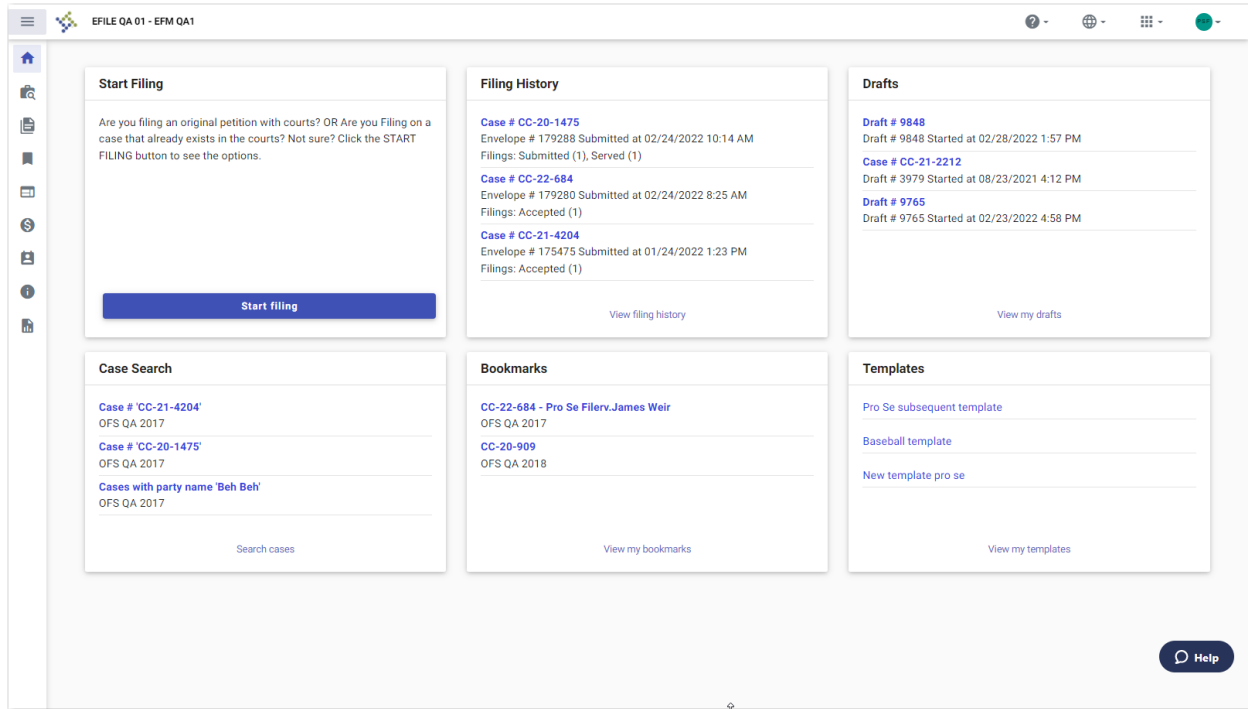
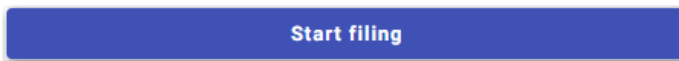


Figure 7.2 – Dashboard Page

Start Filing



Click  to start a new case filing or to file into an existing case.



Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

Filing History

Click **See Filing History** to access the *Filing History* page. From here, you can view the status of your filing, check the filing type, get a document description, see the number assigned to your case, review the details of the case, view the service contacts attached to a case, and cancel a filing.

Filing History Filter

Status

All Statuses

Accepted

Cancelled

Receipted

Served

Returned

Submitted

Submitting

Location

Any Location ▼

Case / Envelope Number

Case Number

Envelope Number

Sort By

Newest to Oldest ▼

Date Range

Anytime

Last Month

Last Week

Last Two Days

Today

Pick a Custom Range

From Date 📅

To Date 📅

Reset Filter

Filing History
Filing Drafts

28 Results(0) Page 1 of 2

Case # CC-20-1475

Julia Reedv.Sam Muir

Envelope # 179288 Submitted 02/24/2022 10:14 AM by Pro Se Filer

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Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		

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Case # CC-22-684

Pro Se Filerv.James Weir

Envelope # 179280 Submitted 02/24/2022 8:26 AM by Pro Se Filer

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Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		

Case # CC-21-4204

Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates

Envelope # 175475 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:23 PM by Pro Se Filer

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Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		

Case # CC-21-3714

Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall

Envelope # 175474 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:17 PM by Pro Se Filer

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Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

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Envelope # 175472

Envelope # 175472 Submitted 01/24/2022 11:32 AM by Pro Se Filer

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Figure 7.3 – Filing History Page

Drafts

Click **View My Drafts** to access the *Filing Drafts* page. From here, you can view your draft filings, resume a filing, or cancel a draft filing.

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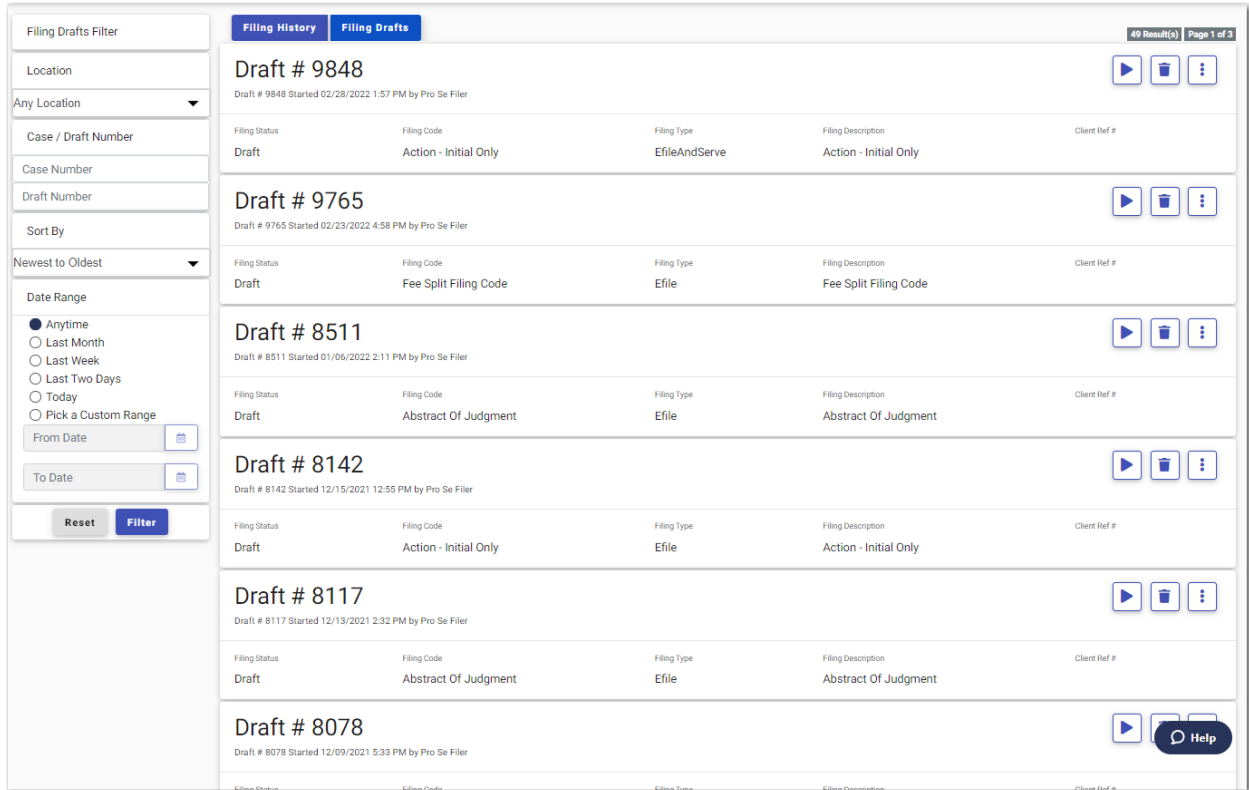


Figure 7.4 – Filing Drafts Page

Case Search

Click **Search Cases** to search for a case in the system. From here, you can search for an existing case or file into an existing case. Advanced search features are available if you search by either a party name or a business name.

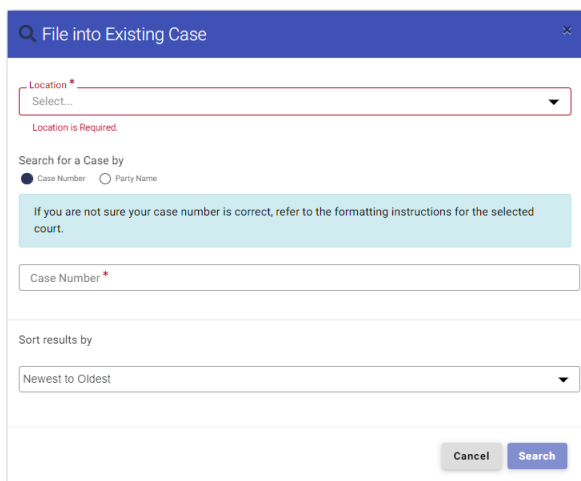


Figure 7.5 – Example of a File into Existing Case Window

Note: Your system may be configured to search only by case number. With this optional configuration, the Party Name option is not displayed.

If your search does not produce any results, click  to return to the *Dashboard* page.

Location: **OFS MockCMS** Case Number: **CC-22-4567**

No results found. Select 'Refine Search' to change the search criteria.



























[Refine Search](#)

Figure 7.6 – Case Search Page with No Search Results Displayed

Bookmarks

Click **Bookmarks** to access a list of cases that you have bookmarked for quick access.

6 Result(s) | Page 1 of 1

Bookmark Filter	Case #	Location	
Case Location	CC-20-1475	OFS QA 2017	   
Any Location	Case Description Julia Reedv.Sam Muir		
Case Number	CC-21-2477	Location	   
Case Description	CC-21-2479	OFS QA 2017	   
Case Description	CC-21-2499	OFS QA 2017	   
Reset Filter	Case Description Henry Ford vs Jane Doe		
	CC-21-493	OFS QA 2014	   
	CV-2021-019900	OFS MockCMS	   
	Case Description Henry Doe vs Maria Jones		

Previous 1 Next
6 Result(s) | Page 1 of 1

[Help](#)

Figure 7.7 – Example of a Bookmarks Page

Templates

Click **Templates** to locate a template to use in your case filing or to create a new template for future use.









Filter by:

Filter Type
My Templates ▼

Name (optional)

Filter **Reset**

+ Add Template

Favorite	Name	Type	Actions
☆	Pro Se subsequent template	Existing Case	 
☆	Baseball template	New Case	  
☆	New template pro se	New Case	  

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3 Result(s) Page 1 of 1

Figure 7.8 – Templates Page

8 Payment Accounts

Topics covered in this chapter

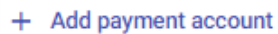
- ◆ Adding a Waiver Payment Account
- ◆ Adding a Credit Card Payment Account
- ◆ Adding an E-Check Payment Account
- ◆ Adding a Draw-Down Account
- ◆ Editing a Payment Account
- ◆ Deleting a Payment Account

You must set up a payment account to submit a filing to the court.

You can set up a payment account from the Dashboard menu or from the *Fees* page while you are creating a filing.

To set up a payment account from the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**. The *Payment Accounts* page opens. On that page, you can manage your payment accounts. You can add a new account, edit an existing account, or delete an existing account.

To set up a payment account during a filing, click

 + Add payment account

on the *Fees* page. Then, follow the steps to create the payment account.

Adding a Waiver Payment Account

To set up a waiver payment account:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**.

The *Payment Accounts* page is displayed.

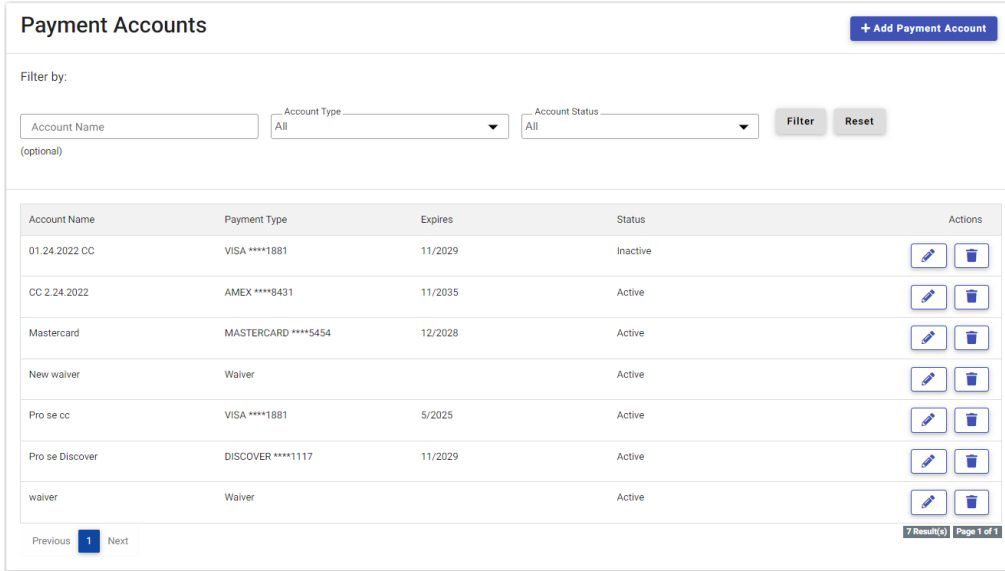



Figure 8.1 – Example of a Payment Accounts Page

2. Click .
A new pane is displayed.

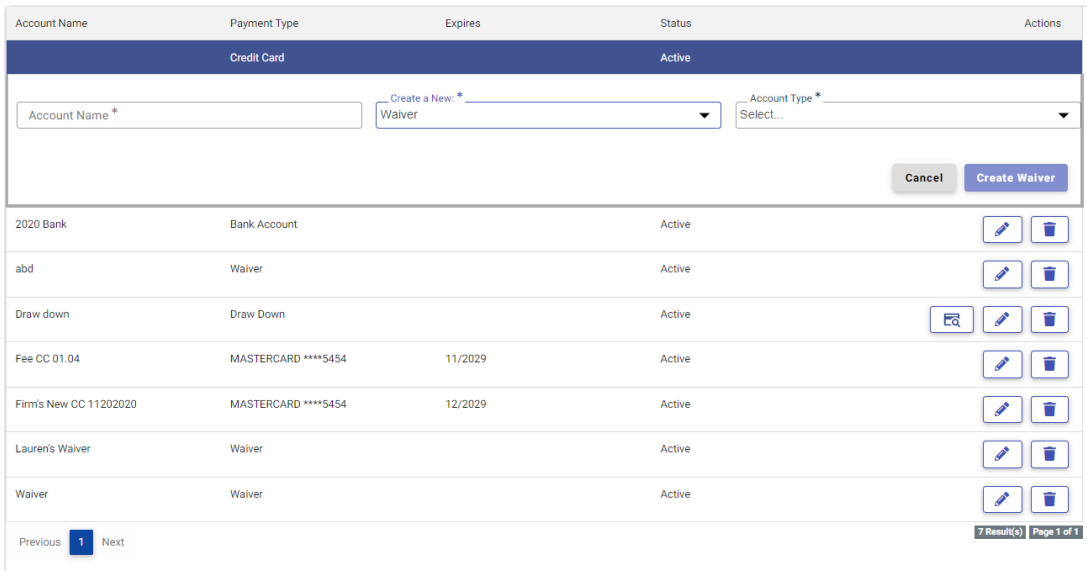


Figure 8.2 – New Payment Account Pane

3. Type a name for the payment account in the **Account Name** field.
4. Select **Waiver** from the **Create a New** drop-down list.

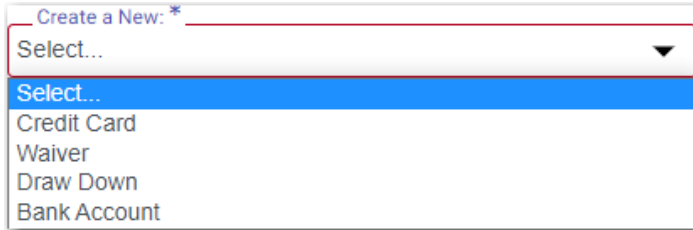


Figure 8.3 – Create a New Drop-Down List

5. Select **Waiver** from the **Account Type** drop-down list.

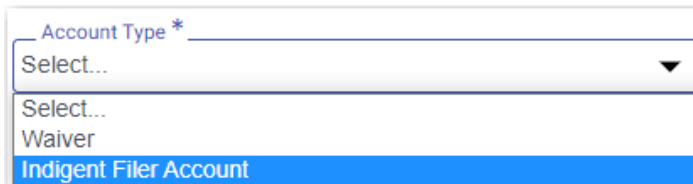


Figure 8.4 – Account Type Drop-Down List for Waivers

6. Click .

The new account is added to the list of your other payment accounts.

Adding a Credit Card Payment Account

To set up a credit card payment account:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**.

The *Payment Accounts* page is displayed.

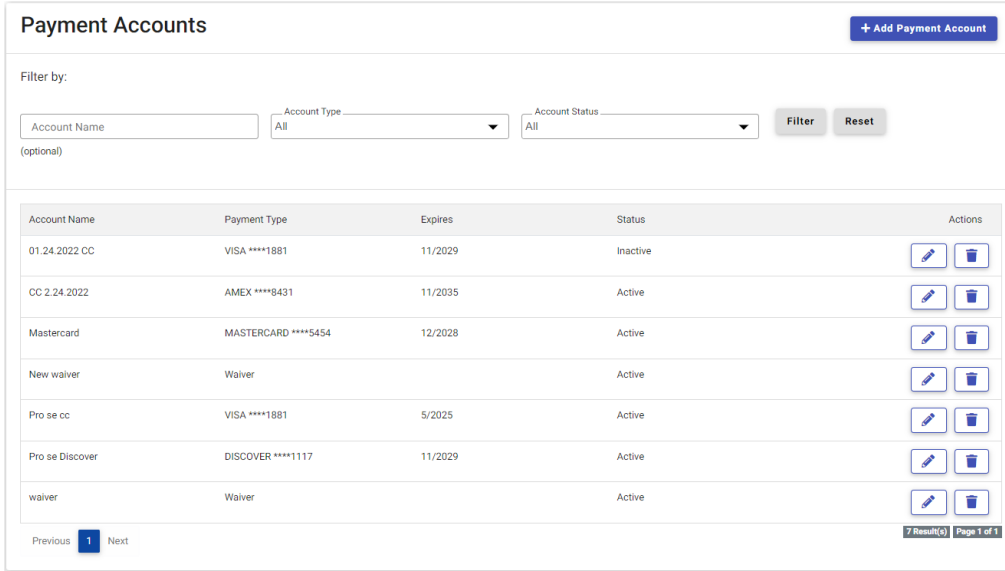



Figure 8.5 – Payment Accounts Page

2. Click  .
A new pane is displayed.

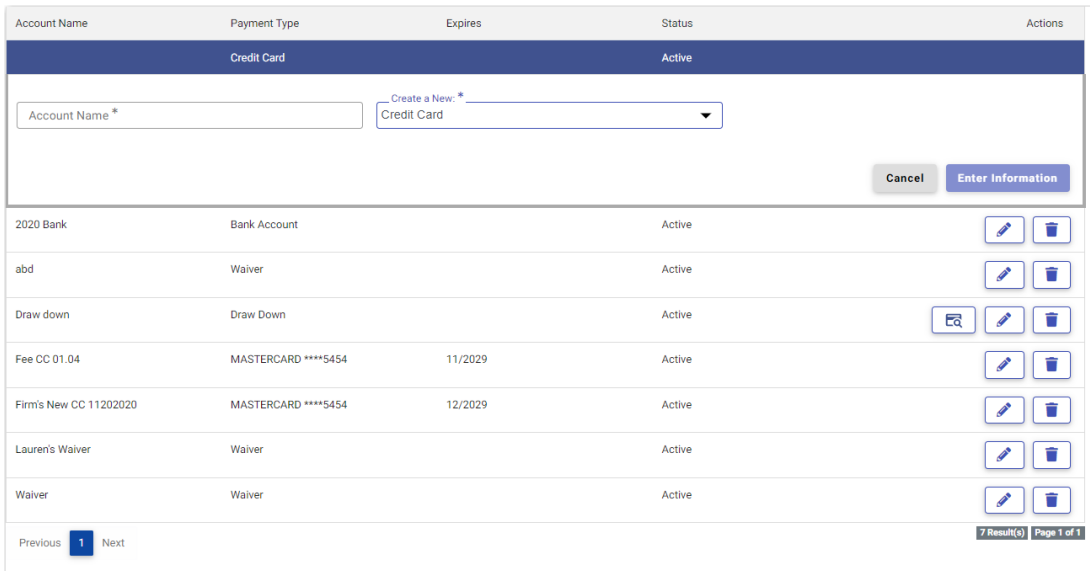


Figure 8.6 – New Payment Account Pane

3. Type a name for the payment account in the **Account Name** field.
4. Select **Credit Card** from the **Create a New** drop-down list.

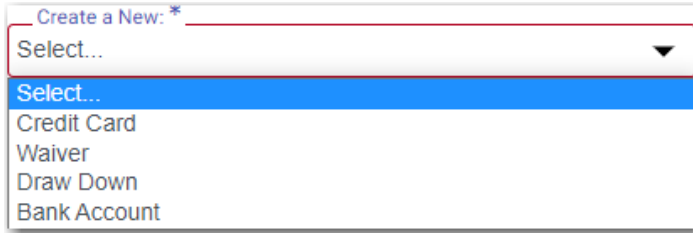


Figure 8.7 – Create a New Drop-Down List

5. Click  .

The *Enter Information* window is displayed.

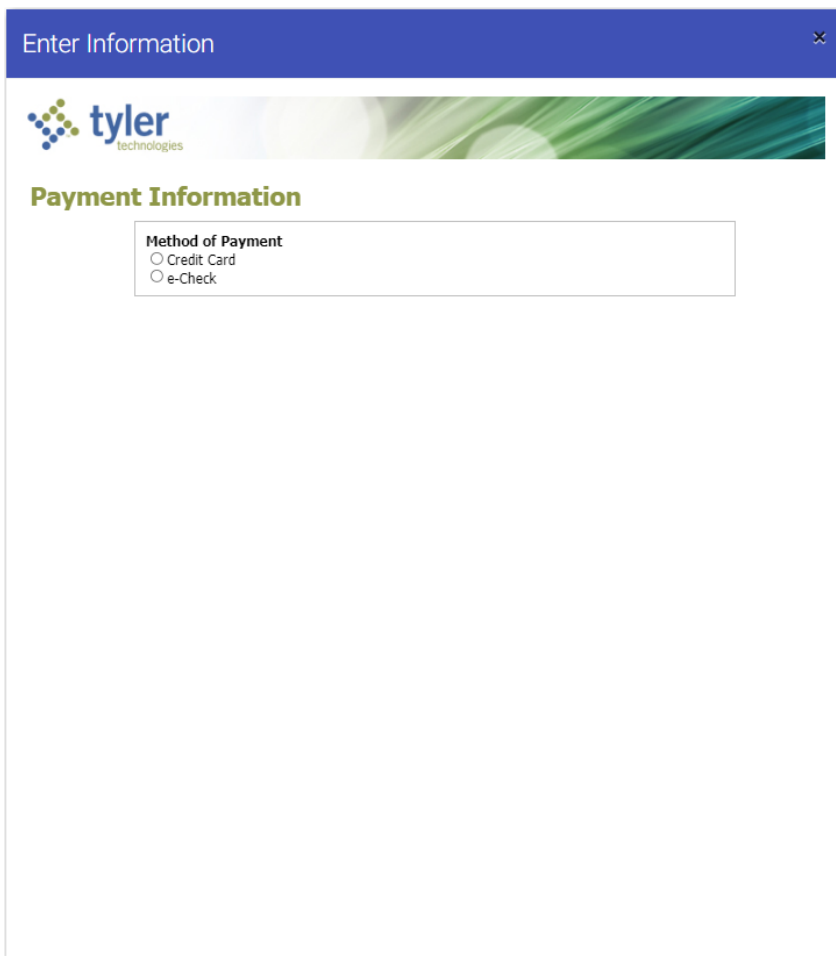


Figure 8.8 – Enter Information Window

6. Select **Credit Card**.

The Payment Information pane is displayed.

Enter Information

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Payment Information

Method of Payment

Credit Card
 e-Check

Cardholder Information
Enter the information as it appears on the Cardholder Account. The fields marked with a red asterisk (*) are required fields.

Card Type *

Card Number *

Exp Month MM * Exp Year YYYY *

CVV Code * [CVV Help](#)

Name on Card *
Maximum of 30 characters

Address Type US Foreign

Address Line 1 *
Street address, P.O. box, company name, c/o

Address Line 2 *
Apartment, suite, unit, building, floor, etc.

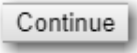
City *

State *

Zip Code *

Continue

Figure 8.9 – Payment Information Pane

7. Select the card type from the **Card Type** drop-down list.
8. Type the card number in the **Card Number** field.
9. Type the expiration month of the credit card in the **Exp Month** field.
10. Type the year the credit card expires in the **Exp Year** field.
11. Type the Card Verification Value (CVV) code in the **CVV Code** field.
12. Type the cardholder's name in the **Name on Card** field.
13. Select the address type, and then complete the required address fields.
14. After completing all of the required fields, click  .

The Verify Billing Information pane is displayed.

Enter Information

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Verify Billing Information

Billing Detail

Card Type MASTERCARD
 Card Number *****5454
 Exp Date 11/28
 CVV Code ***
 Name on Card John Smith
 Address Type US
 Address Line 1 555 Main St.
 Address Line 2
 City Chicago
 State IL
 Zip Code 60642

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Back Save Information

Figure 8.10 – Verify Billing Information Pane

15. Review the information you have entered. If it is correct, click **Save Information**. If it is not correct, click **Back** and make any necessary changes.

The new account is added to the list of your other payment accounts.

Adding an E-Check Payment Account

Note: Your court may not accept e-check payment accounts. The ability to use an e-check account is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To set up an e-check payment account:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**.

The *Payment Accounts* page is displayed.

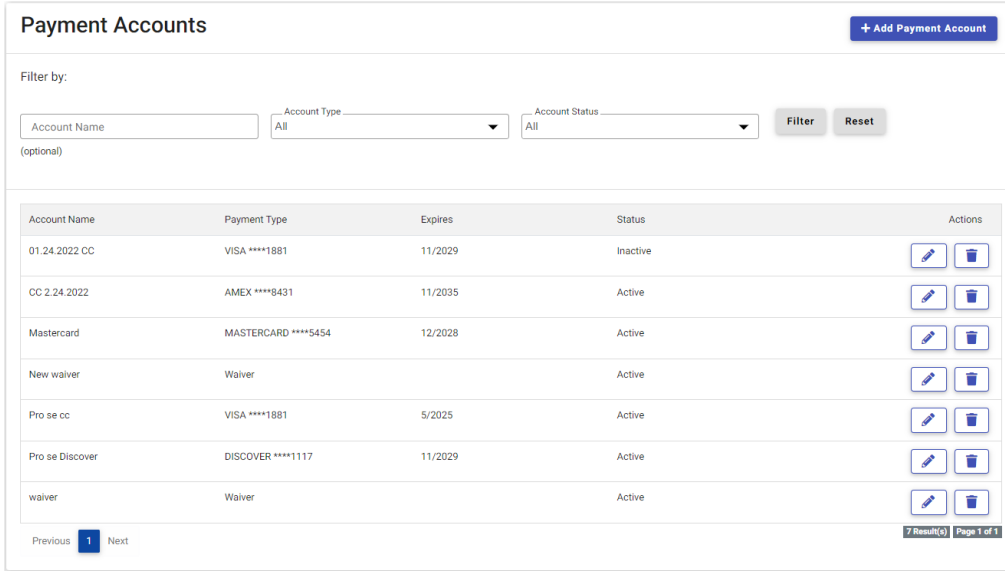



Figure 8.11 – Payment Accounts Page

2. Click  .
A new pane is displayed.

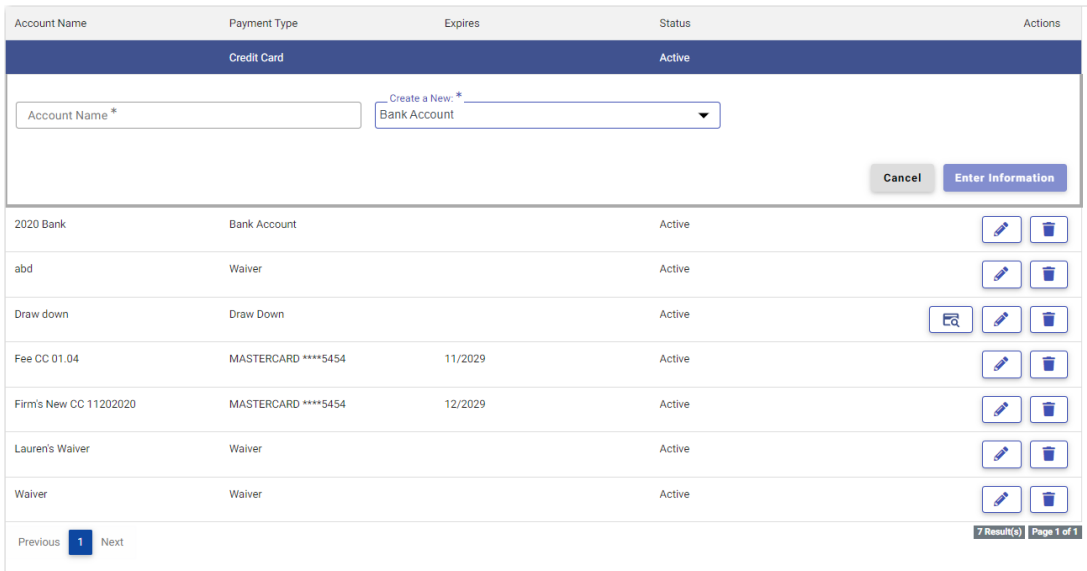


Figure 8.12 – New Payment Account Pane

3. Type a name for the payment account in the **Account Name** field.
4. Select **Bank Account** from the **Create a New** drop-down list.

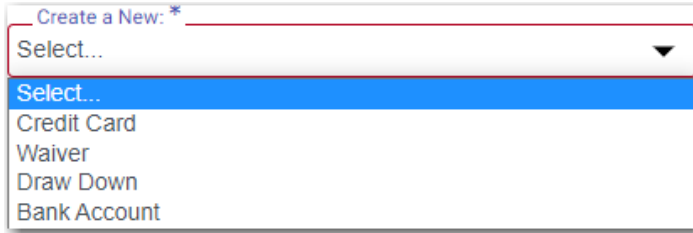


Figure 8.13 – Create a New Drop-Down List

5. Click  .

The *Enter Information* window is displayed.

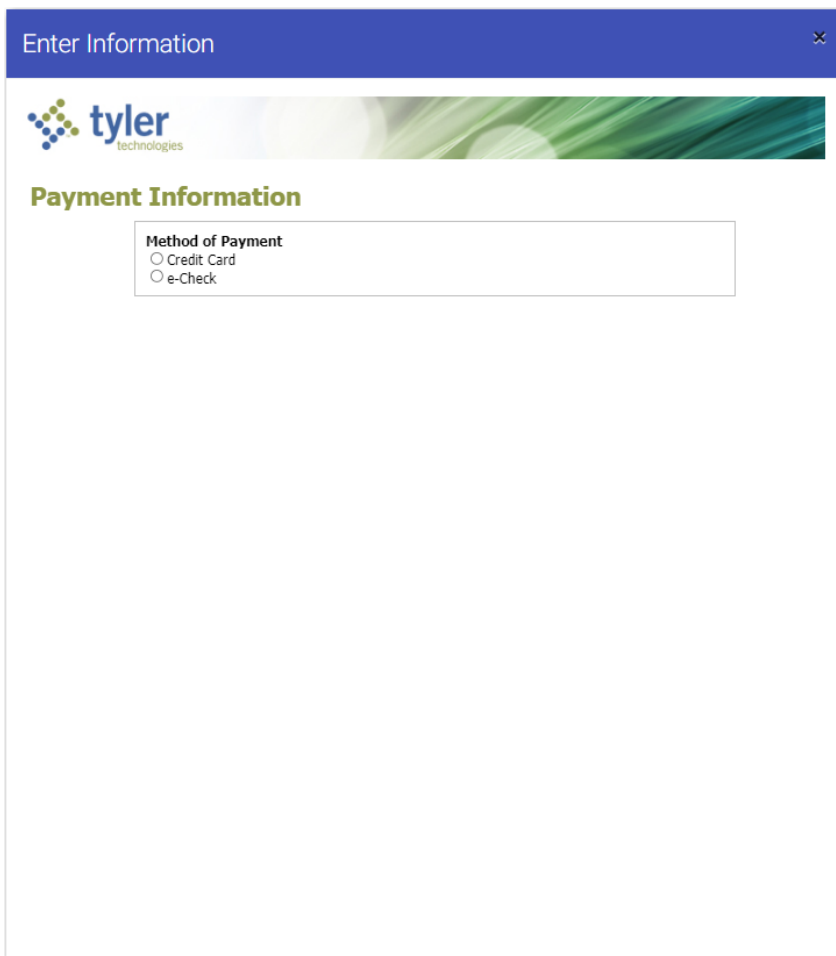



Figure 8.14 – Enter Information Window

6. Select **e-Check**.

The Payment Information pane is displayed.

Figure 8.15 – Payment Information Pane

7. Select the account type from the **Account Type** drop-down list.
8. Type your account number in the **Account Number** field.
9. Type the bank routing number in the **Routing Number** field.
10. Type your name in the **Name on Account** field.
11. Select the address type, and then complete the required address fields.
12. After completing all of the required fields, click  .
The Verify Billing Information pane is displayed.

Enter Information

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Verify Billing Information

Billing Detail

Account Type	Checking
Account Number	*****7890
Routing Number	113000023
Name on Account	John Doe
Address Type	US
Address Line 1	555 Main St.
Address Line 2	
City	Chicago
State	IL
Zip Code	60642

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Figure 8.16 – Verify Billing Information Pane

13. Review the information you have entered. If it is correct, click . If it is not correct, click and make any necessary changes.

The new bank account is added to the list of your other payment accounts.

Adding a Draw-Down Account

You can create a draw-down account on the *Payment Accounts* page for use at a later time, or you can create a draw-down account on the *Fees* page during a case filing.

To add a draw-down account from the *Payment Accounts* page:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**.

The *Payment Accounts* page is displayed.

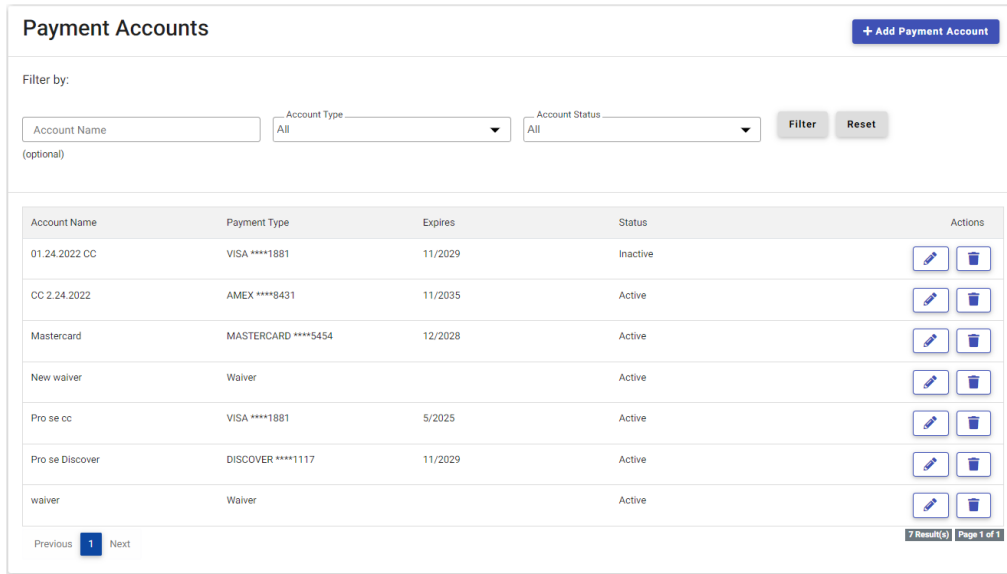
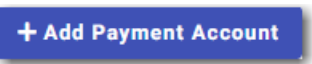


Figure 8.17 – Payment Accounts Page

2. Click 

A new pane is displayed.

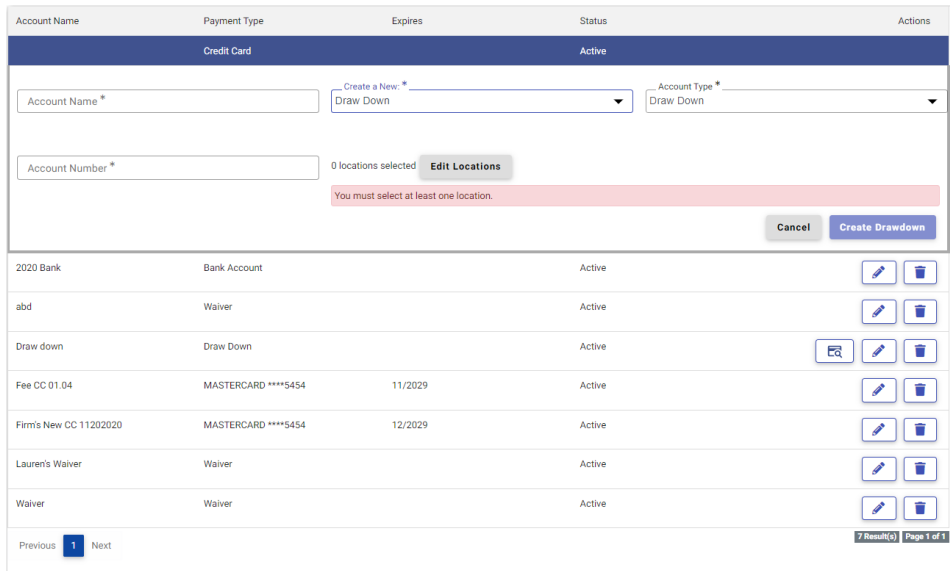


Figure 8.18 – New Payment Account Pane

3. Type a name for the payment account in the **Account Name** field.
4. Select **Draw Down** from the **Create a New** drop-down list.

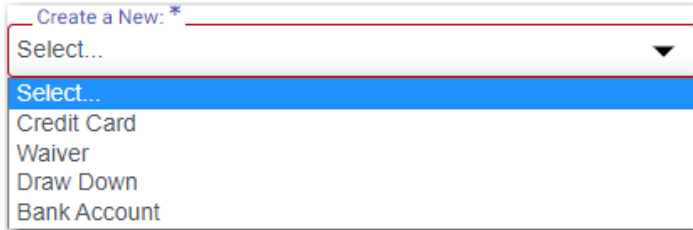
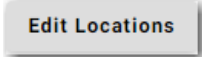


Figure 8.19 – Create a New Drop-Down List

5. Select **Draw Down** from the **Account Type** drop-down list.
6. Type an account number in the **Account Number** field.

7. Click .

The *Edit locations for Draw Down* window is displayed.

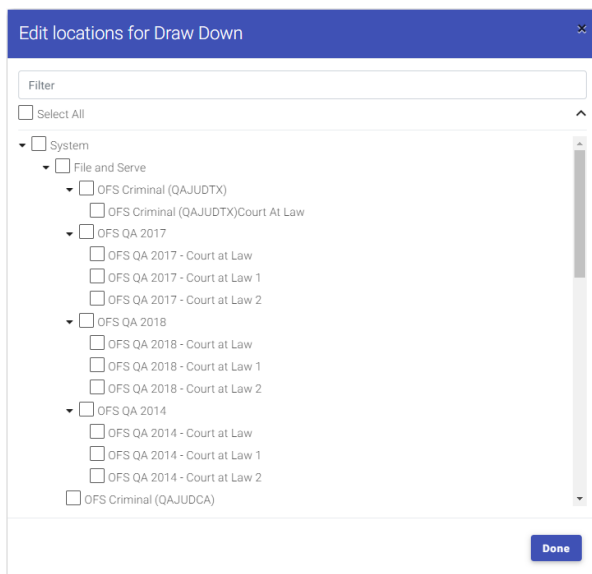

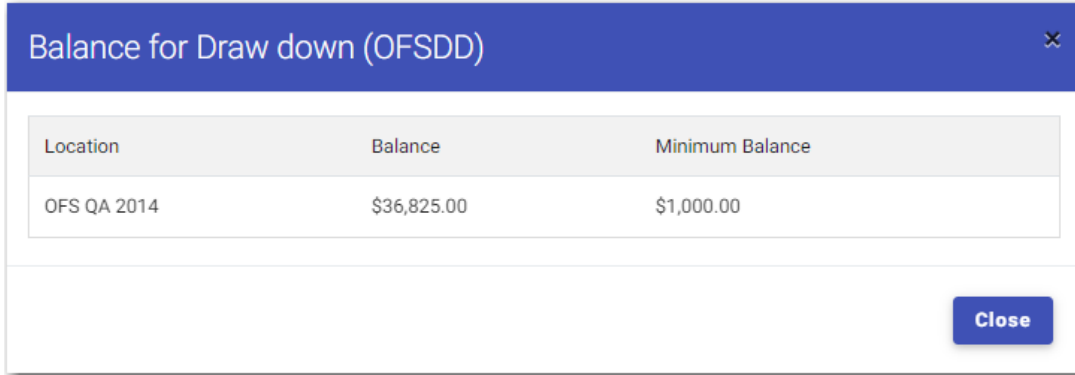


Figure 8.20 – Example of the Edit Locations for Draw Down Window

8. Select the locations where the draw-down account can be used, and then click .

9. Click .

The *Balance for Draw down* window is displayed.



Location	Balance	Minimum Balance
OFS QA 2014	\$36,825.00	\$1,000.00

Figure 8.21 – Example of a Balance for Draw Down Window

10. Verify the amount for the location that you selected. Then, click .

The new account is added to the list of your other payment accounts.

Editing a Payment Account

After you have set up a payment account, you can change the status of the account from Active to Inactive. You can also change the name of the account.

Note: If you need to change any other information in the payment account, you cannot edit it. You must delete the account and then add it back with the new information.

To change the status or the name of an existing payment account:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**.

The *Payment Accounts* page is displayed.

Payment Accounts					+ Add Payment Account
Filter by:					
Account Name <small>(optional)</small>	Account Type All	Account Status All	Filter	Reset	
Account Name	Payment Type	Expires	Status	Actions	
01.24.2022 CC	VISA ****1881	11/2029	Inactive		
CC 2.24.2022	AMEX ****8431	11/2035	Active		
Mastercard	MASTERCARD ****5454	12/2028	Active		
New waiver	Waiver		Active		
Pro se cc	VISA ****1881	5/2025	Active		
Pro se Discover	DISCOVER ****1117	11/2029	Active		
waiver	Waiver		Active		
Previous	1	Next	7 Result(s) Page 1 of 1		

Figure 8.22 – Payment Accounts Page

2. Locate the payment account for which you want to change the status or the name, and then click

Note: If the current status of the specified account is Active, the Active check box is selected.

3. To change the status to Inactive, clear the **Active** check box. If you want to change the name of the account, type the new name. Then, click

The status of the payment account changes to Inactive. If you changed the name, the new name is displayed.

4. To return the payment account to the Active status, click

Then, click

The status of the payment account changes back to the Active status.

Deleting a Payment Account

You can delete an existing payment account that you no longer want. If you need to make changes to an existing payment account, you must delete it and then add it back.

To delete an existing payment account:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Payment Accounts**.

The *Payment Accounts* page is displayed.

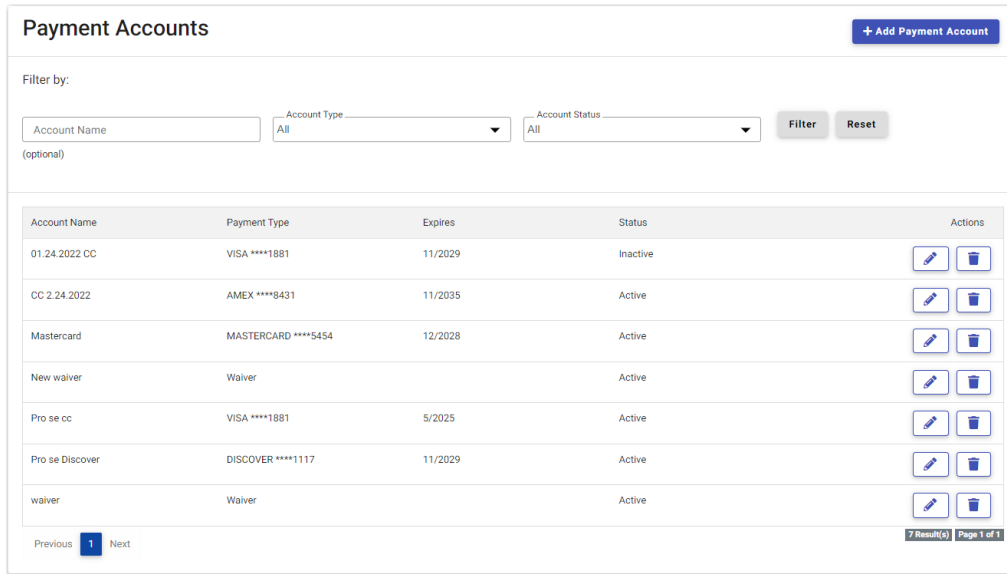

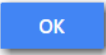
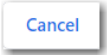


Figure 8.23 – Payment Accounts Page

2. Locate the payment account that you want to delete, and then click  .

The following warning message is displayed: Are you sure you want to delete the payment account "xyz"?

3. Click  to delete the account, or click  to cancel the action.

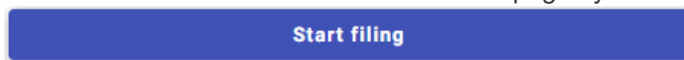
If you clicked  , a confirmation message is displayed, and the account is deleted.

9 Case Initiation

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Starting a New Case Filing
- ◆ Entering Case Information
- ◆ Adding Envelope Level Comments to a Case Filing
- ◆ Collecting Address Information at the Case Level
- ◆ Entering Case Information for a Civil Case
- ◆ Filing a New Case with Case Cross References
- ◆ Filing a New Case with a Will Filed Date
- ◆ Entering Party Details
- ◆ Entering Date of Death on the Parties Page
- ◆ Entering Filing Details
- ◆ Merging Documents for File Upload in a Case Filing
- ◆ Entering a Filing with an Ad Damnum Amount
- ◆ Entering a Filing with a Motion Type Code
- ◆ Entering a Filing with a Claim Amount
- ◆ Entering a Filing with an Estate Value
- ◆ Entering Payment Information
- ◆ Capability for Filing a Return Date
- ◆ Selecting a Return Date for a Case Filing
- ◆ Reverify the Return Date
- ◆ Reverifying a Return Date
- ◆ Submission Agreements
- ◆ Viewing the Envelope Summary
- ◆ Viewing Case Address Information on the Summary Page
- ◆ View Case Judicial Officer
- ◆ Capability for Hearing Dates
- ◆ Scheduling a Hearing Date for a New Case Filing
- ◆ Scheduling a Hearing for an Existing Case Filing

You can initiate a case from the *Dashboard* page by clicking



. This action begins the case initiation process for e-filing. From here, you can start a new case or file into an existing case.



Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

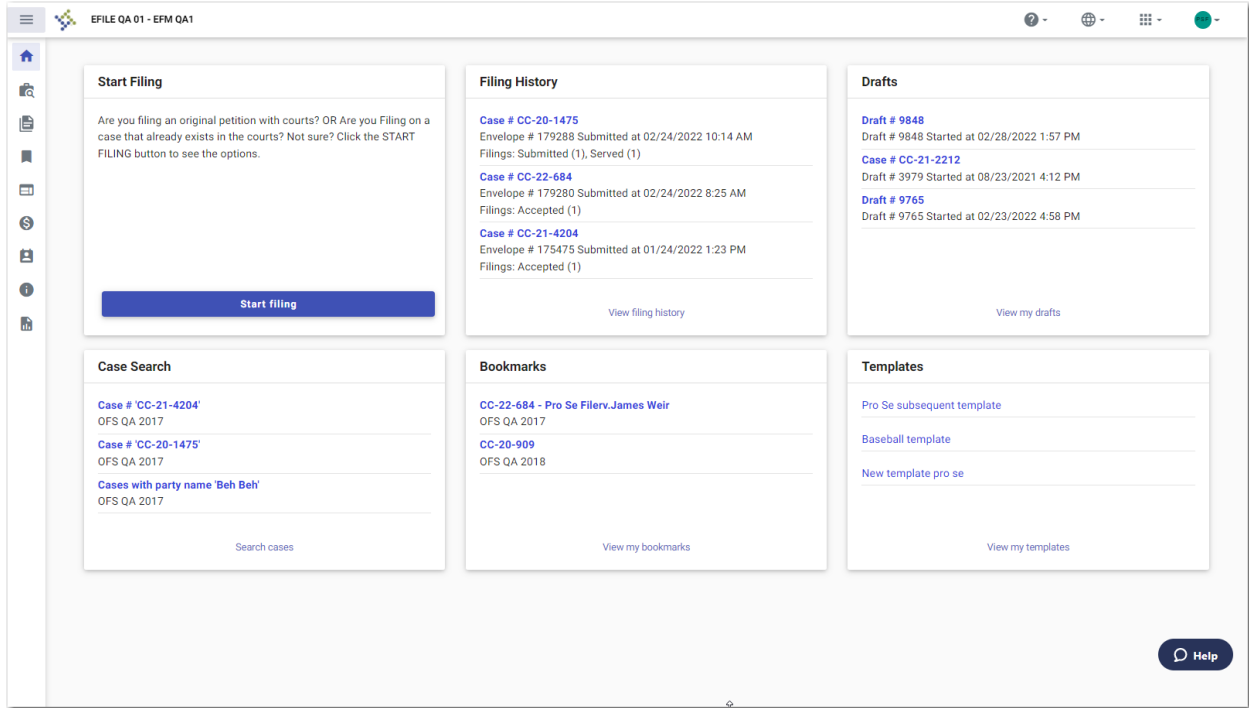


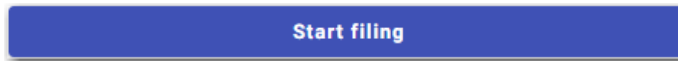
Figure 9.1 – Dashboard Page

Starting a New Case Filing

Start a new case filing from the *Dashboard* page.

To start a new case filing:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click



The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

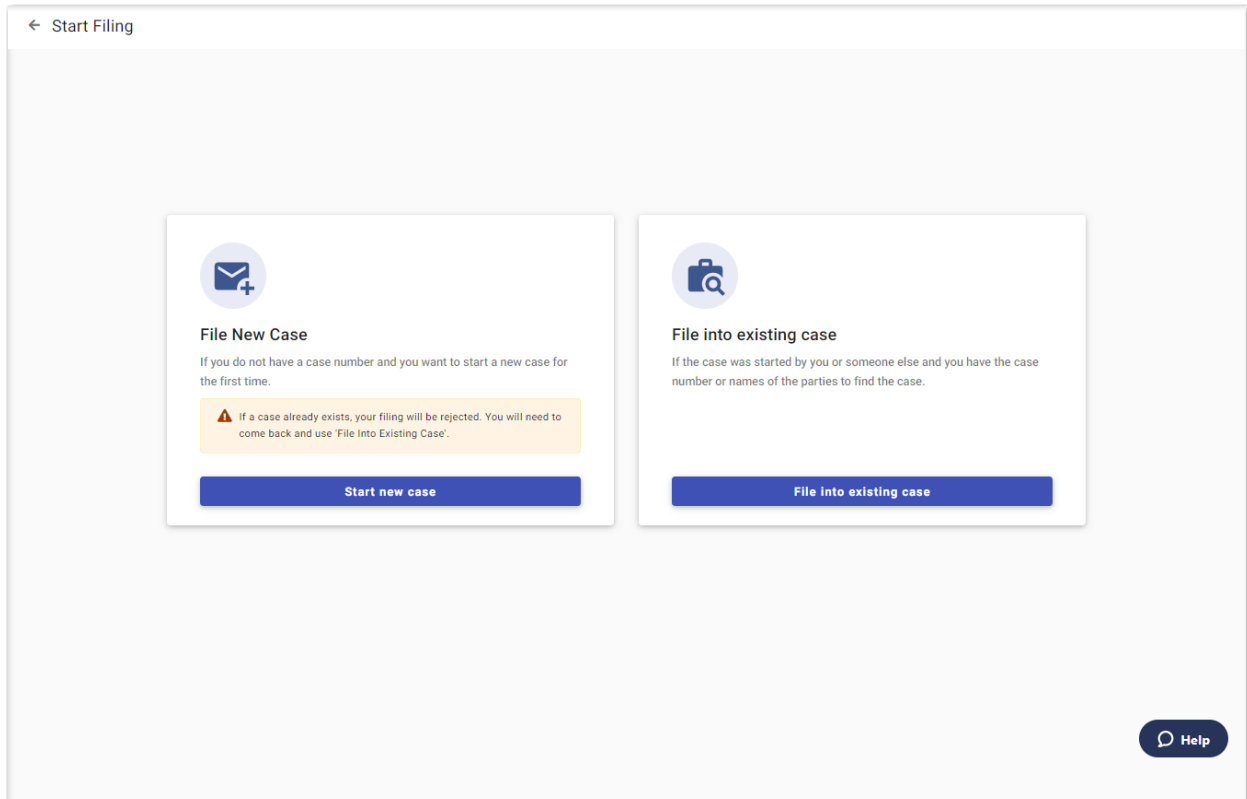


Figure 9.2 – Start Filing Page

2. Click .

The *Case Information* page is displayed.

Entering Case Information

You must have a payment account to create a filing. You can set up a payment account in advance, or you can create an account from the *Fees* page.



Figure 9.3 – Case Information Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter case information:

1. On the *Case Information* page, select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
2. Select the case category from the **Case Category** drop-down list.
3. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
4. Select the case subtype, if applicable, from the **Case Sub Type** drop-down list.

Note: The **Case Sub Type** field is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

5. Click  to save your work and continue, or click  to save your filing and continue it at another time.

Adding Envelope Level Comments to a Case Filing

You can add envelope level comments on the *Case Information* page during filing creation. The comments are then displayed on the *Summary* page, in the print preview, and in the envelope details.

Note: The envelope level comments feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To add envelope level comments to a case filing:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click .

The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

2. Click .

The *Case Information* page is displayed.

Figure 9.4 – Example of a Case Information Page

3. Select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
4. Select the case category from the **Case Category** drop-down list.
5. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
6. Select the amount of damages you are seeking from the **Damage Amount** drop-down list.

Note: The Damage Amount feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

7. Select the appropriate procedures or remedies from the **Procedure/Remedies** drop-down list.

Note: The Procedure/Remedies feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

8. In the Envelope Level Information pane, in the **Envelope Comments** field, type the comments that you want to attach to the case filing.

9. Click  to continue with your case filing.

Collecting Address Information at the Case Level

When filers create certain types of cases, they can provide address information in the case filing.

Note: The case address feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Figure 9.5 – Example of a Case Information Page—Blank Case Address Pane


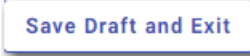


Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To collect address information at the case level:

1. On the *Case Information* page, select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
2. Select the case category from the **Case Category** drop-down list.
3. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
4. In the Case Address pane, complete all of the required address fields.

Figure 9.6 – Example of a Case Information Page—Completed Case Address Pane

5. Click  to save your work and continue, or click  to save your work and exit the filing.

Entering Case Information for a Civil Case

Note: The Procedures/Remedies feature and the Damage Amount feature are configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter case information:

1. Select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
2. Select **Civil** from the **Case Category** drop-down list.

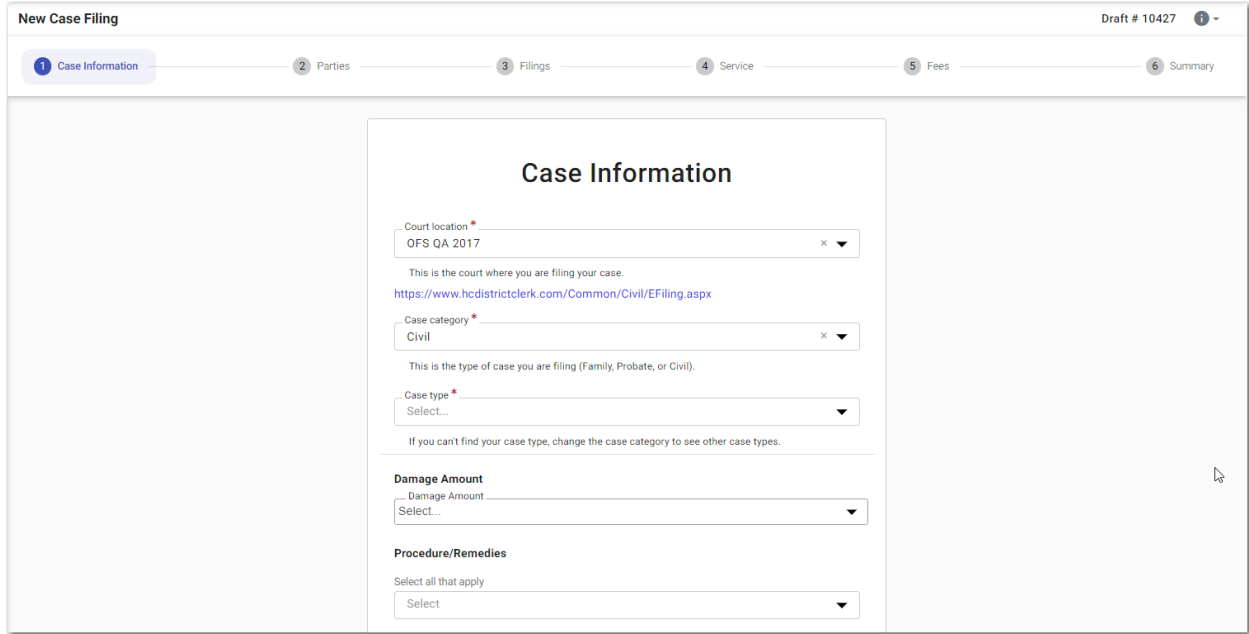


Figure 9.7 – Example of a Case Information Page

3. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
4. Select the amount of damages you are seeking from the **Damage Amount** drop-down list.
5. Select the appropriate procedures or remedies from the **Procedure/Remedies** drop-down list.

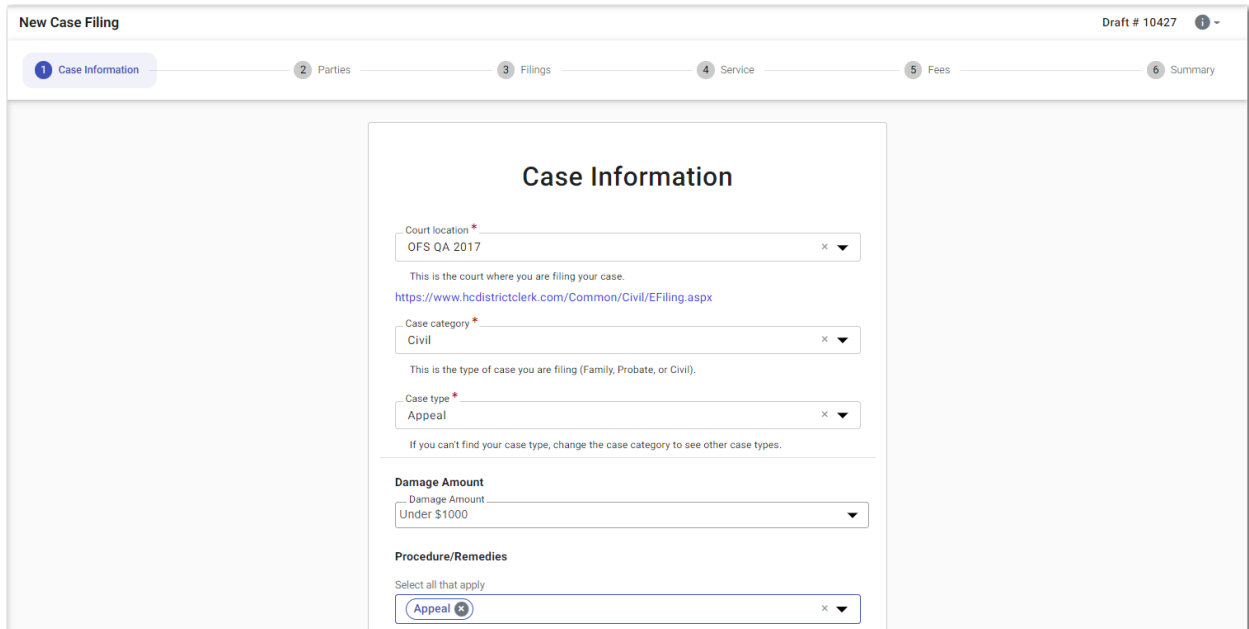

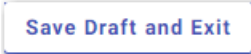


Figure 9.8 – Example of a Completed Case Information Page

6. Click  to save your work and continue, or click  to save your work and exit the filing.

Filing a New Case with Case Cross References

You can include case cross references in your case filing if the Case Cross Reference Number feature is configured on your node.

Note: The Case Cross Reference Number feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

The screenshot shows a web application interface for filing a new case. The main heading is 'Case Information'. Below this, there are several sections:

- Court location:** A dropdown menu with 'OFS QA 2017' selected. Below it is a URL: <https://www.hcdistrictclerk.com/Common/Civil/EFiling.aspx>
- Case category:** A dropdown menu with 'Civil' selected. Below it is a note: 'This is the type of case you are filing (Family, Probate, or Civil).'.
- Case type:** A dropdown menu with 'City Ordinance Cases - \$10.00' selected. Below it is a note: 'If you can't find your case type, change the case category to see other case types.'
- Damage Amount:** A dropdown menu with 'Select...' selected.
- Procedure/Remedies:** A dropdown menu with 'Select' selected.
- Case Cross Reference:** This section contains two rows of input fields. Each row has a dropdown for the reference type (e.g., 'Case Cross Reference Number' and 'Warrant Number (CM)') and a text input for the 'Case cross reference ID'. An '+ Add more' button is located at the bottom of this section.

Figure 9.9 – Example of a Case Information Page with the Case Cross Reference Section Displayed

To file a new case that uses case cross references:

1. Select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
2. Select **Civil** from the **Case Category** drop-down list.
3. Select the appropriate case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
4. Select the case subtype, if applicable, from the **Case Sub Type** drop-down list.
5. Select the damages amount, if applicable, from the **Damage Amount** drop-down list.
6. In the Case Cross Reference pane, type the case cross reference number in the **Case cross reference Id** field.

Note: Some case cross reference types require a six-digit number. Other types may require a four-digit number.

7. If you have additional case cross reference numbers to add, click

+ Add More

Another row for case cross references is displayed.

8. Continue adding case cross reference numbers until you are done.

Figure 9.10 – Example of a Case Information Page with Case Cross Reference Numbers Added

9. Click **Parties →** to save your work and continue, or click **Save Draft and Exit** to save your work and exit the filing.

Filing a New Case with a Will Filed Date

You can file a new case and enter the date on which a will was filed with the court.

Note: The Will Filed Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To file a new case and enter the date on which a will was filed:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click **Start filing**.
The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

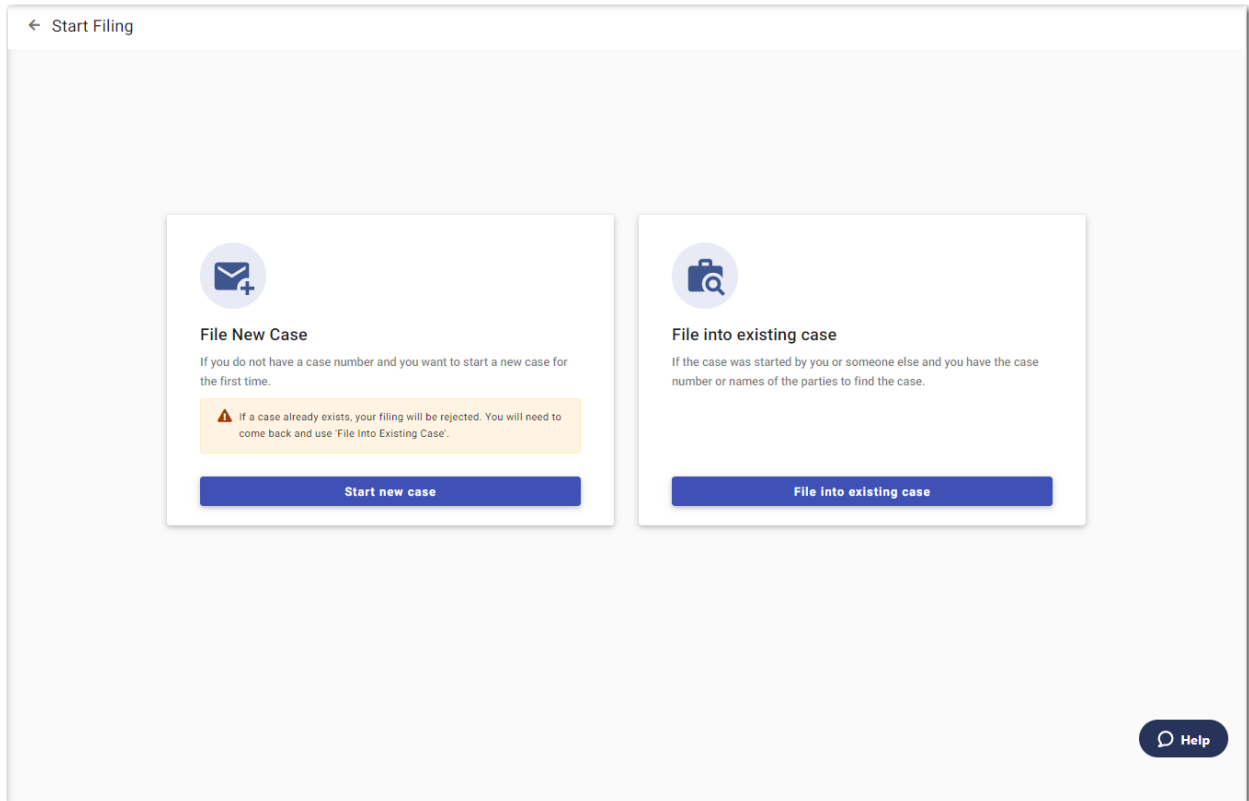


Figure 9.11 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .

The *Case Information* page is displayed.

New Case Filing Draft # 10380

1 Case Information 2 Parties 3 Filings 4 Service 5 Fees 6 Summary

Case Information

Court location *
OFS QA 2017 x ▼

This is the court where you are filing your case.
<https://www.hcdistrictclerk.com/Common/Civil/Efiling.aspx>

Case category *
Probate or Mental Health x ▼

This is the type of case you are filing (Family, Probate, or Civil).

Case type *
Probate of Will x ▼

If you can't find your case type, change the case category to see other case types.

Case Sub Type
Select... ▼

Will Filed

Will Filed Date *
05/20/2022 📅

Figure 9.12 – Example of the Will Filed Field on the Case Information Page

3. Select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
4. Select the category from the **Case Category** drop-down list.
Note: In the example, “Probate or Mental Health” is selected.
5. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
Note: In the example, “Probate of Will” is selected.
Note: The category and case type that you select determine which fields will be displayed next.
6. Select the case subtype from the **Case Sub Type** drop-down list.
Note: The items in this list are determined by the case type you selected.
7. Type a date in the **Will Filed Date** field, or click the calendar to select a date from the calendar.
Note: The Will Filed Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.
8. Click **Parties →** to save your work and continue, or click **Save Draft and Exit** to save your work and exit the filing.

Entering Party Details

Each case requires a party type.

New Case Filing Draft # 10015 ⓘ

Case Information **2 Parties** 3 Filings 4 Service 5 Fees 6 Summary

Parties

Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney	Actions
⚠ Defendant *			+ Add party details
⚠ Plaintiff *			+ Add party details

+ Add More

← Case Information
Help ⓘ
Filings →

Figure 9.13 – Example of a Parties Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the details for the parties involved in the case:

1. On the *Parties* page, select the party type that you want to begin to describe, and then click




The *Edit Party Details* window for the specified party is displayed.

Figure 9.14 – Example of the Edit Party Details Window

2. Click either  or .

Note: The following steps describe the fields that are displayed if you select “Person.”

3. If you are the first party, select **I Am This Party**.
4. In the Party Information pane, complete the **First Name**, **Middle Name** (if applicable), and **Last Name** fields. Also, if appropriate, select the party’s suffix from the **Suffix** drop-down list.
5. Type the party’s date of birth in the **Date of Birth** field, or click  to select the date from the calendar.
6. Type the party case management system identification (ID) in the **Party CMS ID** field, if appropriate.
7. Select a language from the **Interpreter** drop-down list, if appropriate.
8. Select the type of driver’s license from the **Drivers License Type** drop-down list.
9. Select the state where the driver’s license was issued from the **Drivers License State** drop-down list.
10. Type the party’s driver’s license number in the **Drivers License Number** field.
11. Type the party’s Social Security number in the **Social Security Number** field.

Note: After you type the Social Security number, asterisks are displayed to hide the number.

12. Select the party’s gender from the **Gender** drop-down list.

13. In the Contact Information pane, enter the country, address, city, state, ZIP code, and phone number for the specified party.

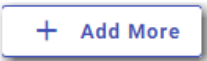
14. In the Attorney Information pane, from the **Lead Attorney** drop-down list, select **Pro Se** for the filing attorney.

15. After all of the required fields for the specified party are completed, click



16. On the *Parties* page, complete the party information for the next party.

17. If you have another party to add to the case, click



18. Click



to save your work and continue.

Entering Date of Death on the Parties Page

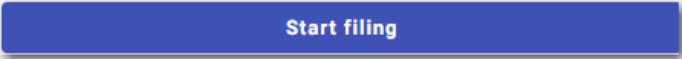
You can enter the date of death for a party when the Date of Death feature is configured on your system.

Note: The Date of Death feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: Your screens may vary from the examples provided.

To enter the date of death on the *Parties* page:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click



The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

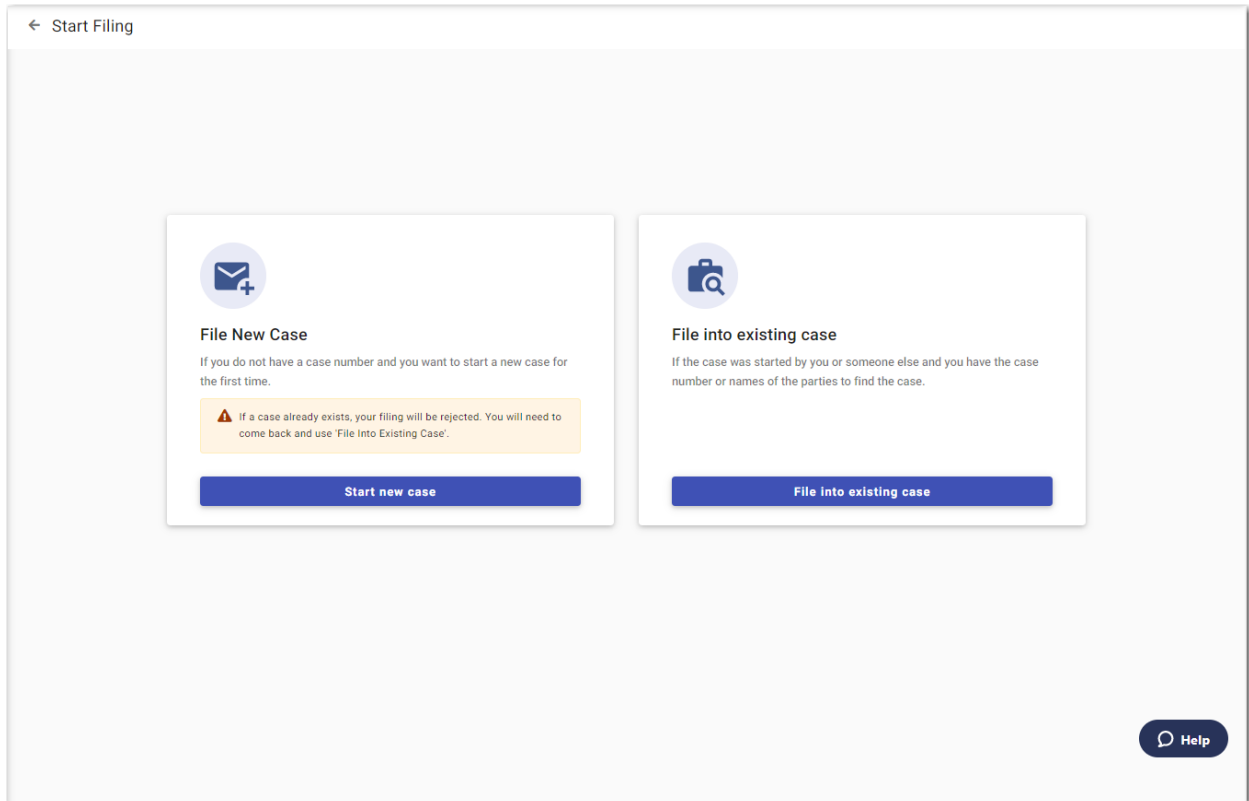
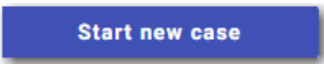




Figure 9.15 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .
The *Case Information* page is displayed.
3. Complete the required sections on the *Case Information* page, and then click  .
The *Parties* page is displayed.
4. On the *Parties* page, select the party type that you want to begin to describe, and then click  .
The *Edit Party Details* window for the specified party is displayed.

The screenshot shows a web application window titled "Edit Party Details". It contains three main sections:


- Party Information:** Includes a "Party Type" dropdown (set to "Plaintiff"), a "Person" button (highlighted in blue), an "Entity" button, a "I Am This Party" checkbox, and fields for "First Name", "Middle Name", "Last Name", "Suffix", "Date of Birth", "Party CMS ID", "Interpreter", "Driver License Type", "Driver License State", "Driver License Number", "Social Security Number", and "Gender".
- Contact Information:** Includes a "Country" dropdown (set to "United States"), "Address Line 1", "Address Line 2", "City", "State" dropdown, "Zip Code", "Email" field, and "Phone Number" field.
- Attorney Information:** Includes a "Lead Attorney" dropdown.

Figure 9.16 – Example of the Edit Party Details Window



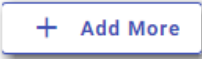

5. Click either  or .

Note: The following steps describe the fields that are displayed if you select “Person.”

Note: If Tyler has configured the Date of Death feature on your system, you may have the Decedent and Deceased options available in the Party Type drop-down list.

- If you are the first party, select **I Am This Party**.
- In the Party Information pane, complete the **First Name**, **Middle Name** (if applicable), and **Last Name** fields. Also, if appropriate, select the party’s suffix from the **Suffix** drop-down list.
- Type the deceased party’s birth date in the **Date of Birth** field, or click  to select the date from the calendar.
- Type the party case management system identification (ID) in the **Party CMS ID** field, if appropriate.
- Select a language from the **Interpreter** drop-down list, if appropriate.
- Select the type of driver’s license from the **Drivers License Type** drop-down list.
- Select the state where the driver’s license was issued from the **Drivers License State** drop-down list.
- Type the party’s driver’s license number in the **Drivers License Number** field.
- Type the party’s Social Security number in the **Social Security Number** field.

Note: After you type the Social Security number, asterisks are displayed to hide the number.

15. Select the deceased party's gender from the **Gender** drop-down list.
16. Type the deceased party's date of death in the **Date of Death** field, or click  to select a date from the calendar.
17. In the Contact Information pane, enter the country, address, city, state, ZIP code, and phone number for the specified party.
18. In the Attorney Information pane, from the **Lead Attorney** drop-down list, select **Pro Se** for the filing attorney.
19. After all of required fields for the specified party are completed, click .
20. On the *Parties* page, if you have another party to add to the case, click . Then, complete the party information for the next party.
21. Continue to add parties until all of the parties have been added to the case.
22. Click  to save your work and continue.

Entering Filing Details

You can enter the filing details on the *Filings* page.

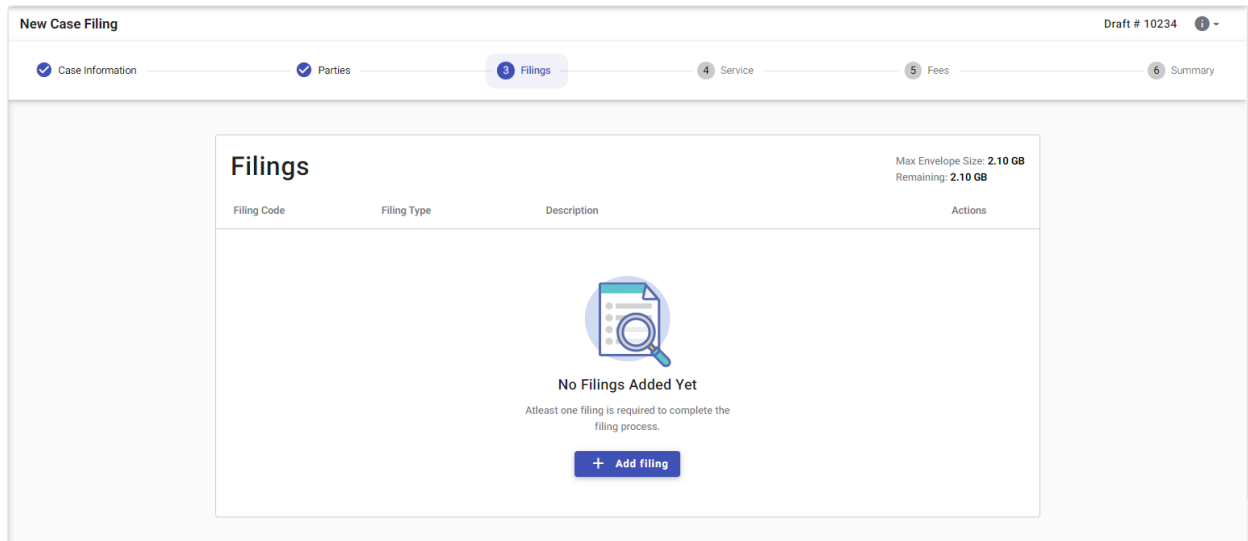



Figure 9.17 – Filings Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the filing details:

 + Add filing

1. On the *Filings* page, click

The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

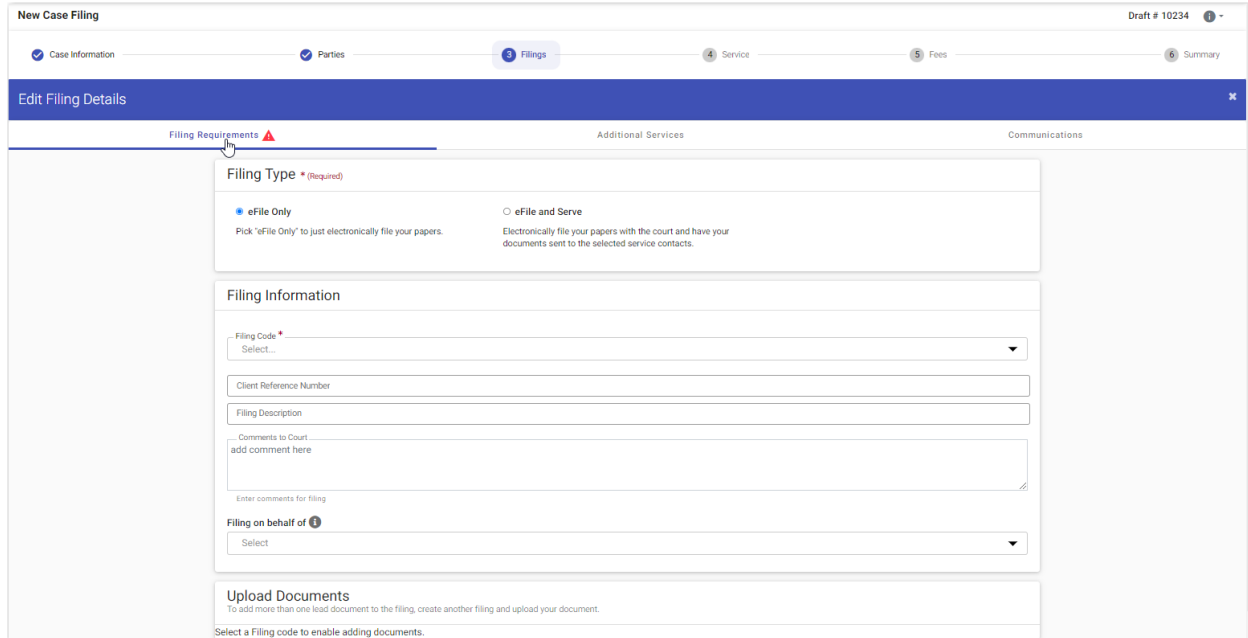


Figure 9.18 – Edit Filing Details Page

2. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
3. In the Filing Information pane, select the filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.
4. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.
5. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
6. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.
7. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.

 Select files

8. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

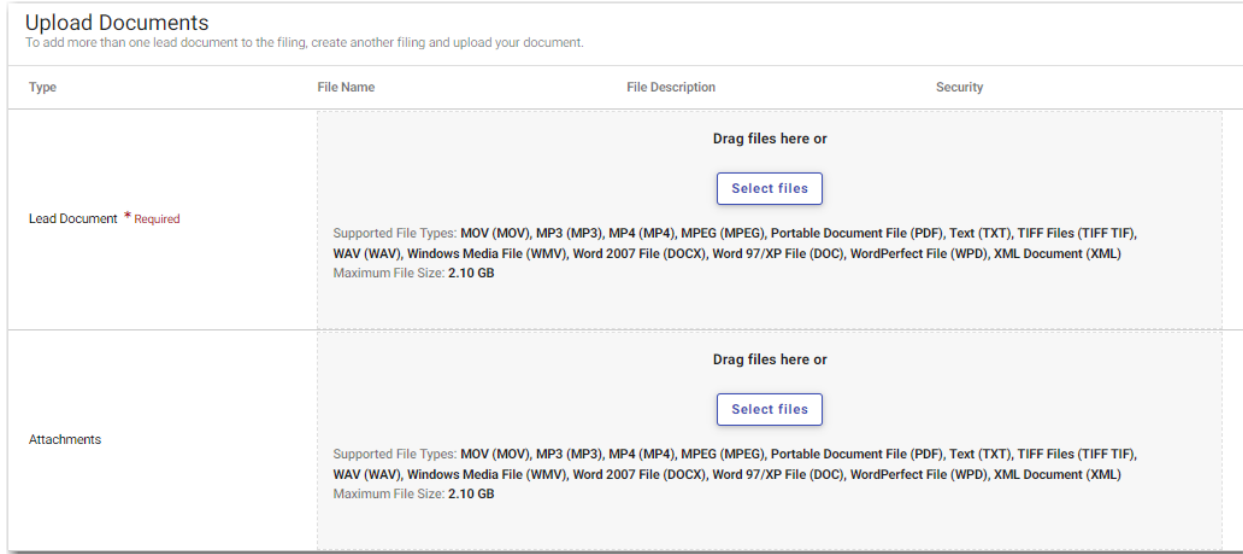
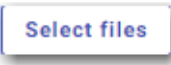


Figure 9.19 – Upload Documents Pane

9. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
10. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
11. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

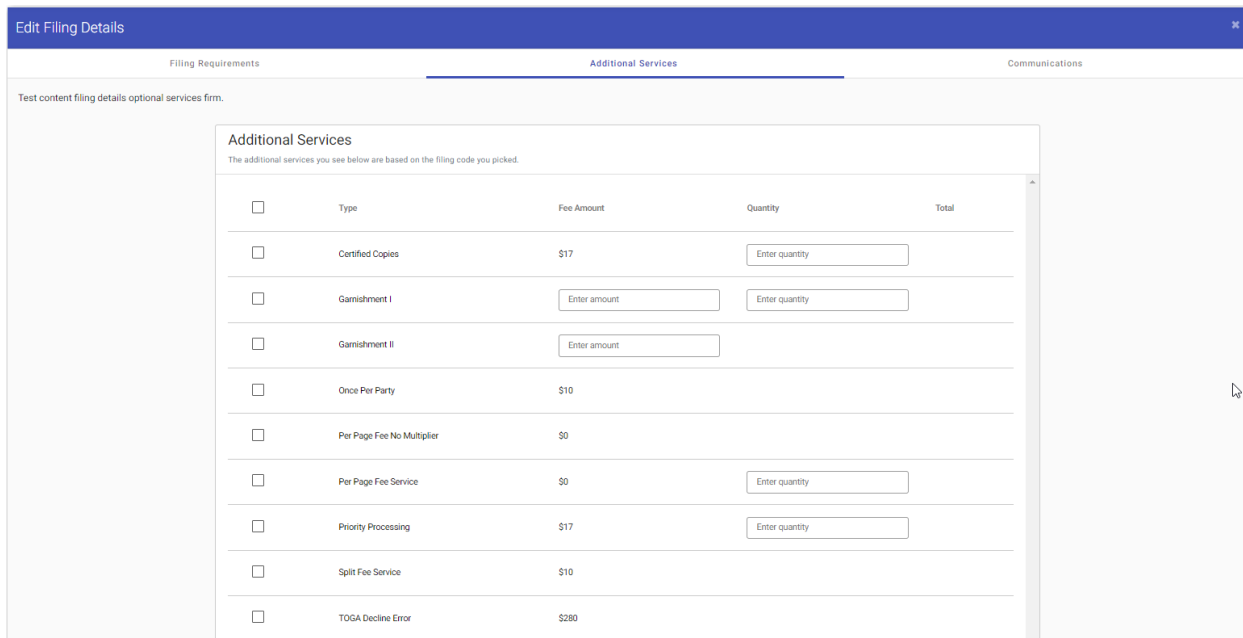


Figure 9.20 – Additional Services Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

12. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

13. Click **Go to Communication**, or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

Figure 9.21 – Communications Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

14. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

15. Click **Save**.

16. If you want to add another filing, on the *Filings* page, click **+ Add More**. Then, repeat the same steps for the next filing.

17. After you have added all of the filings, click **Service →**.

Merging Documents for File Upload in a Case Filing

You can merge multiple documents into one file before uploading the file in a case filing.

Note: The Merge Documents feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To merge multiple documents for file upload:

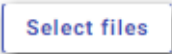

1. Navigate to the *Filings* page.
2. Complete the fields pertaining to the case filing.
3. In the Upload Documents pane, click **Merge documents**.

Type	File Name	File Description	Security
Lead Document * Required	<p style="text-align: center;">Drag files here or</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Select files</p> <p>Supported File Types: MOV (MOV), MP3 (MP3), MP4 (MP4), MPEG (MPEG), Portable Document File (PDF), Text (TXT), TIFF Files (TIFF TIF), WAV (WAV), Windows Media File (WMV), Word 2007 File (DOCX), Word 97/XP File (DOC), WordPerfect File (WPD), XML Document (XML) Maximum File Size: 2.10 GB</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Merge documents</p>		
Attachments	<p style="text-align: center;">Drag files here or</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Select files</p> <p>Supported File Types: MOV (MOV), MP3 (MP3), MP4 (MP4), MPEG (MPEG), Portable Document File (PDF), Text (TXT), TIFF Files (TIFF TIF), WAV (WAV), Windows Media File (WMV), Word 2007 File (DOCX), Word 97/XP File (DOC), WordPerfect File (WPD), XML Document (XML) Maximum File Size: 2.10 GB</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Merge documents</p>		

Figure 9.22 – Example of the Upload Documents Pane

The *Merge Documents* window is displayed.

Figure 9.23 – Merge Documents Window

4. Click , and then select the files that you want to merge.
5. If you want to change the order of the files after you have added them, use the up and down arrows to reorder the files.
6. Type a name for the merged file in the **Name your merged file** field.
7. If you want to add a separator page to the files, select **Add a Separator Page**.
8. When you have added all of your files, reordered them if necessary, and named the merged file, click .
9. Proceed with the rest of your filing.

Entering a Filing with an Ad Damnum Amount

You can enter an Ad Damnum (damage) amount when that amount has been specified by the court. The **Ad Damnum** field is displayed on the *Fees* page. You can enter the amount of damages in the **Ad Damnum** field. When the Ad Damnum amount is set, an appropriate fee will be applied.

Note: The Ad Damnum feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

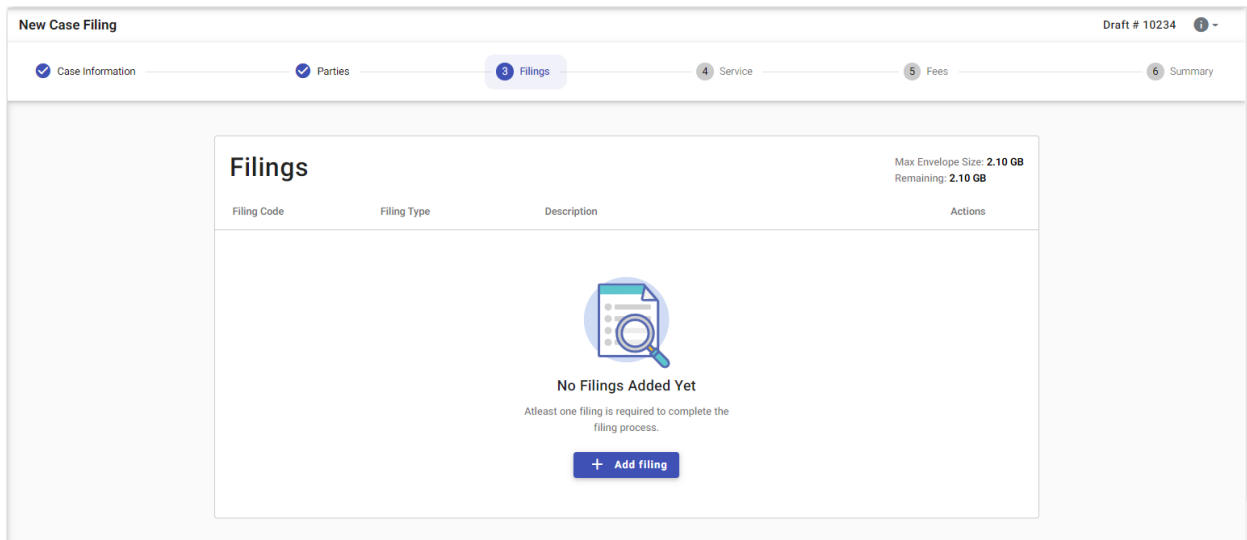



Figure 9.24 – Filings Page

To enter the filing details:

1. On the *Filings* page, click . The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

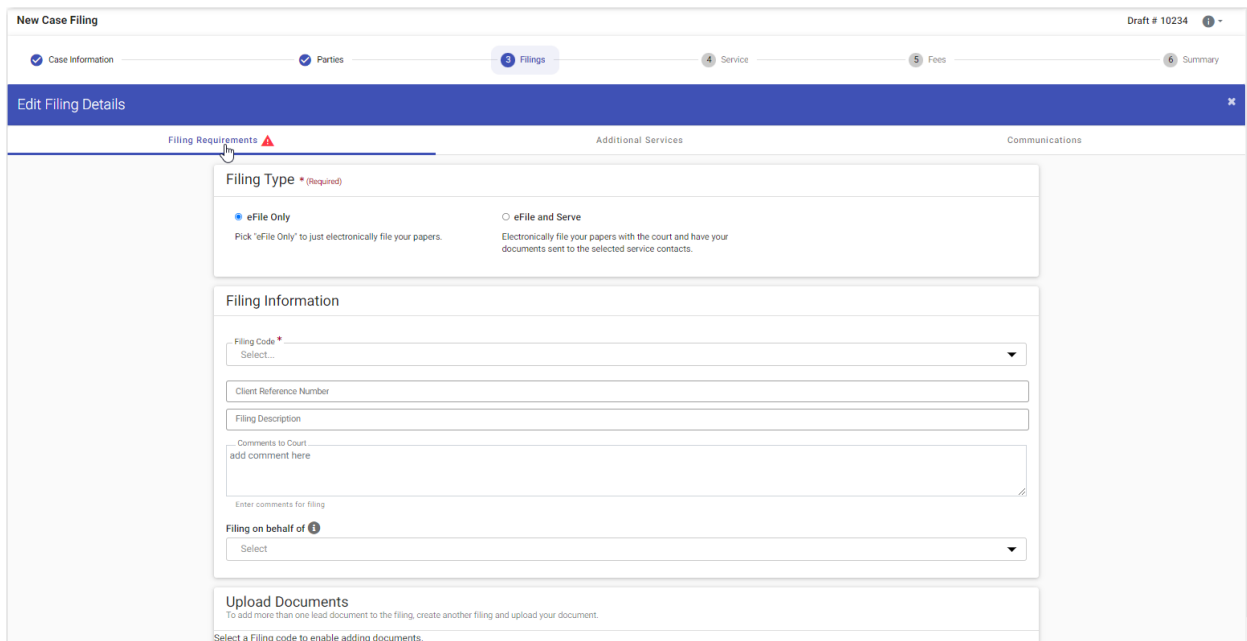


Figure 9.25 – Edit Filing Details Page

2. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
3. In the Filing Information pane, select the appropriate filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.
4. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.

5. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
6. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.
7. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.

Select files

8. In the Upload Documents pane, click **Select files**. Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

Type	File Name	File Description	Security
Lead Document * Required	Drag files here or <input type="button" value="Select files"/>		
	Supported File Types: MOV (MOV), MP3 (MP3), MP4 (MP4), MPEG (MPEG), Portable Document File (PDF), Text (TXT), TIFF Files (TIFF TIF), WAV (WAV), Windows Media File (WMV), Word 2007 File (DOCX), Word 97/XP File (DOC), WordPerfect File (WPD), XML Document (XML) Maximum File Size: 2.10 GB		
Attachments	Drag files here or <input type="button" value="Select files"/>		
	Supported File Types: MOV (MOV), MP3 (MP3), MP4 (MP4), MPEG (MPEG), Portable Document File (PDF), Text (TXT), TIFF Files (TIFF TIF), WAV (WAV), Windows Media File (WMV), Word 2007 File (DOCX), Word 97/XP File (DOC), WordPerfect File (WPD), XML Document (XML) Maximum File Size: 2.10 GB		

Figure 9.26 – Upload Documents Pane

Select files

9. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click **Select files** in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
10. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
11. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

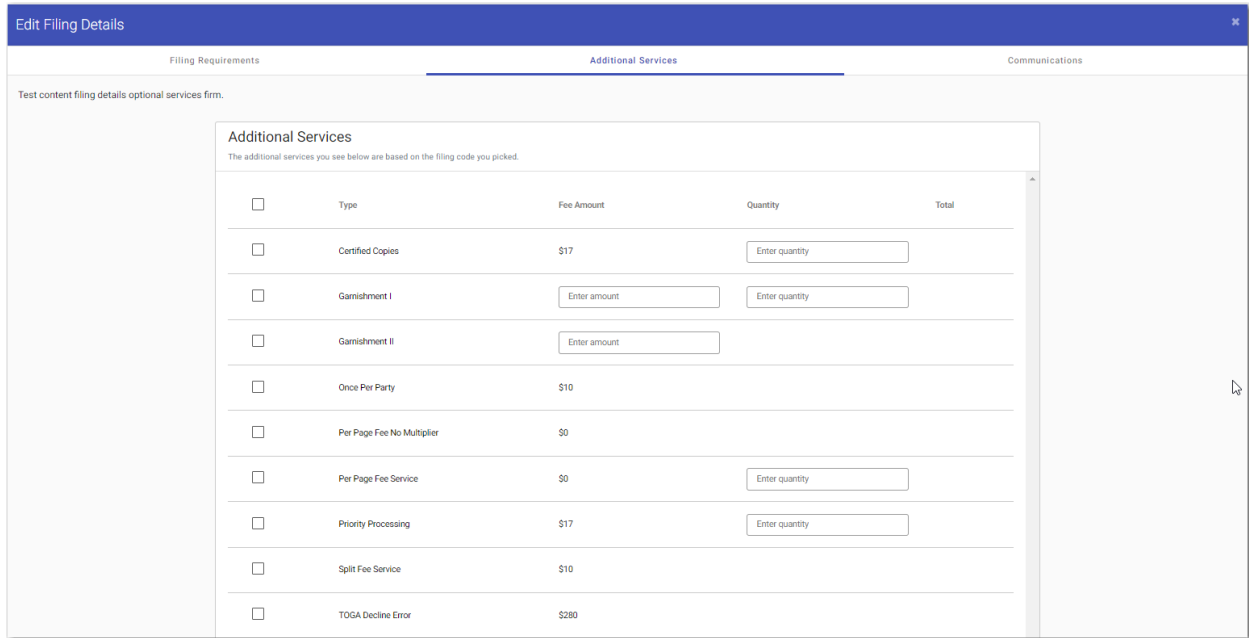


Figure 9.27 – Additional Services Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

12. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

Go to Communication

13. Click **Go to Communication**, or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

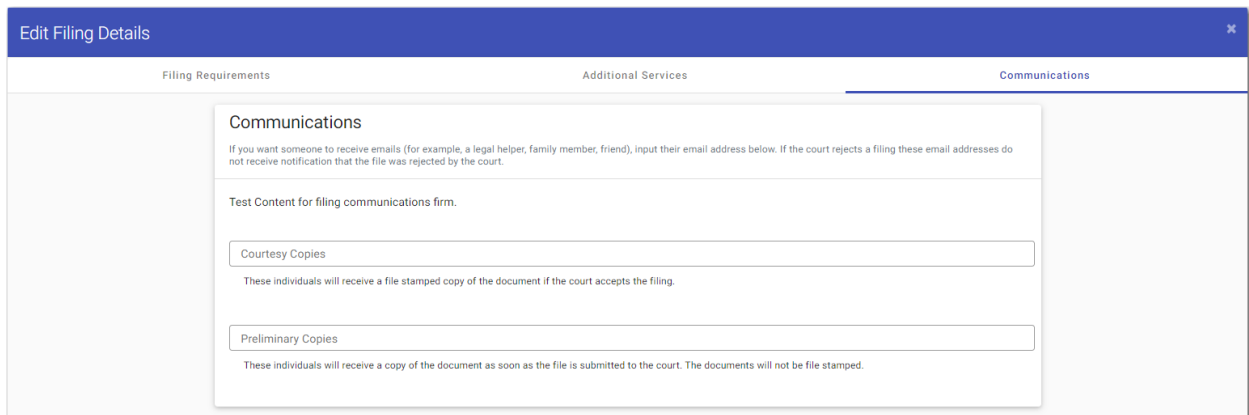


Figure 9.28 – Communications Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

14. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

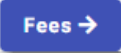
Save

15. Click **Save**.

Service →

16. Click **Service →**.

The *Service* page is displayed.

17. Select the service contacts, and then click  .

The *Fees* page is displayed.

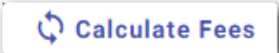
18. On the *Fees* page, type the amount of damages for the case in the **Ad Damnum** field.

19. Select the payment account from the **Payment Account** drop-down list, or follow the steps to create a new payment account.

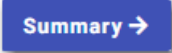
20. Select the party that is responsible for paying the fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list.

Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the Party Responsible for Fees field.

21. Select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

22. Click  .

The fees for the filing are displayed.

23. Click  to review and complete your filing.

Entering a Filing with a Motion Type Code

You can enter a filing for a specific motion type.

Note: The Motion Type feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

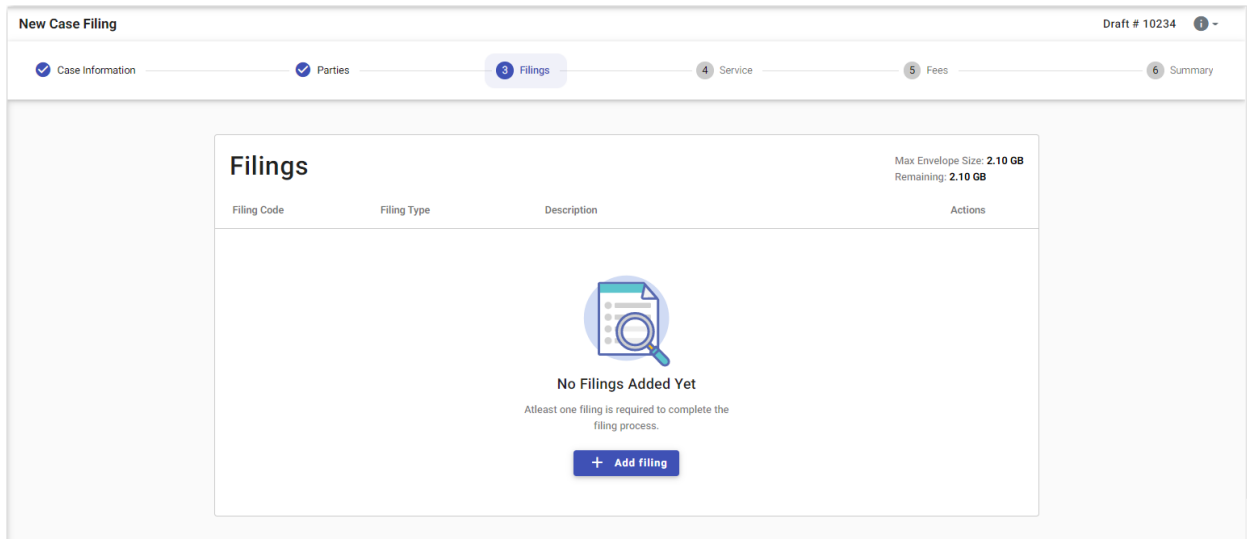



Figure 9.29 – Filings Page

To enter a filing with a Motion Type code:

1. On the *Filings* page, click  .

The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Filing Details' page. At the top, there's a 'New Case Filing' header with a 'Draft # 10234' indicator. Below it is a progress bar with six steps: Case Information, Parties, Filings (highlighted), Service, Fees, and Summary. The main content area is titled 'Edit Filing Details' and is divided into three tabs: Filing Requirements (active), Additional Services, and Communications. The 'Filing Requirements' tab contains several sections:

- Filing Type * (Required)**: Two radio button options. 'eFile Only' is selected. Below it, text says 'Pick "eFile Only" to just electronically file your papers.' The other option is 'eFile and Serve' with text: 'Electronically file your papers with the court and have your documents sent to the selected service contacts.'
- Filing Information**: A 'Filing Code *' dropdown menu with 'Select...' as the current value. Below it are text input fields for 'Client Reference Number' and 'Filing Description'. A larger text area for 'Comments to Court' contains the placeholder 'add comment here'. Below that is a smaller text area for 'Enter comments for filing'.
- Filing on behalf of**: A dropdown menu with 'Select' as the current value.
- Upload Documents**: A section with the text 'To add more than one lead document to the filing, create another filing and upload your document.' and a note 'Select a Filing code to enable adding documents.'

 A 'Select files' button is highlighted in a blue box, positioned between the 'Filing on behalf of' section and the 'Upload Documents' section.

Figure 9.30 – Edit Filing Details Page

- In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
- In the Filing Information pane, select a Motion filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.

The **Motion Type** drop-down list is displayed with a list of applicable motion types.

- Select the appropriate motion type from the drop-down list.
- Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.
- Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
- If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.
- In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.

Select files

- In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

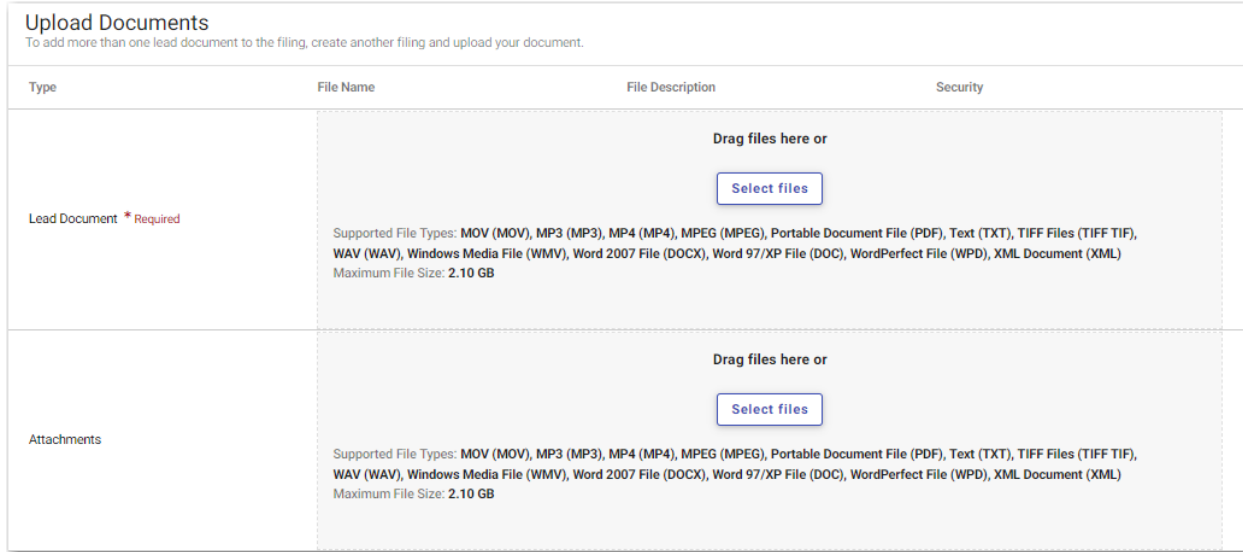
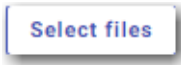


Figure 9.31 – Upload Documents Pane



- If you have attachments to add to the filing, click in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
- If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
- To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

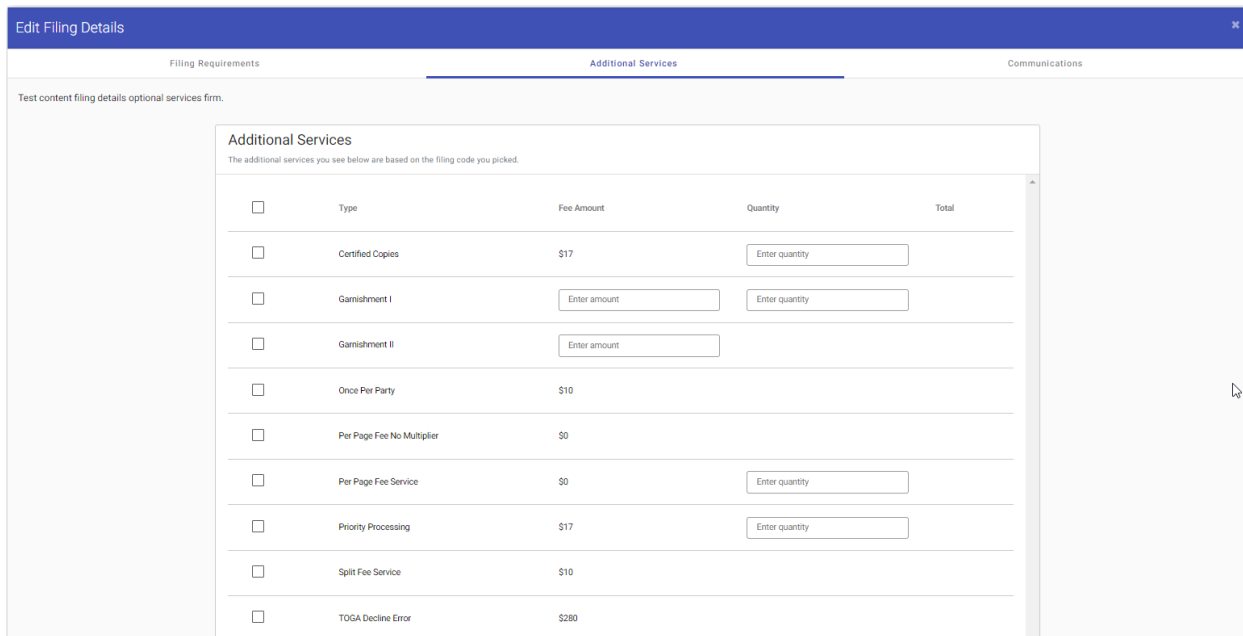


Figure 9.32 – Additional Services Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

- Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

14. Click **Go to Communication**, or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

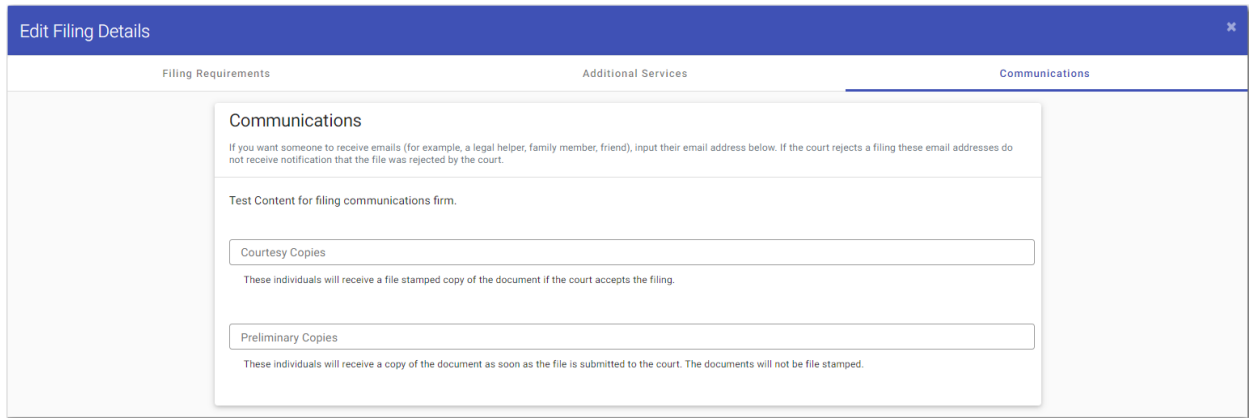


Figure 9.33 – Communications Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

15. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

16. Click **Save**.

17. If you want to add another filing, on the *Filings* page, click **+ Add More**. Then, repeat the same steps for the next filing.

18. After you have added all of the filings, click **Service →**.

Entering a Filing with a Claim Amount

Filers can enter the Claim Amount when that amount has been specified by the court. The **Claim Amount** field is displayed on the *Fees* page. Filers can enter the amount in the **Claim Amount** field. When the Claim Amount is set, an appropriate fee will be applied.

Note: The Claim Amount feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

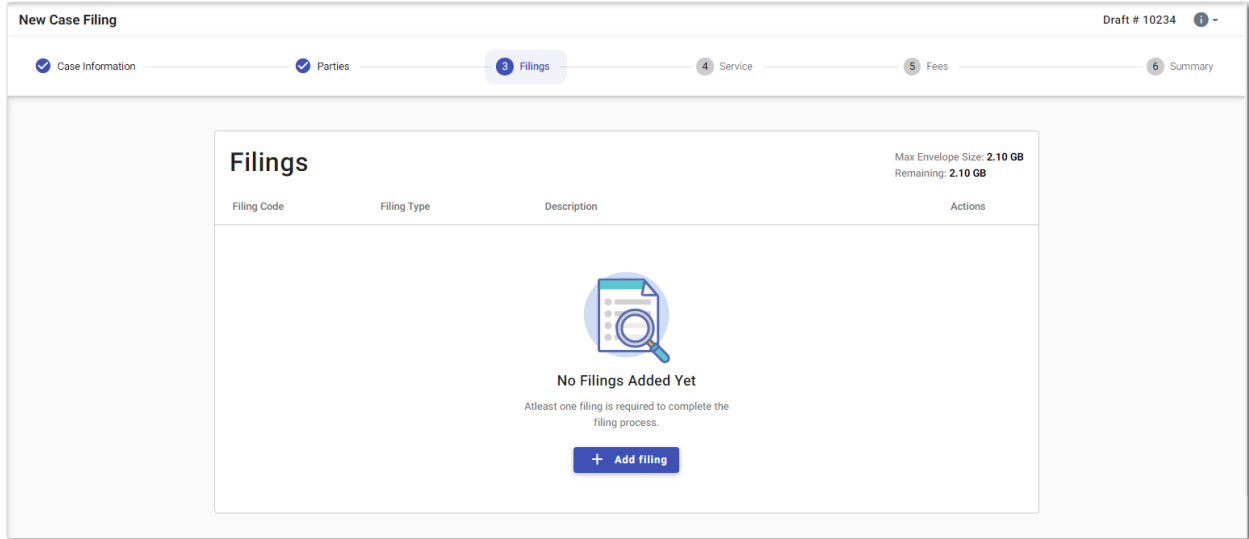



Figure 9.34 – Filings Page

To enter the filing details:



1. On the *Filings* page, click . The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

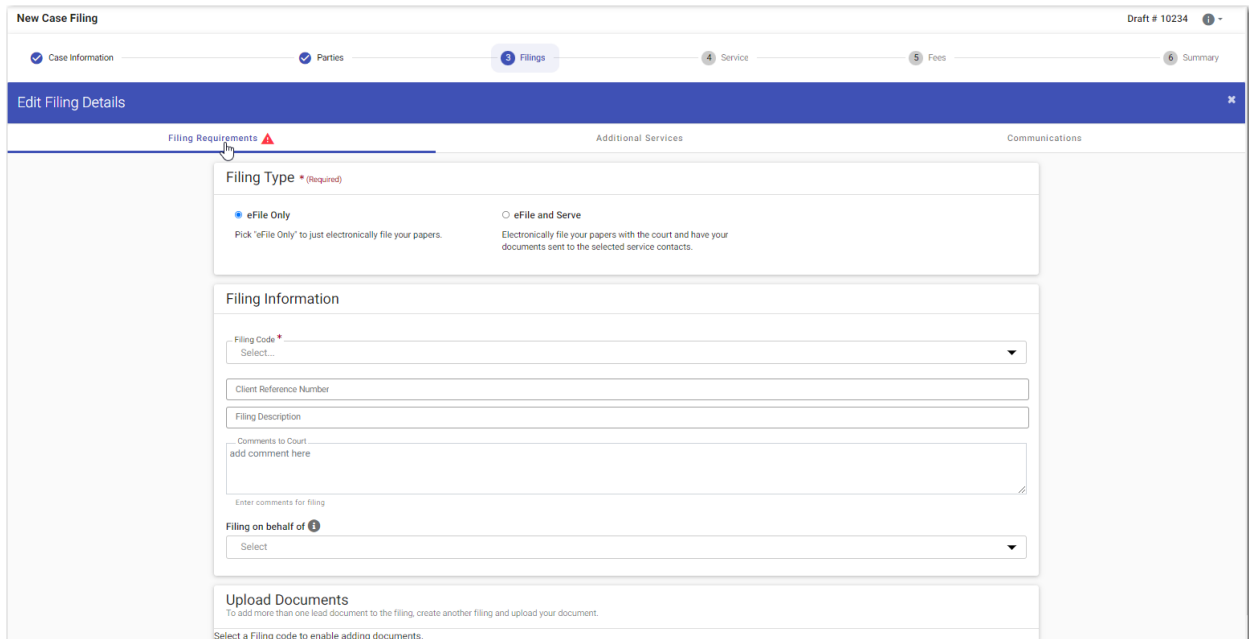


Figure 9.35 – Edit Filing Details Page

2. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
3. In the Filing Information pane, select the appropriate filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.
4. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.

5. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
6. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.
7. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.



8. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

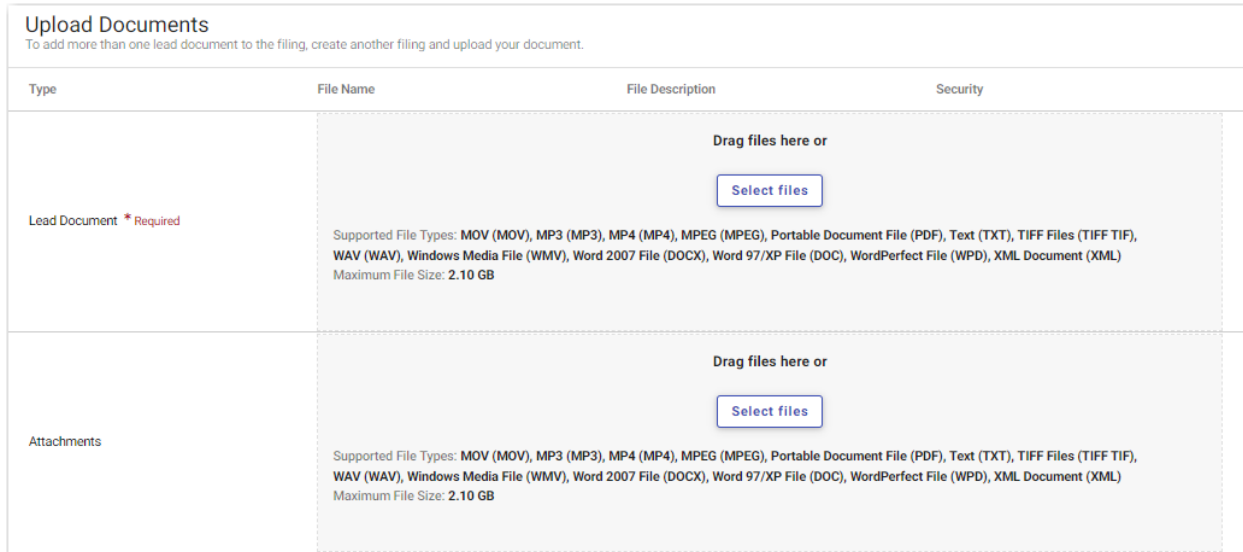
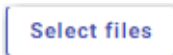
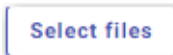


Figure 9.36 – Upload Documents Pane



9. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
10. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
11. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

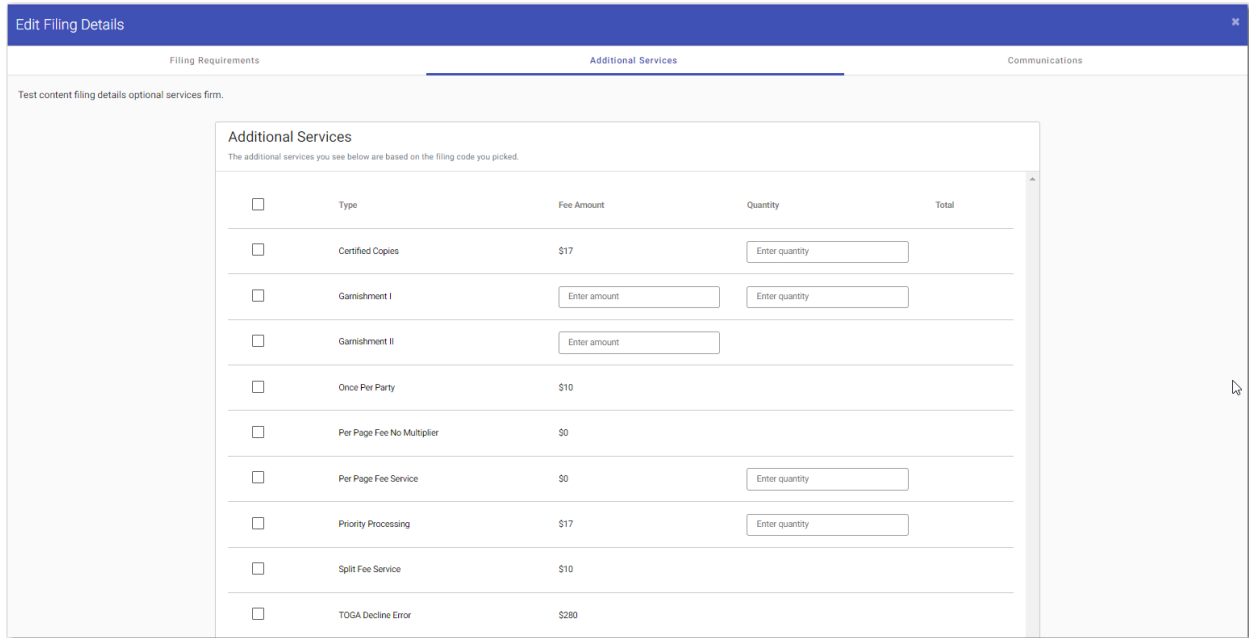


Figure 9.37 – Additional Services Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

12. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

Go to Communication

13. Click **Go to Communication**, or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

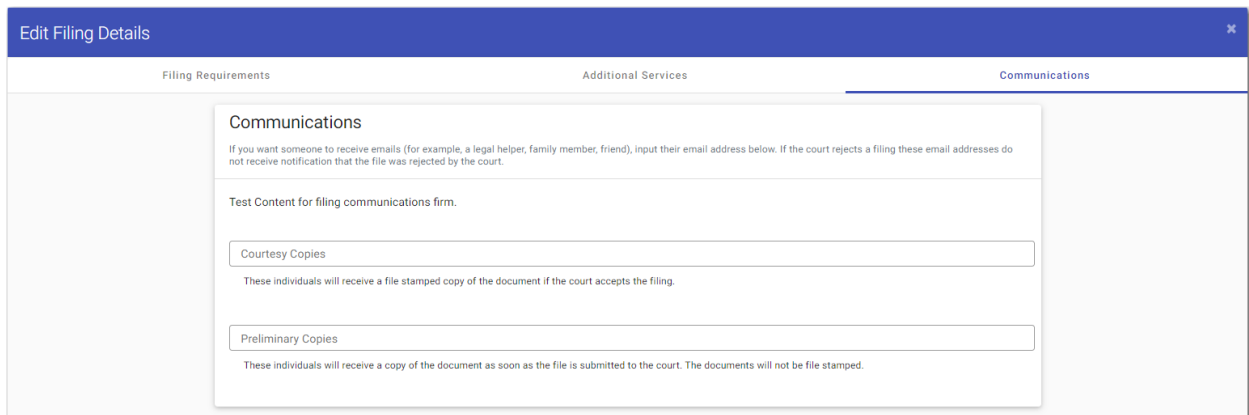


Figure 9.38 – Communications Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

14. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

Save

15. Click **Save**.

Service →

16. Click **Service →**.

The *Service* page is displayed.

17. Select the service contacts, and then click



The *Fees* page is displayed.

18. On the *Fees* page, type the Claim Amount in the **Claim Amount** field.

19. Select the payment account from the **Payment Account** drop-down list, or follow the steps to create a new payment account.

20. Select the party that is responsible for paying the fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list.

Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the Party Responsible for Fees field.


21. Select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

22. Click



The fees for the filing are displayed.

23. Click



to review and complete your filing.

Entering a Filing with an Estate Value

You can enter the Estate Value when that amount has been specified by the court. The Estate Value is the valued amount of an estate in probate cases. The **Estate Value** field is displayed on the *Fees* page. You can enter the amount in the **Estate Value** field. When the Estate Value is set, an appropriate fee will be applied.

Note: The Estate Value feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

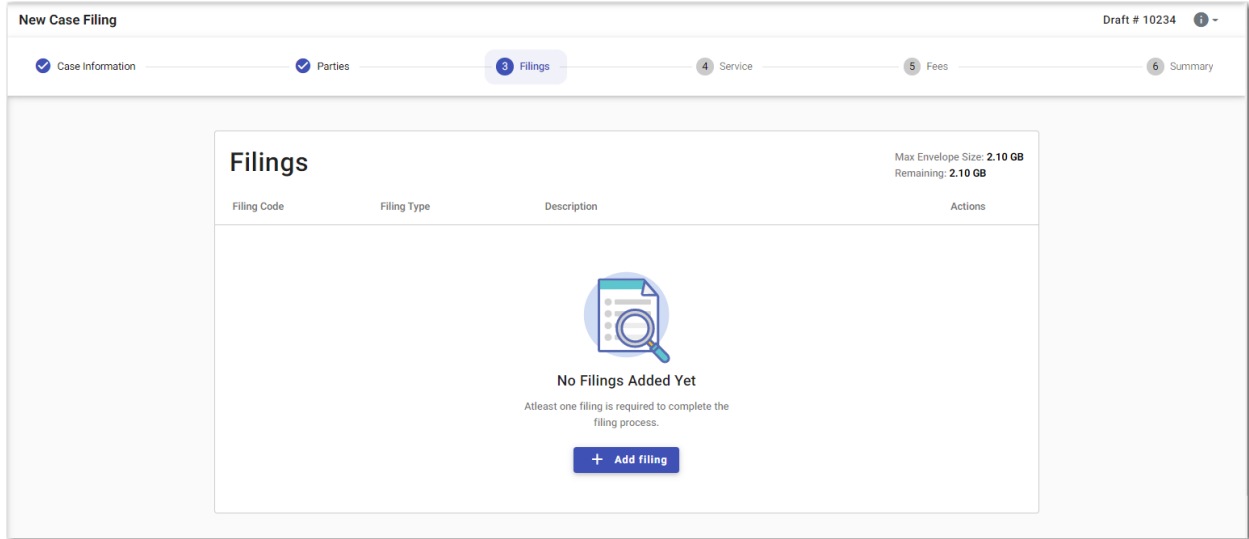



Figure 9.39 – Filings Page

To enter the filing details:



1. On the *Filings* page, click . The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

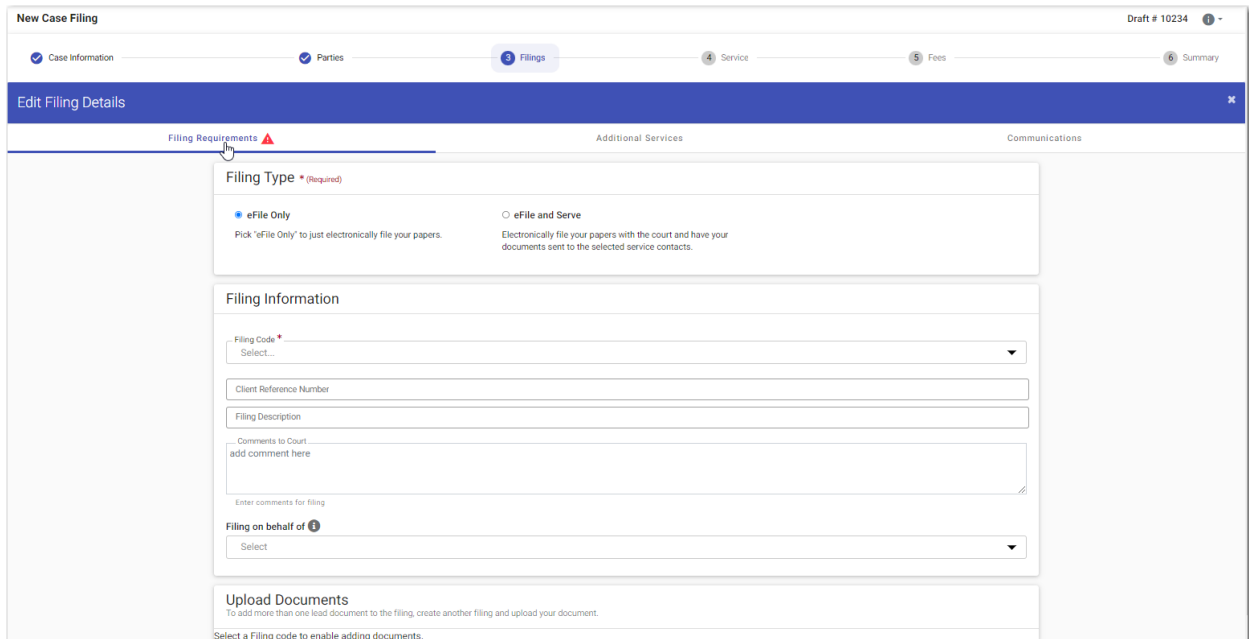


Figure 9.40 – Edit Filing Details Page

2. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
3. In the Filing Information pane, select the appropriate filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.
4. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.

5. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
6. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.
7. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.



8. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

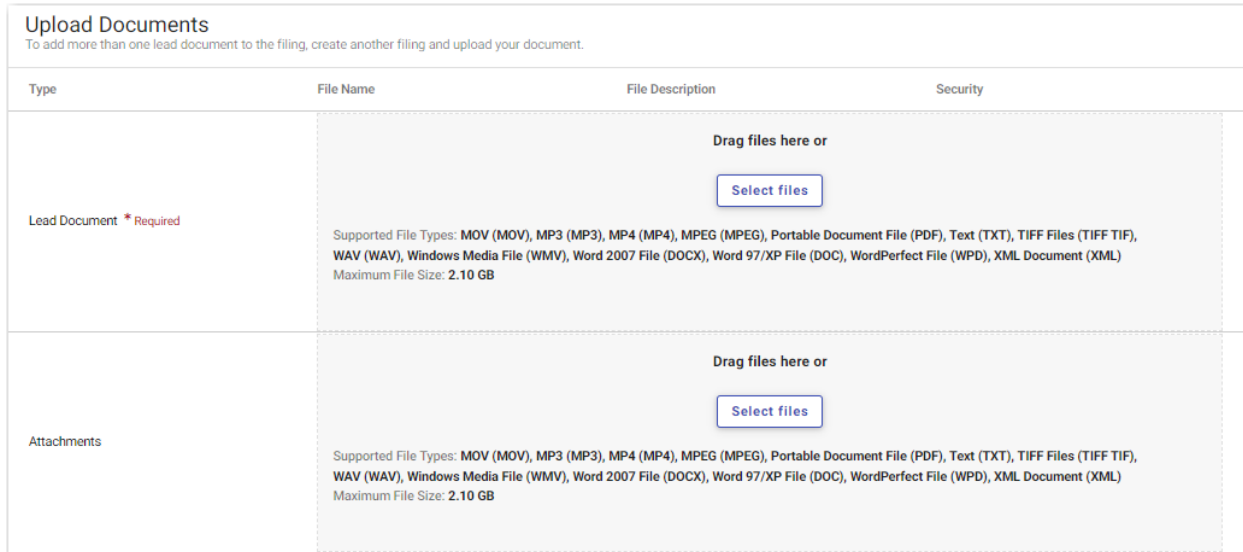
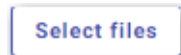
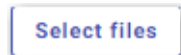


Figure 9.41 – Upload Documents Pane



9. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
10. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
11. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

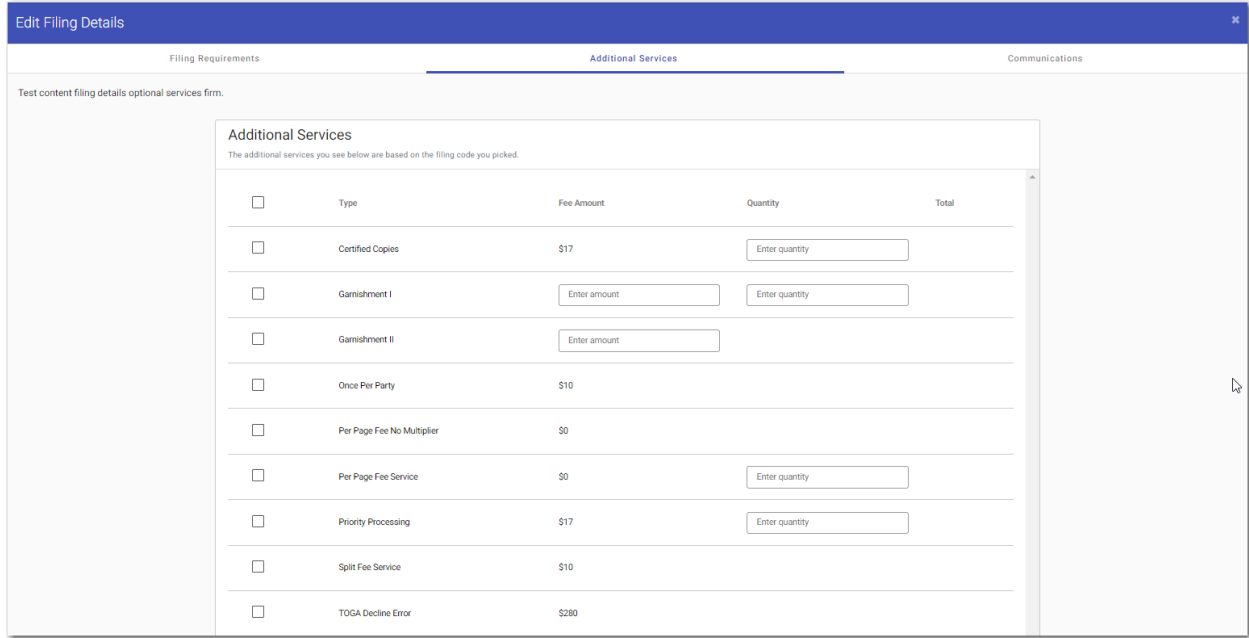


Figure 9.42 – Additional Services Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

12. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

Go to Communication

13. Click **Go to Communication**, or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

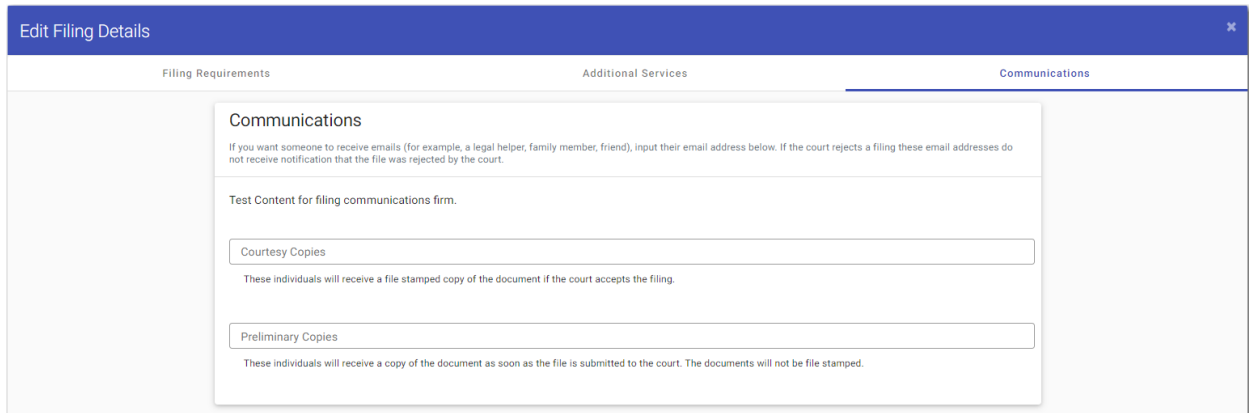


Figure 9.43 – Communications Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

14. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

Save

15. Click **Save**.

Service →

16. Click **Service →**.

The *Service* page is displayed.

17. Select the service contacts, and then click

Fees →

The *Fees* page is displayed.

18. On the *Fees* page, type the Estate Value in the **Estate Value** field.

19. Select the payment account from the **Payment Account** drop-down list, or follow the steps to create a new payment account.

20. Select the party that is responsible for paying the fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list.

Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the Party Responsible for Fees field.

21. Select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

22. Click

Calculate Fees

The fees for the filing are displayed.

23. Click

Summary →

to review and complete your filing.

Entering Payment Information


You can create a payment account before you begin your filing. You can also create a payment account during your filing from the *Fees* page.

Figure 9.44 – Example of a Fees Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the payment information for your filing:

1. Select the payment account from the **Payment Account** drop-down list.

If you do not have an existing payment account, click . Additional fields are displayed. Then, follow the steps to create a new payment account.


Refer to the following topics for details on creating the various types of payment accounts:

- [Adding a Credit Card Payment Account, page 37](#)
- [Adding an E-Check Payment Account, page 41](#)
- [Adding a Draw-Down Account, page 45](#)

2. Select the party responsible for fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list.

Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the Party Responsible for Fees field.

3. Select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

4. In the Fee Breakdown pane, click .

The fees for the filing are displayed.

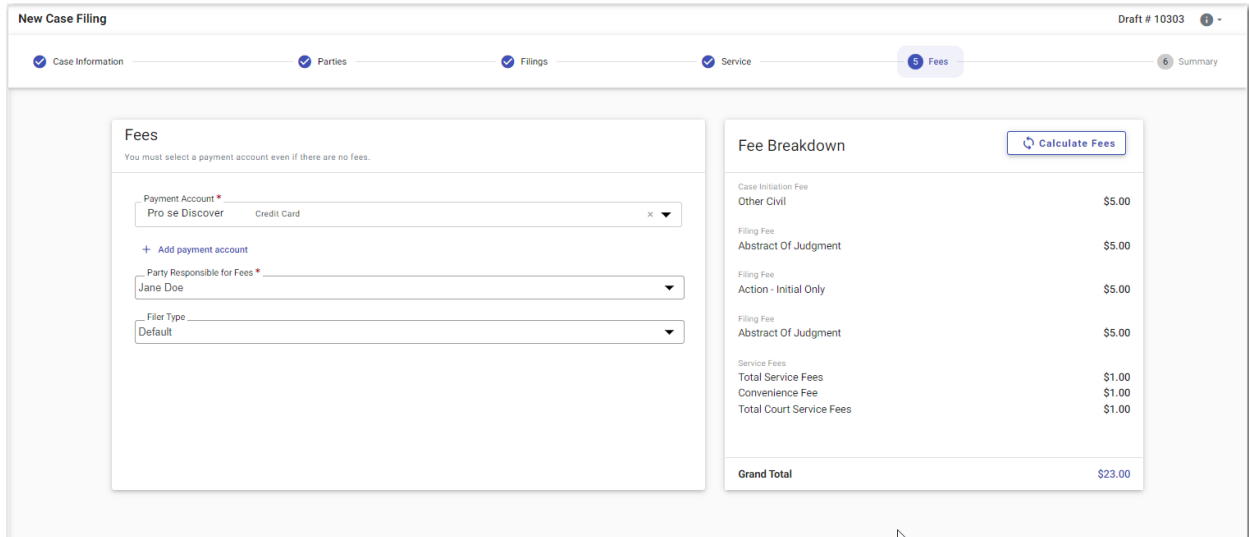



Figure 9.45 – Example of a Fees Page with the Filing Fees Displayed

If you selected mail service for your filing, the mail service fees are displayed on the *Fees* page.

Note: The Mail Service feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

5. Review the filing fees, and then click .


Capability for Filing a Return Date

Filers can select a date by which the respondent must respond to the filing. Filers select the return date on the *Summary* page of a case filing.

Note: The Return Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

The screenshot shows a form titled "Return Date" with a sub-label "Out Of State Service" and an unchecked checkbox. Below is a date input field with a calendar icon and a "Verify" button. A red error message box at the bottom states "Return date must be verified."

Figure 9.46 – Example of the Return Date Pane

After selecting a return date, click  to check whether the selected date is available. If the selected date is verified, a confirmation message is displayed.

Note: You cannot proceed until you verify the selected date.



Figure 9.47 – Return Date Verified Message

If the selected date is not verified, the system may change the date. If the date is changed, the new date will be displayed.

The screenshot shows the same "Return Date" form. The date input field now contains "06/14/2022" and has a red border around it. The "Verify" button is still present.

Figure 9.48 – Example of the Return Date Pane with a Valid Date Displayed

If you select an invalid return date, the invalid date is displayed with a red border, indicating an error. You cannot proceed until you select a valid date.

Return Date

Out Of State Service

Return Date
05/31/2022 Verify

Figure 9.49 – Example of the Return Date Pane with an Error in the Return Date Field

After you complete your filing, the return date is displayed in the envelope details. If you requested out-of-state service, that information is also displayed in the envelope details.

Envelope

Envelope ID 187677	Submitted by Lauren Groswald	Username [redacted]@gmail.com
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Case Information

Case Location OFS MockCMS	Case Type *****	Case Category *****
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Hearing

Hearing Start Date 06/04/2022	Hearing Start Time 8:00 AM	Hearing End Time 9:00 AM
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Return Date

Return Date
06/14/2022

Parties

Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney
Defendant	John Doe	Abby Carmichael
Plaintiff	Sally Smith	Perry Mason

Filings

Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment			▼

Service Contacts

Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts
Defendant	John Doe	0 ▼
Plaintiff	Sally Smith	0 ▼
Other Service Contacts		0 ▼

Fees

Payment account Firm's New CC 11202020	Party responsible John Doe	Filing attorney
Filer Type Default		
Order ID 000187677-0	Transaction Response	Transaction Amount \$8.00
		Transaction ID 158938

Figure 9.50 – Example of the Return Date in the Envelope Details

Selecting a Return Date for a Case Filing

Note: The Return Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To select a return date for a case filing:

1. From the *Dashboard* page, click 

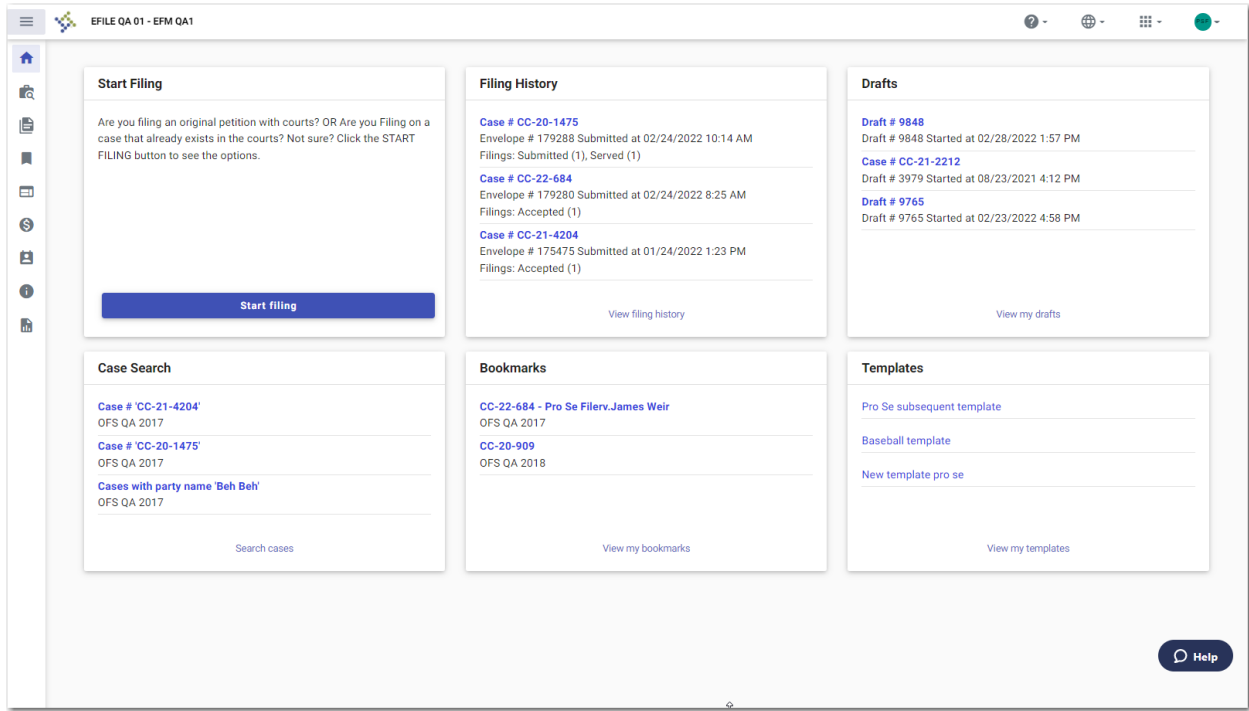


Figure 9.51 – Dashboard Page

The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

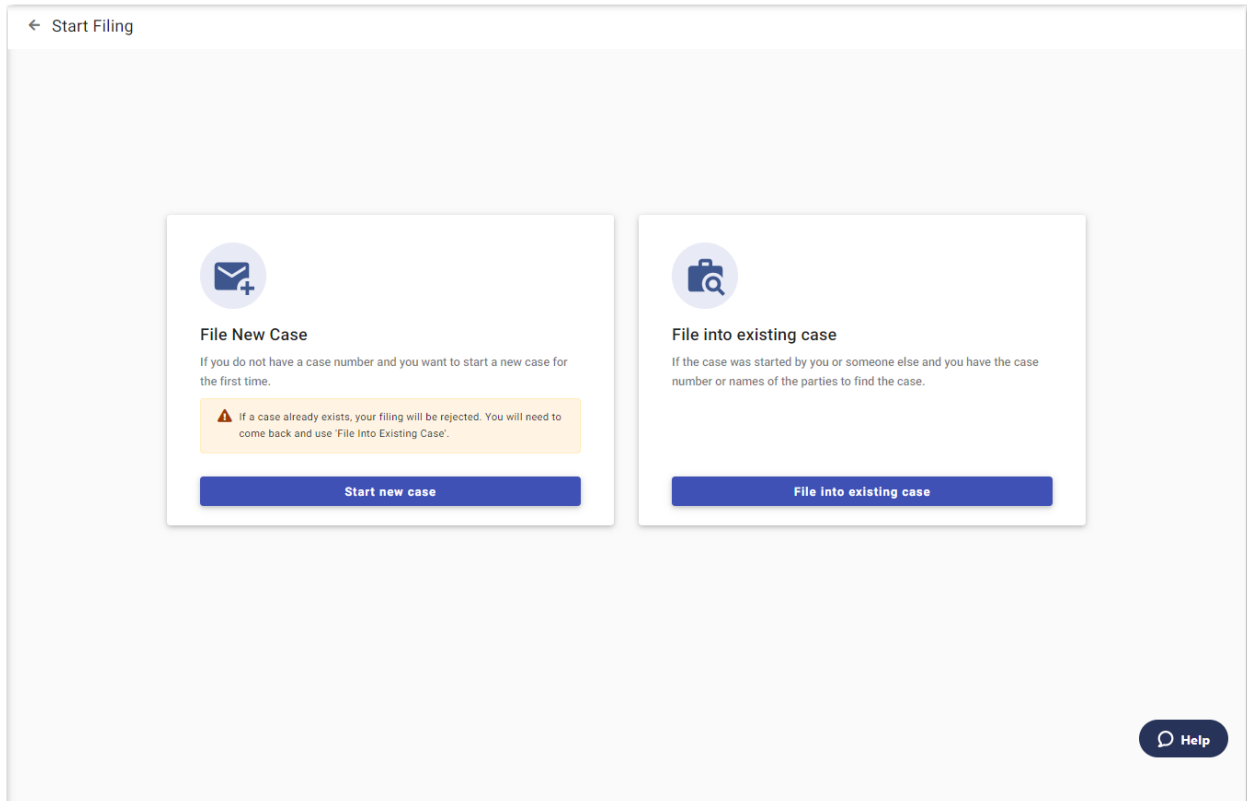
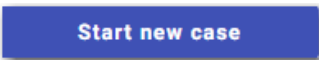

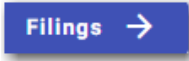





Figure 9.52 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .
The *Case Information* page is displayed.
3. Complete the details for the case by completing the fields on the *Case Information* page, and then click  .
The *Parties* page is displayed.
4. Complete the fields on the *Parties* page, and then click  .
The *Filings* page is displayed.
5. Complete the fields on the *Filings* page, and then click  .
The *Service* page is displayed.
6. Select the service contacts, and then click  .
The *Fees* page is displayed.
7. Complete the fields on the *Fees* page, and then click  .

The *Summary* page is displayed.

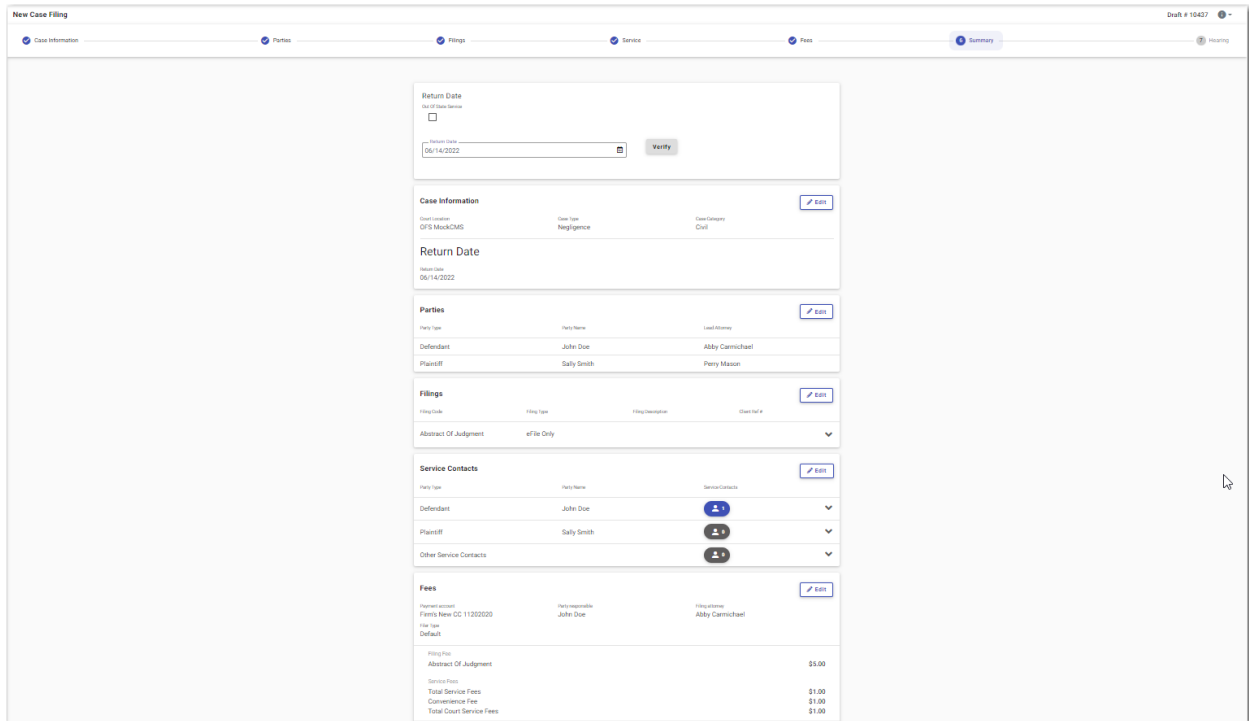


Figure 9.53 – Return Date Pane on the Summary Page

8. On the *Summary* page, to select a return date:
 - a. If the respondent is located out of state, select the **Out of State Service** check box.

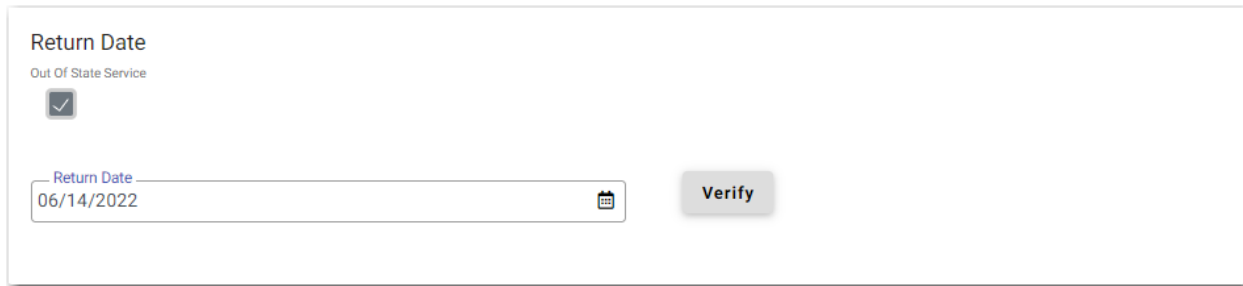

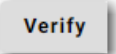


Figure 9.54 – Out of State Service Check Box Selected in the Return Date Pane

- b. Type a date in the **Return Date** field, or click  to select a date from the calendar.
 - c. Click .

If the selected date is verified, a confirmation message is displayed.

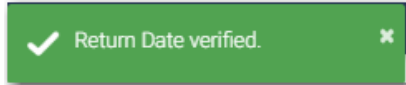


Figure 9.55 – Return Date Verified Message

If the selected date is not verified, the system may change the date. If the date is changed, the new date will be displayed in the **Return Date** field.

Figure 9.56 – Example of the Return Date Pane with a Valid Date Displayed

9. Verify the rest of the information on the *Summary* page, and then submit your filing.

Reverify the Return Date

The system forces you to reverify the return date if you navigate away from the *Summary* page before submitting the filing. When you return to the *Summary* page, you must reverify the return date before the filing can be submitted.

Note: The Return Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Reverifying a Return Date

Note: The Return Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To reverify the return date:

1. After making changes in your case filing, navigate to the *Summary* page.

Note: You must reverify the return date that you previously selected.

If the date you previously selected is still available, the date is displayed in the **Return Date** field.

If the date you previously selected is no longer available, a new date is displayed in the **Return Date** field.

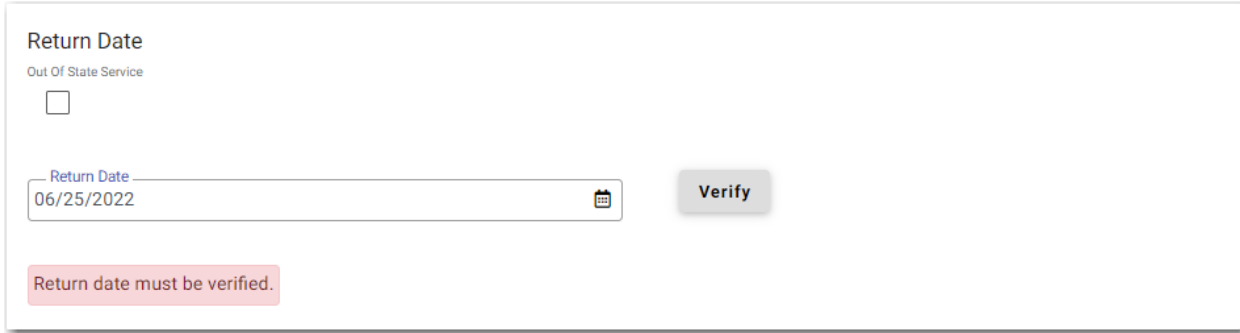





Figure 9.57 – Return Date Pane

2. Click  to verify the date that is displayed, or type a new date, and then click .
3. When all of the information on the *Summary* page is correct, click .

Submission Agreements

The court may elect to have a submission agreement that is specific to the terms of the e-filing rules. In this case, you must select the appropriate check boxes before continuing with your filing.

Note: Submission agreements are configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

The Submission Agreements pane is displayed on the *Summary* page. If submission agreements are configured by your court, you must select the check boxes in the Submission Agreements pane to complete your filing.

Your court may be configured with one disclaimer or with more than one disclaimer. The specific wording of each disclaimer is configured by Tyler at the court’s request.

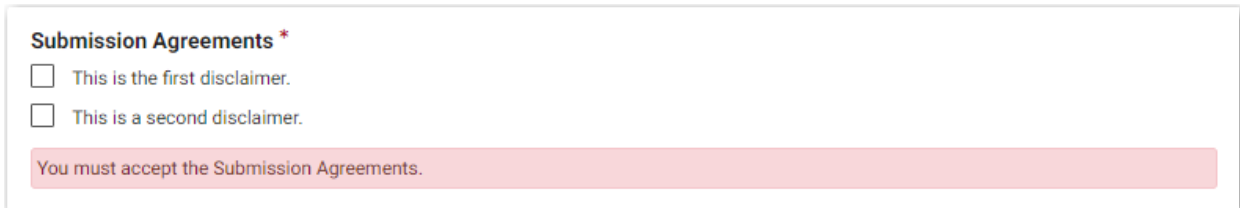


Figure 9.58 – Example of a Submission Agreements Pane with Two Disclaimers



Figure 9.59 – Example of a Submission Agreements Pane with the Check Boxes Selected for Two Disclaimers

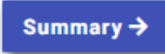
If no submission agreements are required by your court, the Submission Agreements pane is displayed with no options to select.

Viewing the Envelope Summary

The envelope summary provides a summary of case information, such as the location of the filing, the parties involved in the case, filing details, fees, and payments for the case.

The party, filings, and fees information must be complete before you can view the envelope summary.

To view the envelope summary:

1. Complete the required information on the *Case Information*, *Parties*, *Filings* and *Fees* pages.
2. After you have completed the fields in each section, from the *Fees* page, click  .

The *Summary* page is displayed.

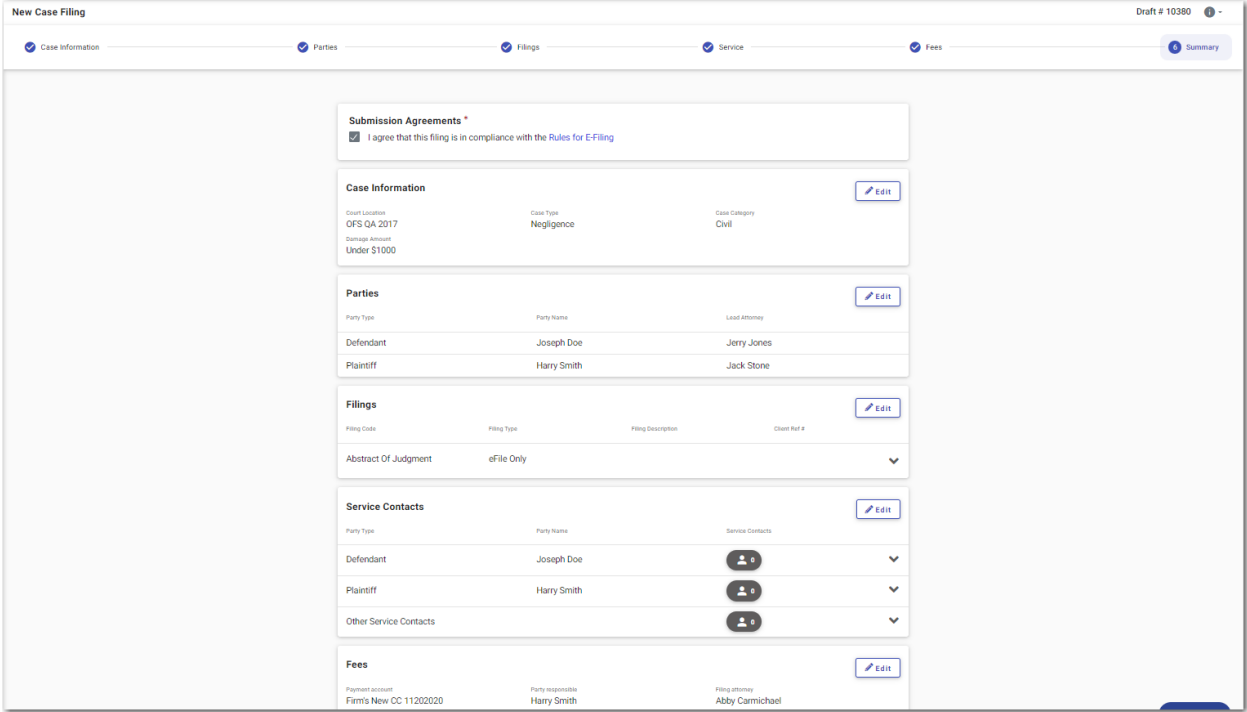


Figure 9.60 – Example of a Summary Page

If you selected mail service for your filing, the mail service fees are displayed in the Fees pane on the *Summary* page.

Note: The Mail Service feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Submission Agreements
 I agree that this filing is in compliance with the Rules for E-Filing

Case Information

Court Location	Case Type	Case Category
OFS QA 2017	City Ordinance Cases	Civil

Parties

Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney
Defendant	Julia Childs	
Plaintiff	Charles Henderson	

Filings

Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Classified
Appointment	eFile and Serve		

Service Contacts

Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts
Defendant	Julia Childs	
Plaintiff	Charles Henderson	
Other Service Contacts		

Fees

Itemized amount	Party responsible	Filing Office
Fee CC 01.04	Charles Henderson	Jack Stone

Case Initiation Fee	
City Ordinance Cases	\$10.00
Filing Fee	
Appointment	\$5.00
Mail Service Fees	
Total Mail Service Fees	\$6.00
Service Fees	
Total Service Fees	\$1.00
Convenience Fee	\$1.00
Total Court Service Fees	\$1.00
Grand Total	\$24.00

Figure 9.61 – Example of a Summary Page with Mail Service Fees Displayed

If envelope comments are configured on your system, the comments are displayed in the Case pane on the *Summary* page.

Note: The Envelope Comments feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

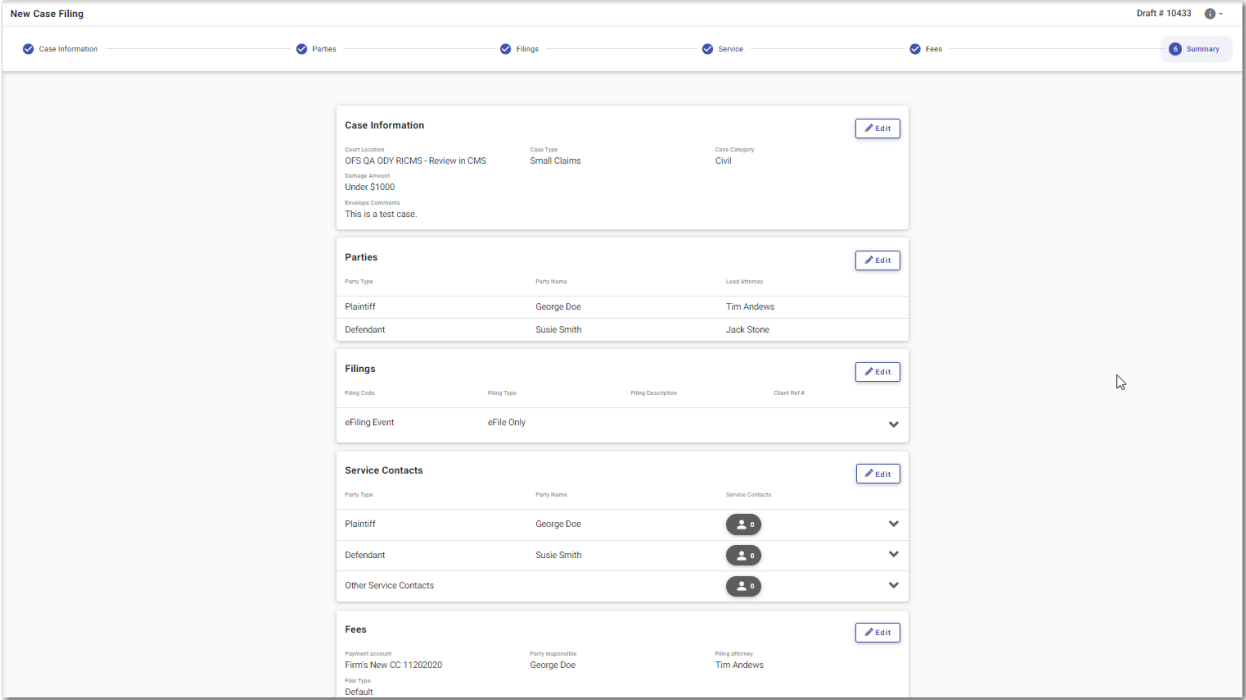


Figure 9.62 – Example of a Summary Page with Envelope Comments Displayed

- 3. If there are submission agreements for your filing, select the appropriate check boxes for the submission agreements.
- 4. Review the summary of the case filing. If you want to change any information on the page, click



in the pane in which you want to change the information.



- 5. After you are satisfied with the information in your filing, click .
The *Envelope Submitted* window is displayed.

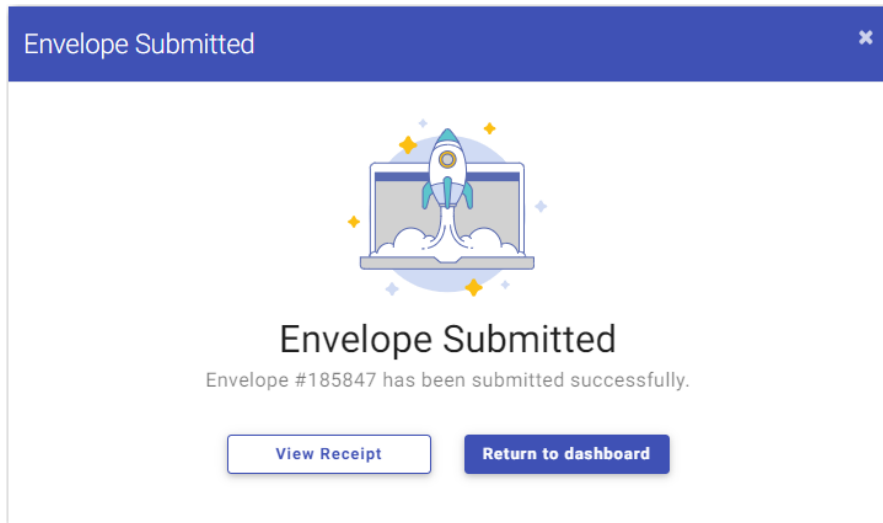




Figure 9.63 – Envelope Submitted Window

6. In the *Envelope Submitted* window, do one of the following:

- Click . The *Printable Envelope Details* page is displayed in a separate tab. View the envelope details, and then close the tab.
- Click  to return to the *Dashboard* page.
- Click **x** to close the *Envelope Submitted* window. The *Dashboard* page is displayed.


Viewing Case Address Information on the Summary Page

The envelope summary provides a summary of case information, such as the location of the filing, the parties involved in the case, filing details, fees, and payments for the case.

Note: The Case Address feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

The party, filings, and fees information must be complete before you can view the envelope summary.

To view the case address information in the envelope summary:

1. Complete the required information on the *Case Information* page, the *Parties* page, the *Filings* page, and the *Fees* page.
2. After you have completed the fields in each section, from the *Fees* page, click . The *Summary* page is displayed.

New Case Filing Draft # 10444

Case Information Parties Filings Service Fees Summary

Submission Agreements *

I agree that this filing is in compliance with the Rules for E-Filing

Case Information [Edit](#)

Court Location: OFS GA 2017 Case Type: Notice Of Removal Case Category: Civil

Case Address: 555 Main Street, Dallas, TX 75221 US, Dallas

Parties [Edit](#)

Party Type: Party Name: Lead Attorney:

Defendant: John Smith Perry Mason

Filings [Edit](#)

Filing Code: Filing Type: Filing Description: Court Fee:

Abstract Of Judgment: eFile Only

Service Contacts [Edit](#)

Party Type: Party Name: Service Contacts:

Defendant: John Smith

Other Service Contacts:

Fees [Edit](#)

Payment Account: Florida Now CC 11202020 Party responsible: John Smith Filings/Case: Perry Mason

Fee type: Default

Filing Fee	\$9.00
Abstract Of Judgment	\$9.00
Service Fee	\$1.00
Total Service Fees	\$1.00
Convenience Fee	\$1.00
Total Court Service Fees	\$1.00
Grand Total	\$9.00

Figure 9.64 – Case Address Information on the Summary Page

3. If there are submission agreements for your filing, select the appropriate check boxes for the submission agreements.
4. Review the summary of the case filing. If you want to change any information on the page, click



in the pane in which you want to change the information.

5. After you are satisfied with the information in your filing, click



The *Envelope Submitted* window is displayed.

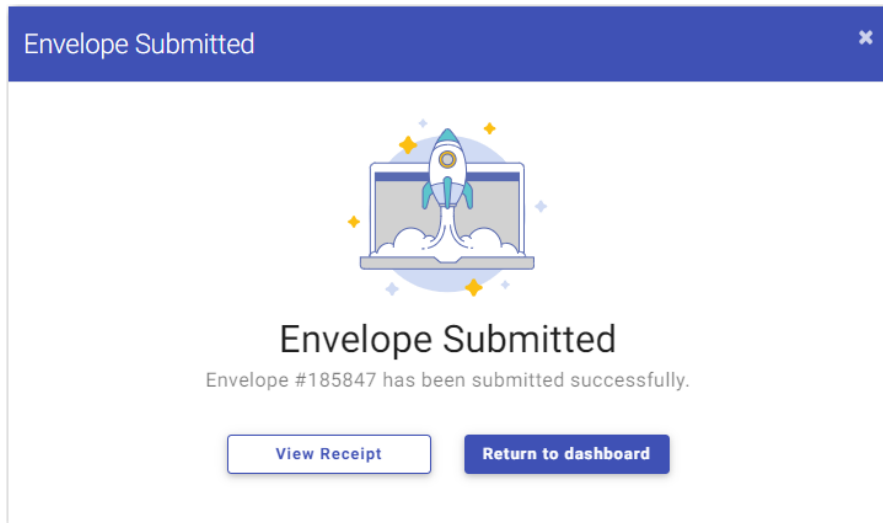




Figure 9.65 – Envelope Submitted Window

6. In the *Envelope Submitted* window, do one of the following:

- Click . The *Printable Envelope Details* page is displayed in a separate tab. View the envelope details, and then close the tab.
- Click  to return to the *Dashboard* page.
- Click **x** to close the *Envelope Submitted* window. The *Dashboard* page is displayed.

View Case Judicial Officer

You can view the judicial officer who is assigned to a case from several locations in File & Serve.

Note: The Case Judicial Officer feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

The case judicial officer information is available on the following pages:

- *Envelope Details* page for initial and subsequent filings




Envelope Details Print X

Envelope			
Envelope ID	Submitted by	Username	
187799	Lauren Groswald	[redacted]@gmail.com	

Case Information		
Court Location	Case Type	Case Category
OFS QA 2017	Breach Of Contract	Civil
Judge	Hammond, Don	

Parties		
Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney
Plaintiff	Jane Doe	
Defendant	John Doe	

Filings			
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment			

Service Contacts			
Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts	
Plaintiff	Jane Doe	 ▼	
Defendant	John Doe	 ▼	
Other Service Contacts		 ▼	

Fees			
Payment amount	Party responsible	Filing attorney	
Firm's New CC 11202020	John Doe		
Filer Type	Default		
Order ID	Transaction Response	Transaction Amount	Transaction ID
000187799-0		\$8.00	159069
Filing Fee	Abstract Of Judgment		\$5.00
Service Fees			
Convenience Fee			\$1.00
Total Filing & Service Fees			\$1.00
Total Court Service Fees			\$1.00

Support

Figure 9.66 – Example of the Judge Information on the Envelope Details Page

- Summary page for subsequent filings

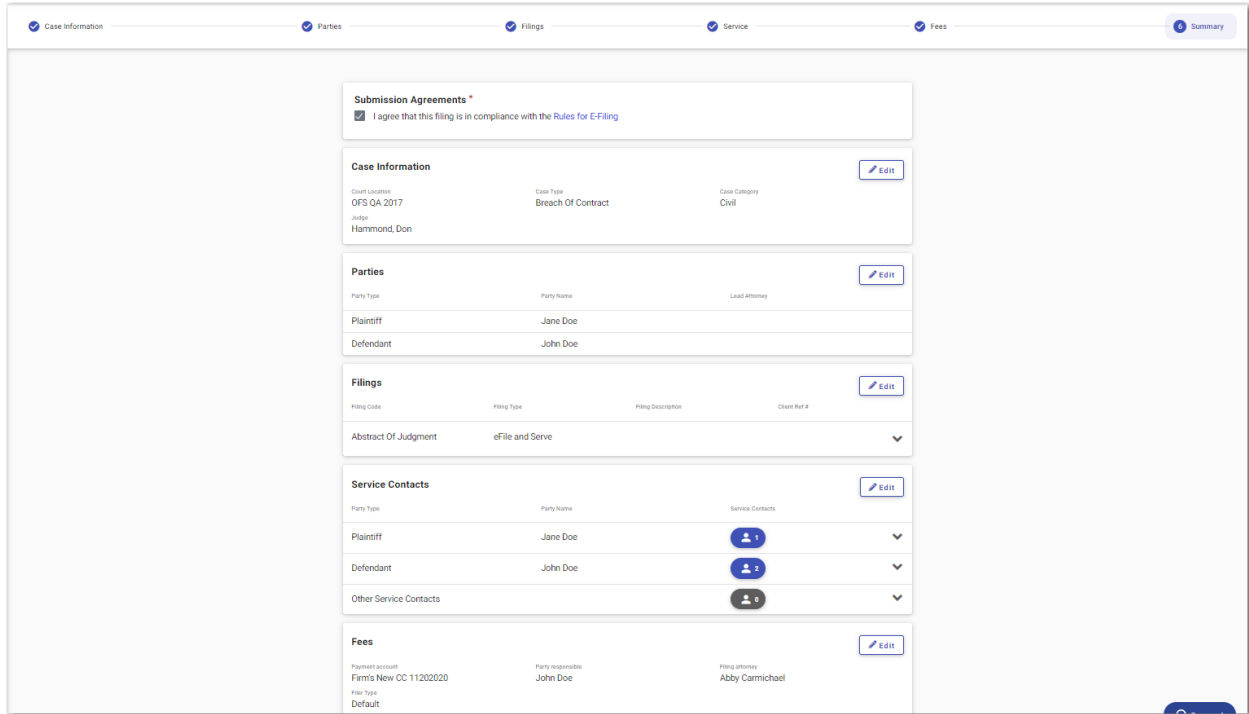


Figure 9.67 – Example of the Judge Information on the Summary Page

- *Case Information* page for subsequent filings

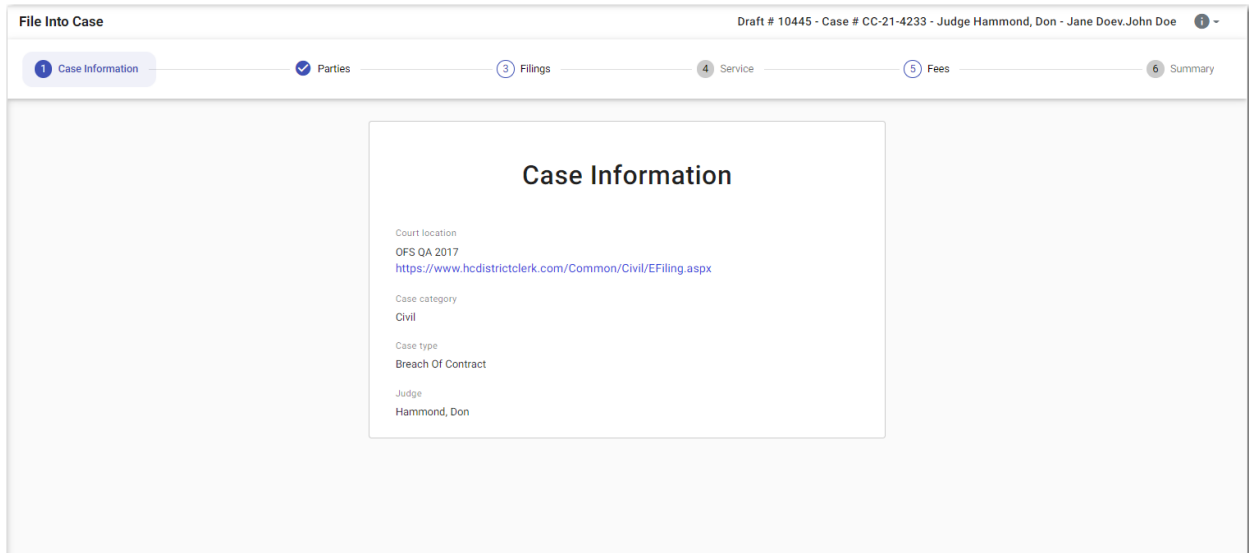


Figure 9.68 – Example of the Judge Information on the Case Information Page

- *Bookmarks* page for subsequent filings

































Bookmark Filter	31 - 42 of 42		
Case Location	Case #	Location	
Any Location	CC-21-3013	OFS QA 2017	   
Case Number	Case Description		
Case Number	Jane Doe, IIIv. John Smith, III		
Case Description	Case #	Location	Judge
Case Description	CC-21-3102	OFS QA 2017 - Court at Law	Hammond, Don
<input type="button" value="Reset"/>	Case #	Location	
<input type="button" value="Filter"/>	CC-21-3181	OFS QA 2017	   
	Case #	Location	
	CC-21-3185	OFS QA 2017	   
	Case Description		
	Linda Gregoryv. Aureole Lainey		
	Case #	Location	
	CC-21-3321	OFS QA 2017	   
	Case Description		
	James Beardv. Emma Thomas		
	Case #	Location	
	CC-21-452	OFS QA 2014	   
	Case #	Location	
	CC-21-655	OFS QA 2017	   
	Case #	Location	
	CC-21-663	OFS QA 2018 - Court at Law 1	   
	Case #	Location	
	CC-21-668	OFS QA 2017	   
	Case Description		
	Frank AndersonVS. Julian Smith		

Figure 9.69 – Example of the Judge Information on the Bookmarks Page

Capability for Hearing Dates

Filers can search for available hearing dates and then select a specified date. The hearing date is reserved in the system.

Note: The Hearing Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Filers can select a hearing date in a couple of ways:

- The filer completes a case filing and then submits it. Then the filer is prompted to select a hearing date and time.
- After a filing has been submitted, if a hearing was not previously scheduled, the filer can view the envelope details and then select a hearing date and time.

The filer schedules a hearing date and time on the *Schedule Hearing* page.

Schedule Hearing for Envelope #185887

Select	Date	Start	End
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	8:00 AM	9:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	11:00 AM	12:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	1:00 PM	2:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	2:00 PM	3:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	3:00 PM	4:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	4:00 PM	5:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/07/2022	8:00 AM	9:00 AM

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Figure 9.70 – Example of a Schedule Hearing Page

If the filer does not want to schedule a hearing at this time, the filer can click

Scheduling a Hearing Date for a New Case Filing

You can schedule a hearing after completing all of the fields in a case filing and then submitting your filing.

Note: The Hearing Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: The example screen shots may differ from the screens displayed in your system.

To schedule a hearing for a new case filing:

1. From the *Dashboard* page, click

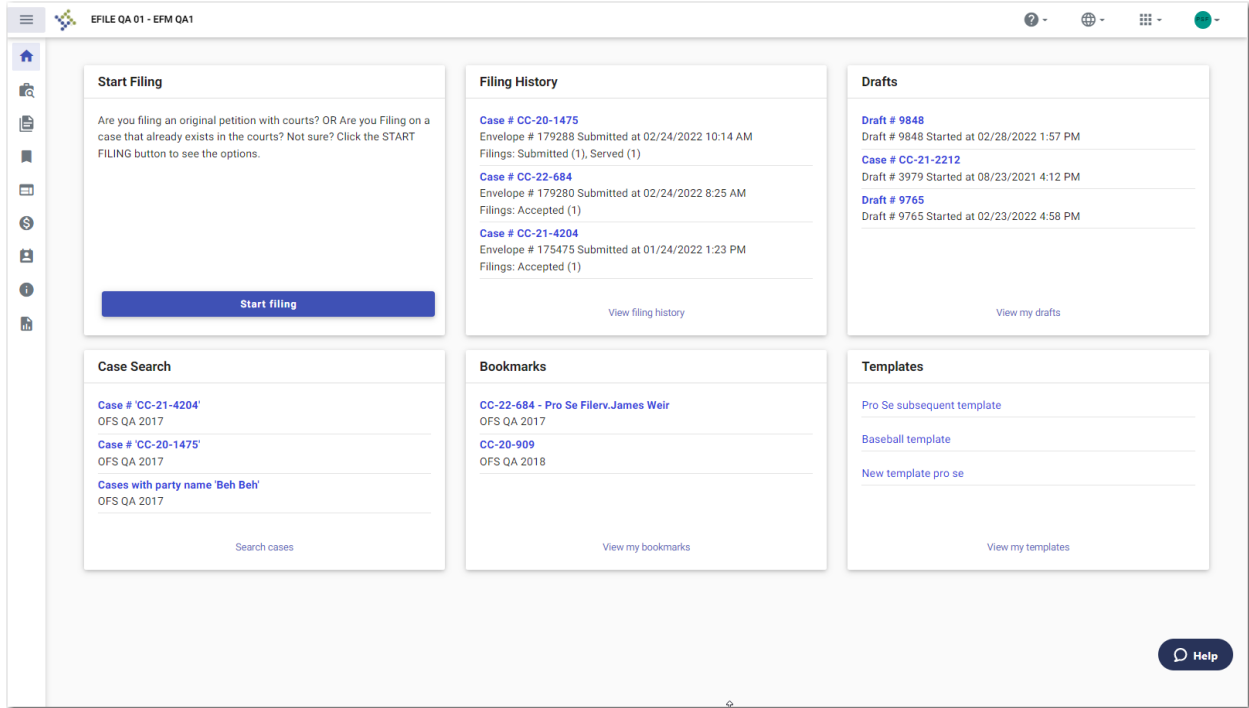


Figure 9.71 – Dashboard Page

The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

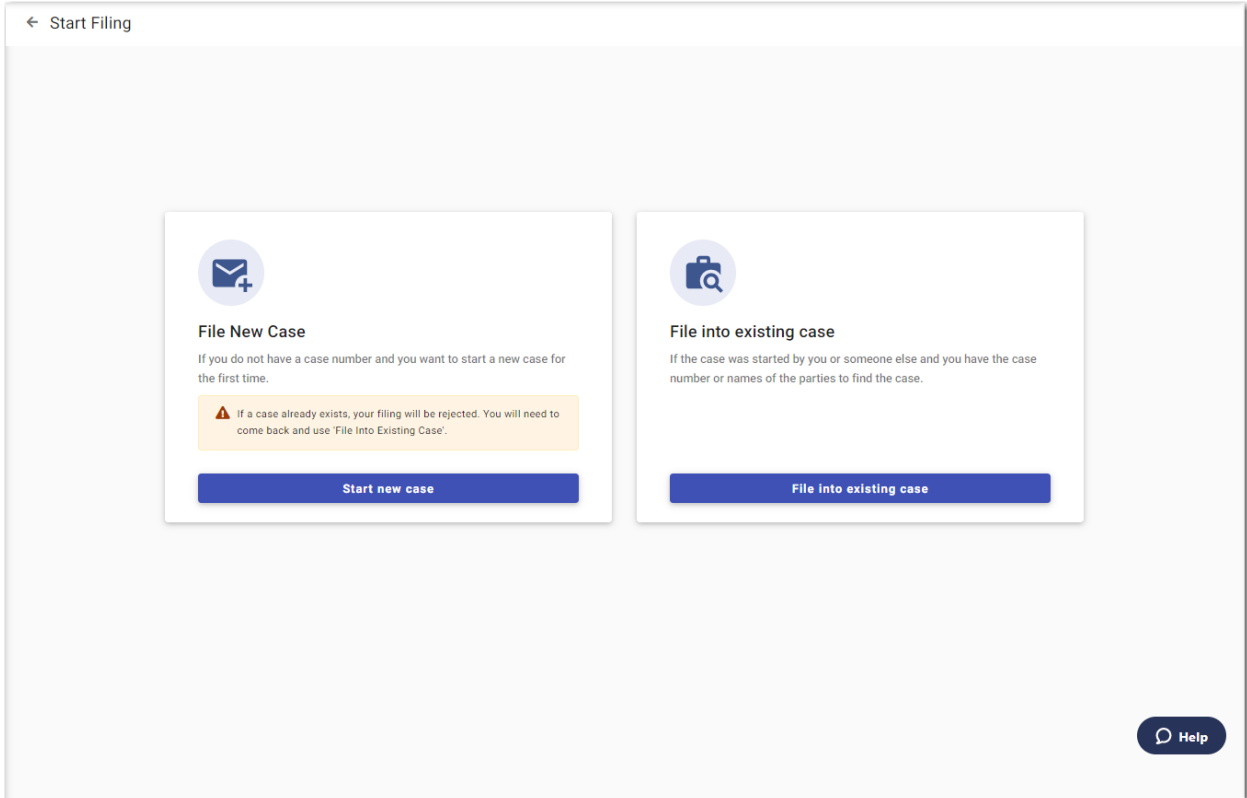


Figure 9.72 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .

The *Case Information* page is displayed.

Figure 9.73 – Case Information Page

3. Complete the details for the case by completing the fields on the *Case Information* page, and then click

Parties →

The *Parties* page is displayed.

Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney	Actions
Defendant *	+ Add party details		
Plaintiff *	+ Add party details		

+ Add More

Figure 9.74 – Parties Page

4. Complete the fields on the *Parties* page, and then click

Filings →

The *Filings* page is displayed.

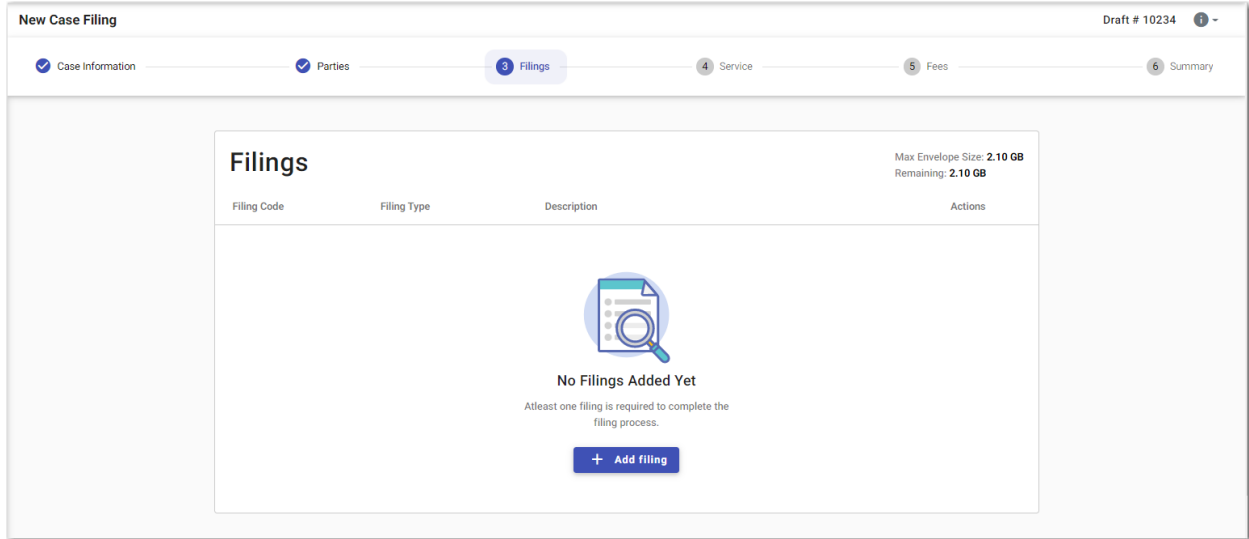
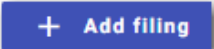

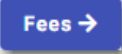
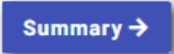


Figure 9.75 – Filings Page

5. On the *Filings* page, click . Then complete the required fields, as applicable.
6. Click .

The *Service* page is displayed.
7. Select the service contacts, and then click .

The *Fees* page is displayed.
8. Complete the fields on the *Fees* page, and then click .

The *Summary* page is displayed.

Return Date
 No Of Date Service
 Return Date: 06/14/2022

Case Information
 Case Name: QP's Mock CMS Case Type: Negligence Case Category: Civil

Return Date
 Return Date: 06/14/2022

Parties

Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney
Defendant	John Doe	Abby Carmichael
Plaintiff	Sally Smith	Patty Mason

Filings

Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Case Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment	efile Only		

Service Contacts

Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts
Defendant	John Doe	<input type="button" value="add"/> <input type="button" value="remove"/>
Plaintiff	Sally Smith	<input type="button" value="add"/> <input type="button" value="remove"/>
Other Service Contacts		<input type="button" value="add"/> <input type="button" value="remove"/>

Fees

Payment Account	Party responsible	Filing Attorney
Firm's New CC: 11202020	John Doe	Abby Carmichael
Fee Type		
Default		
Filing Fee		
Abstract Of Judgment		\$5.00
Service Fees		
Total Service Fees		\$1.00
Convenience Fee		\$1.00
Total Court Service Fees		\$1.00

Figure 9.76 – Example of a Summary Page

9. Complete any required fields on the *Summary* page, and verify all of the information. Then, click




The *Schedule Hearing* page is displayed.

Schedule Hearing for Envelope #185887

Select	Date	Start	End
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	8:00 AM	9:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	11:00 AM	12:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	1:00 PM	2:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	2:00 PM	3:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	3:00 PM	4:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	4:00 PM	5:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/07/2022	8:00 AM	9:00 AM

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Figure 9.77 – Example of a Schedule Hearing Page

10. Select the hearing date and time that you want from the options listed, and then click .

A confirmation message is displayed, and then the *Dashboard* page is displayed.

Note: You can view the scheduled hearing date in the envelope details.

Note: If you want to schedule your hearing at another time, click .

Scheduling a Hearing for an Existing Case Filing

You can schedule a hearing for a case filing for which no hearing was previously scheduled, and for which the court has not yet reviewed the envelope.

Note: The Hearing Date feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To schedule a hearing for an existing case filing:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot displays a web interface for filing history. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Status, Location, Case / Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main area shows a list of cases, each with a header, a table of details, and a set of action icons. The cases listed are:

- Case # CC-20-1475**: Julia Reedv.Sam Muir. Envelope # 179288 Submitted 02/24/2022 10:14 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Served, Submitted; Filing Code: Service Only, Mandate; Filing Type: Service Only, eFile Only.
- Case # CC-22-684**: Pro Se Filerv.James Weir. Envelope # 179280 Submitted 02/24/2022 8:26 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted; Filing Code: Action - Initial Only; Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-4204**: Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates. Envelope # 175475 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:23 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted; Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only; Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-3714**: Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall. Envelope # 175474 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:17 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Submitted; Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only; Filing Type: eFile and Serve.
- Envelope # 175472**: Envelope # 175472 Submitted 01/24/2022 11:32 AM by Pro Se Filer.

Figure 9.78 – Example of a Filing History Page

2. Locate the specified case for which you want to schedule a hearing.

3. Click  .

The envelope details are displayed.

Details - Envelope # 187678

[Print](#)
[Schedule Hearing](#)
[Close](#)

Envelope			
Envelope ID 187678	Submitted By Lauren Groszald	Username [redacted]@gmail.com	
Case Information			
Court Location DFS MockCMS	Case Type *****	Case Category *****	
Return Date			
Return Date 06/24/2022			
Parties			
Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney	
Defendant	Peter Pan	Jerry Jones	
Plaintiff	Molly Jones	Abby Carmichael	
Filings			
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Case Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment			▼
Service Contacts			
Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts	
Defendant	Peter Pan	+ - ▼	
Plaintiff	Molly Jones	+ - ▼	
Other Service Contacts		+ - ▼	
Fees			
Payment Method Fee CC 01.04	Party responsible Peter Pan	Filing attorney	
Filer Type Default	Transaction Reference	Transaction Amount	Transaction ID
Order ID 000187678-0		\$8.00	158939
Filing Fee			\$5.00
Abstract Of Judgment			
Service Fees			
Convenience Fee			\$1.00
Total Filing & Service Fees			\$1.00
Total Court Service Fees			\$1.00
Grand Total			\$8.00

[Schedule Hearing](#)
[Close](#)

Figure 9.79 – Example of an Envelope Details Page

4. Click Schedule Hearing.


The *Schedule Hearing* page is displayed.

Schedule Hearing for Envelope #185887

Select	Date	Start	End
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	8:00 AM	9:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	11:00 AM	12:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	1:00 PM	2:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	2:00 PM	3:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	3:00 PM	4:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/06/2022	4:00 PM	5:00 PM
<input type="radio"/>	05/07/2022	8:00 AM	9:00 AM

Previous **1** 2 3 4 5 Next 45 Result(s) Page 1 of 5

Figure 9.80 – Example of a Schedule Hearing Page

5. Select the hearing date and time that you want from the options listed, and then click .

A confirmation message is displayed, and then the *Dashboard* page is displayed.

Note: You can view the scheduled hearing date in the envelope details.

10 Auto Generated Documents

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Collecting Additional Data on the Case Information Page
- ◆ Entering Service of Process Information on the Parties Page
- ◆ Entering Filing Details for Service of Process Cases
- ◆ Entering Payment Information
- ◆ Viewing the Envelope Summary for Service of Process Cases
- ◆ Viewing the Envelope Details for Service of Process Cases

File & Serve automatically generates some case-related documents based on configuration. When auto generation of documents is configured, you can enter additional data for an initial filing on the *Case Information* page. Also, you can select Service of Process options on the *Parties* page.

Note: The Auto Generated Documents feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: The Auto Generated Documents feature is generally used when the case category is for a civil or family case.

After you complete the additional fields on the *Case Information* page, and complete all of the required fields for your filing, documents containing the additional information are generated. You can view the completed documents on the *Summary* page and in the envelope details.

Collecting Additional Data on the Case Information Page

When the Civil Domestic Information feature is configured, you can enter additional data for an initial filing on the *Case Information* page.

Note: The Civil Domestic Information feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system. In addition, some of the fields described in this section may not be displayed on your system.

Note: The Civil Domestic Information feature is used when the case category is for a civil or family case.

Case Information

Court location*
 x ▼

This is the court where you are filing your case.
https://www.collincountytx.gov/district_courts/Pages/default.aspx

Case category*
 x ▼

This is the type of case you are filing (Family, Probate, or Civil).

Case type*
 x ▼

If you can't find your case type, change the case category to see other case types.

Damage Amount
 Damage Amount

Procedure/Remedies
 Select all that apply

Civil Domestic Information

If the action is related to another action(s) pending or previously pending in this court involving some or all the same parties, subject matter, or factual issues, enter the related case numbers:

I hereby certify that the documents in this filing, including attachments and exhibits, satisfy the requirements for redaction of personal or confidential information in OCGA § 9-11-7.1.

Do you or your client need any disability accommodations? If so, please describe the accommodation request.

Figure 10.1 – Civil Domestic Information Section on the Case Information Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To collect additional data on the *Case Information* page:

1. Select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
2. Select the case category from the **Case Category** drop-down list.

Note: The case category that you select must be **Civil or Family**.
3. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
4. In the **Damage Amount** section, if applicable, select the damages amount from the **Damage Amount** drop-down list.
5. In the **Procedure/Remedies** section, select the appropriate procedures or remedies from the drop-down list.
6. In the **Civil Domestic Information** section, enter any related case numbers in the **Related case** field.
7. Enter additional related case numbers in the **Additional related case** field.
8. Select each check box that is applicable.

9. If there is a disability accommodation to note, describe the accommodation in the **Accommodation request** field.

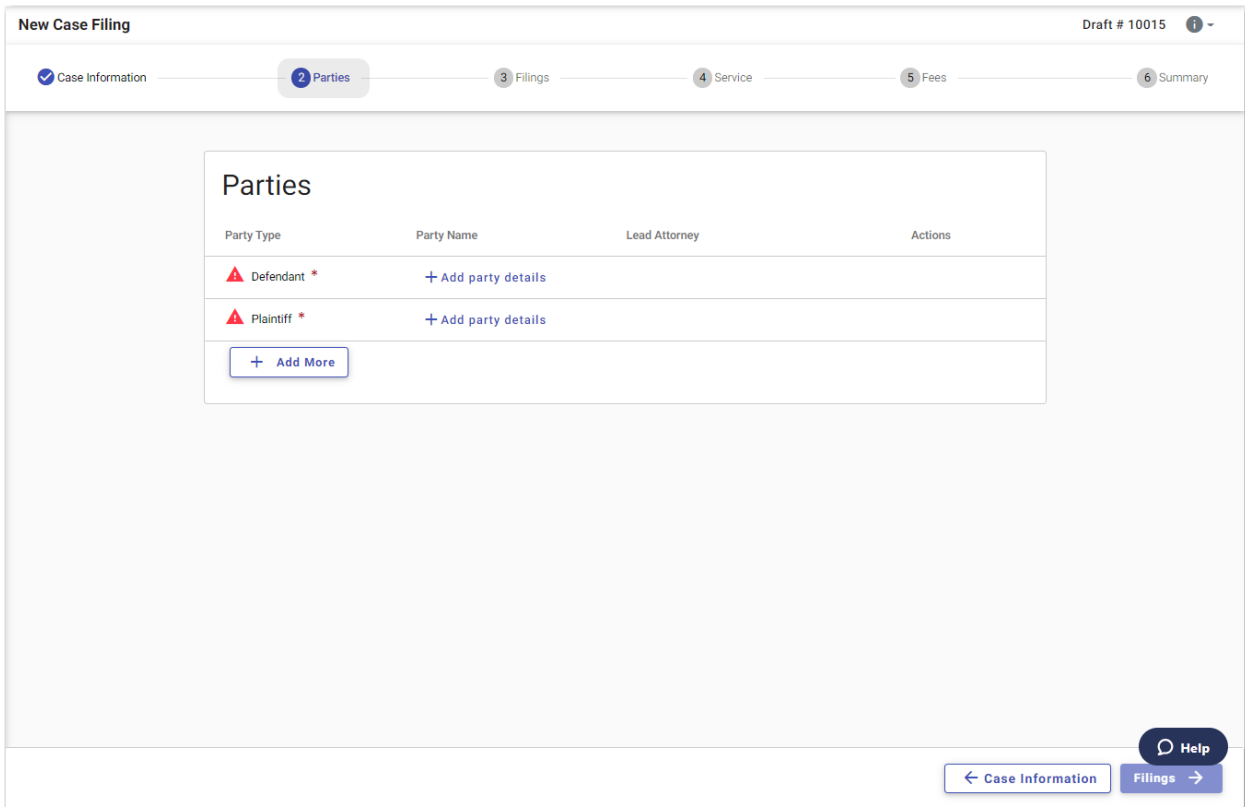
10. Click  to save your work and continue.

Entering Service of Process Information on the Parties Page

After you have collected additional information on the *Case Information* page, you must enter the Service of Process information on the *Parties* page.

Note: The Service of Process feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: The Service of Process feature is used when the case category is for a civil or family case.



New Case Filing Draft # 10015 ⓘ

Case Information 2 Parties 3 Filings 4 Service 5 Fees 6 Summary

Parties

Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney	Actions
⚠ Defendant *	+ Add party details		
⚠ Plaintiff *	+ Add party details		

+ Add More

< Case Information
Help ⓘ
Filings >

Figure 10.2 – Example of a Parties Page

To enter Service of Process information on the *Parties* page:


1. On the *Parties* page, select the party type that you want to begin to describe, and then click



The *Edit Party Details* window for the specified party is displayed.


2. Click either  or .

Note: The following steps describe the fields that are displayed if you select “Person.”

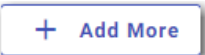
3. If you are the first party, select **I Am This Party**.
4. In the Party Information pane, complete the **First Name**, **Middle Name** (if applicable), and **Last Name** fields. Also, if appropriate, select the party’s suffix from the **Suffix** drop-down list.
5. Type the party’s date of birth in the **Date of Birth** field, or click  to select the date from the calendar.
6. Type the party case management system identification (ID) in the **Party CMS ID** field, if appropriate.
7. Select a language from the **Interpreter** drop-down list, if appropriate.
8. Select the type of driver’s license from the **Drivers License Type** drop-down list.
9. Select the state where the driver’s license was issued from the **Drivers License State** drop-down list.
10. Type the party’s driver’s license number in the **Drivers License Number** field.
11. Type the party’s Social Security number in the **Social Security Number** field.


Note: After you type the Social Security number, asterisks are displayed to hide the number.

12. Select the party’s gender from the **Gender** drop-down list.
13. If available, select an option from the **Service of Process** drop-down list.
14. In the Contact Information pane, enter the country, address, city, state, ZIP code, and phone number for the specified party.
15. In the Attorney Information pane, from the **Lead Attorney** drop-down list, select **Pro Se** for the filing attorney.

16. After all of the required fields for the specified party are completed, click .

17. On the *Parties* page, complete the party information for the next party.

18. If you have another party to add to the case, click , and complete the party information for the additional party. Continue to add parties until all of the parties have been added to the case.

19. Click  to save your work and continue.

Entering Filing Details for Service of Process Cases

You can enter the filing details on the *Filings* page. When you have entered additional information on the *Case Information* page, the auto-generated documents associated with your filing are displayed in the Auto Generated Filings pane on the *Filings* page.

Note: The Auto Generated Documents feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

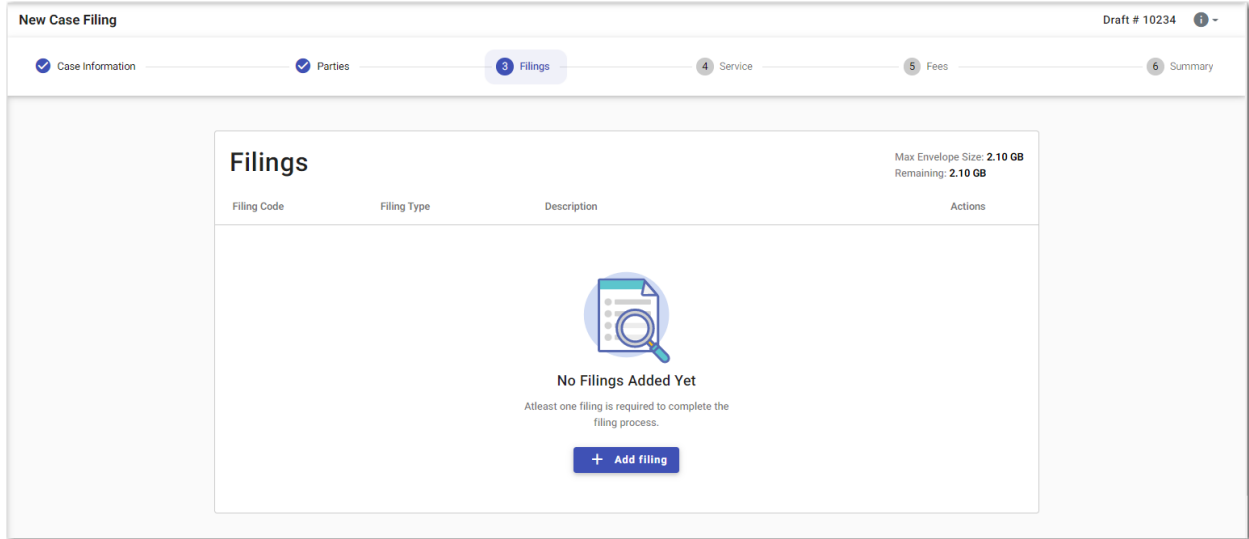


Figure 10.3 – Filings Page

Auto Generated Filings		
The following filings and documents were automatically generated.		
Filing Code	Filing Description	Document Name
⚡ Action - Initial Only	Case Information	Civil Domestic Filing Form1.pdf
⚡ Abstract Of Judgment	Sheriff's Entry of Service for James Doe	SheriffsEntryOfService for James Doe.pdf
⚡ Petition (Open Case)	Summons for James Doe	SUMMONS for James Doe.pdf

Figure 10.4 – Example of an Auto Generated Filings Pane

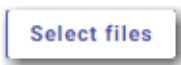
Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the filing details:

1. On the *Filings* page, click  .
The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

Figure 10.5 – Edit Filing Details Page

2. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
3. In the Filing Information pane, select the filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.
4. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.
5. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
6. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.
7. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.



8. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

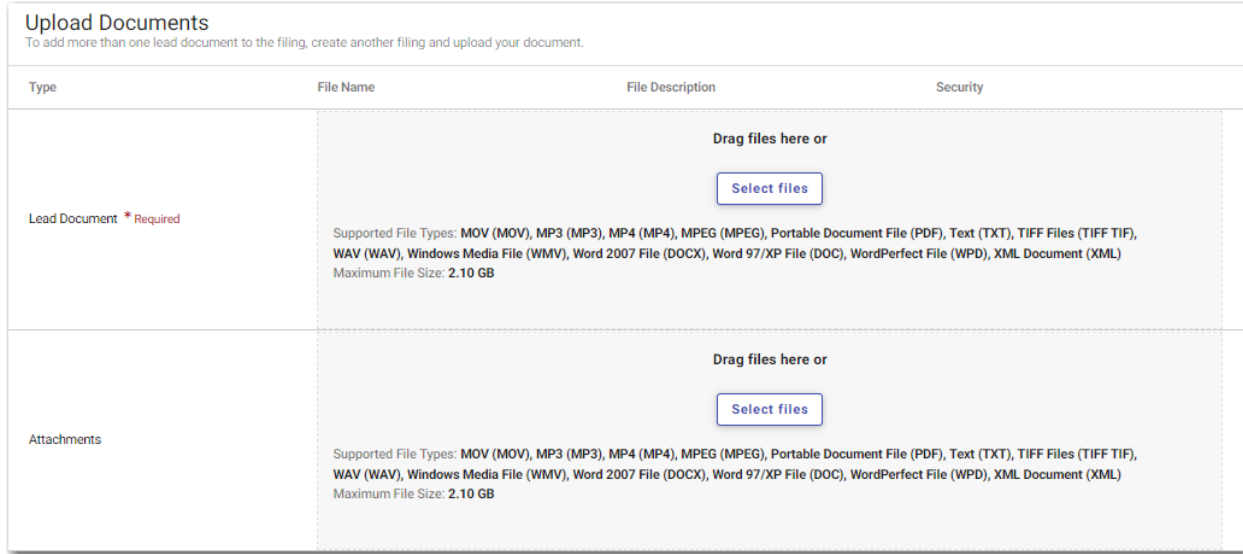
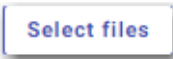


Figure 10.6 – Upload Documents Pane

9. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
10. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
11. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

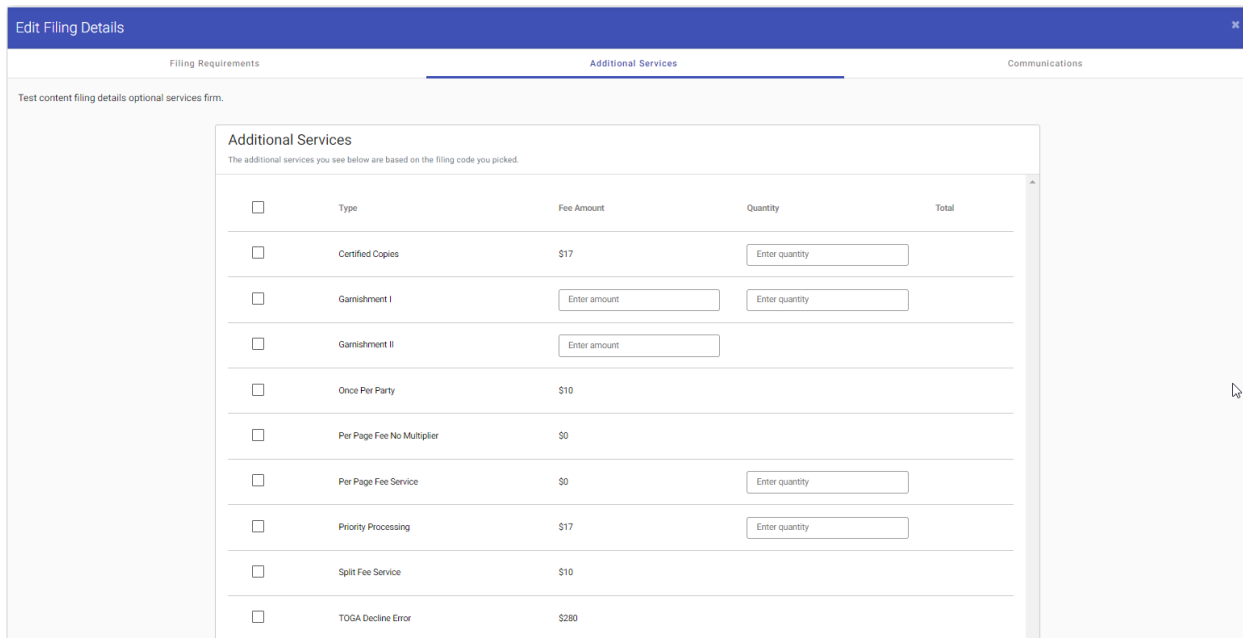


Figure 10.7 – Additional Services Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

12. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

13. Click **Go to Communication**, or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

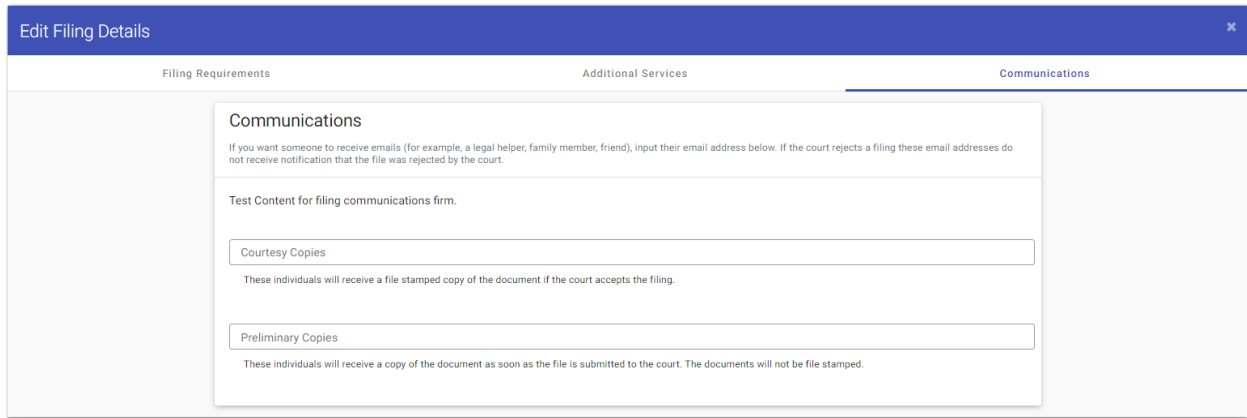


Figure 10.8 – Communications Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

14. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

15. Click **Save**.

16. If you want to add another filing, on the *Filings* page, click **+ Add More**. Then, repeat the same steps for the next filing.

17. After you have added all of the filings, click **Service →**.

Entering Payment Information

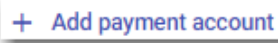
You can create a payment account before you begin your filing. You can also create a payment account during your filing from the *Fees* page.

Figure 10.9 – Example of a Fees Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the payment information for your filing:

1. Select the payment account from the **Payment Account** drop-down list.

If you do not have an existing payment account, click . Additional fields are displayed. Then, follow the steps to create a new payment account.

Refer to the following topics for details on creating the various types of payment accounts:

- [Adding a Credit Card Payment Account, page 37](#)
- [Adding an E-Check Payment Account, page 41](#)
- [Adding a Draw-Down Account, page 45](#)

2. Select the party responsible for fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list.

Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the **Party Responsible for Fees** field.

3. Select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

4. In the Fee Breakdown pane, click .

The fees for the filing are displayed.

Category	Item	Amount
Case Initiation Fee	Other Civil	\$5.00
Filing Fee	Abstract Of Judgment	\$5.00
Filing Fee	Action - Initial Only	\$5.00
Filing Fee	Abstract Of Judgment	\$5.00
Service Fees	Total Service Fees	\$1.00
	Convenience Fee	\$1.00
	Total Court Service Fees	\$1.00
Grand Total		\$23.00

Figure 10.10 – Example of a Fees Page with the Filing Fees Displayed

If you selected mail service for your filing, the mail service fees are displayed on the *Fees* page.

Note: The Mail Service feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Summary →

5. Review the filing fees, and then click

Viewing the Envelope Summary for Service of Process Cases

The envelope summary provides a summary of case information, such as the location of the filing, the parties involved in the case, filing details, the auto-generated filings for the case, fees, and payments for the case.

Note: The Service of Process feature and the Auto Generated Documents feature are configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

The party, filings, and fees information must be complete before you can view the envelope summary.

To view the envelope summary:

1. Complete the required information on the *Case Information* page, the *Parties* page, the *Filings* page, and the *Fees* page.

Summary →

2. After you have completed the fields in each section, from the *Fees* page, click

The *Summary* page is displayed.

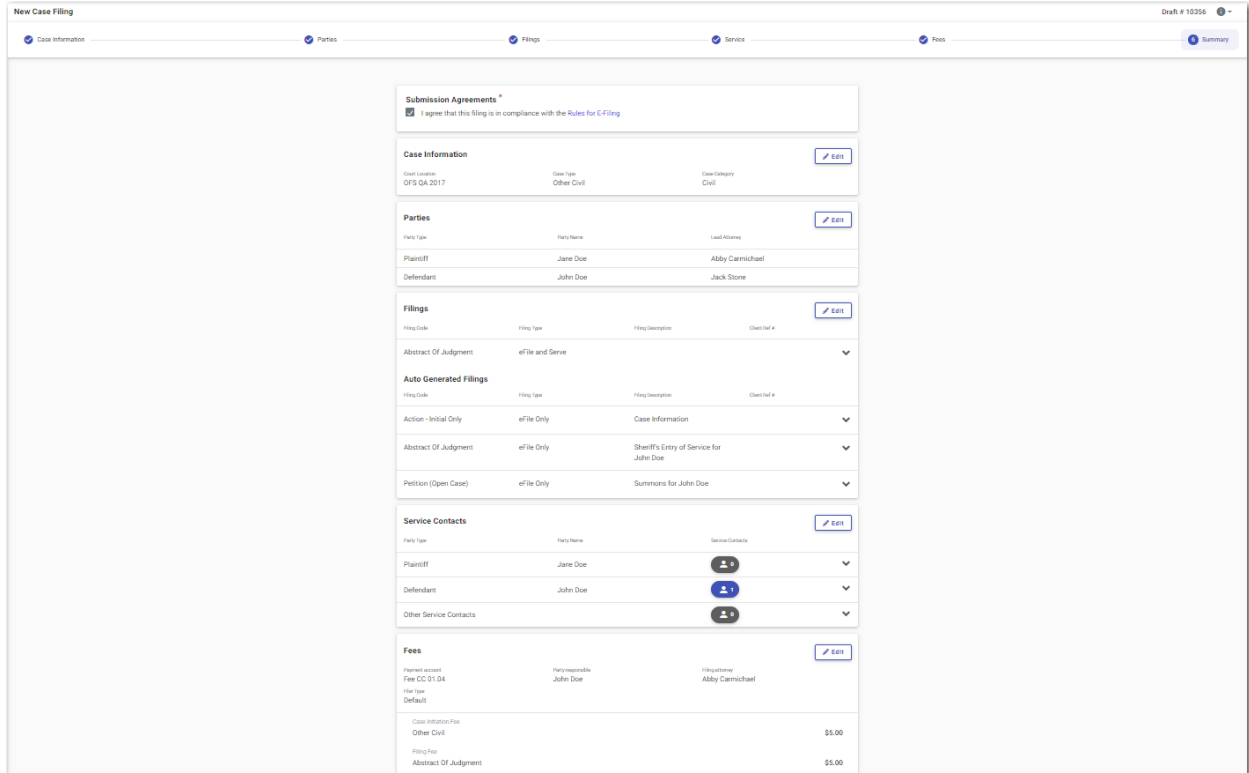
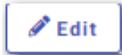


Figure 10.11 – Example of a Summary Page

3. If there are submission agreements for your filing, select the appropriate check boxes for the submission agreements.
4. Review the summary of the case filing. If you want to change any information on the page, click



in the pane in which you want to change the information.

5. After you are satisfied with the information in your filing, click



The *Envelope Submitted* window is displayed.

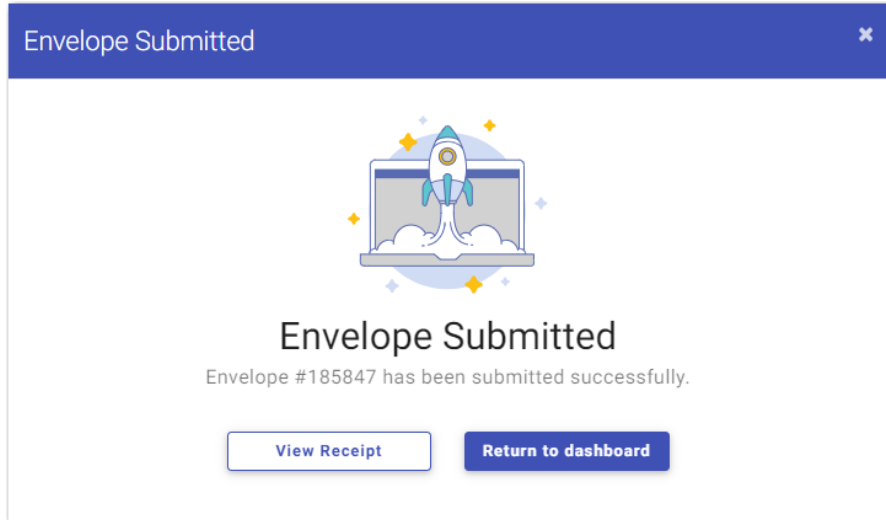


Figure 10.12 – Envelope Submitted Window

6. In the *Envelope Submitted* window, do one of the following:

- Click **View Receipt**. The *Printable Envelope Details* page is displayed in a separate tab. View the envelope details, and then close the tab.
- Click **Return to dashboard** to return to the *Dashboard* page.
- Click **x** to close the *Envelope Submitted* window. The *Dashboard* page is displayed.

Viewing the Envelope Details for Service of Process Cases

You can view the details of an envelope on the *Filing History* page.

Note: This feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To view the envelope details:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Filing History' page with a sidebar on the left for filtering and a main content area with a list of cases. The sidebar includes sections for Status, Location, Case/Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main content area shows four cases, each with a header, a table of filing details, and a set of action icons.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 10.13 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the specified case for which you want to view the envelope details.

3. Click  .

The envelope details are displayed.

Envelope Details
Print x

Envelope			
Envelope ID 187789	Submitted by Lauren Groswald	Username [redacted]@gmail.com	
Case Information			
Court Location OFS QA 2017	Case Type Other Civil	Case Category Civil	
Parties			
Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney	
Defendant	Sherry Doe	Perry Mason	
Plaintiff	John Doe	Jack Stone	
Filings			
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Case Ref #
	Action - Initial Only		▼
	Abstract Of Judgment		▼
	Petition (Open Case)		▼
	Abstract Of Judgment		▼
Service Contacts			
Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts	
Defendant	Sherry Doe	[User Icon] ▼	
Plaintiff	John Doe	[User Icon] ▼	
Other Service Contacts		[User Icon] ▼	
Fees			
Payment account Firms New CC 11202020	Party responsible Sherry Doe	Filing attorney	
File Type Default	Transaction Response	Transaction Amount	Transaction ID
Order ID 000187789-0		\$23.00	159057
Total Court Case Fees Other Civil			\$5.00

Support

Figure 10.14 – Example of an Envelope Details Page

- Click Print to print a copy of the envelope details.

11 Redaction Feature

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Entering a Filing with Redacted Documents
- ◆ Deleting a Redaction
- ◆ Working with an Existing Redaction
- ◆ Redaction Editor Toolbar

File & Serve supports the Redaction feature. Redaction refers to the removal or obscuring of sensitive information, such as Social Security numbers. Filers can redact a document, view the redacted document, and then make modifications, if necessary, before uploading the redacted document to the case management system.

Note: The Redaction feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: You can perform redactions by using the Redaction Editor (which is displayed as the *Tyler Content Manager* window). This window opens in a separate tab in your browser. You must enable pop-ups in your browser settings to view the Redaction Editor and to perform redactions. The icons that are visible in the Redaction Editor may differ slightly from the screen shots shown in this document.

Depending on your configuration, a transactional redaction fee may be applied to each document in your envelope. If a fee is applied, the amount is displayed on the *Filings* page, on the *Fees* page, on the *Summary* page, and in the envelope details.

The following data is automatically redacted from documents:

- Social Security numbers
- Tax ID numbers (EINs)
- Passport numbers
- Credit card numbers
- Driver's license numbers
- Account numbers
- Government ID numbers
- Names of minors listed as parties on the case
- Dates of birth of minors
- Addresses of minors listed on the case

Entering a Filing with Redacted Documents

You can enter a filing in which you upload a lead document (and attachments, if applicable) and then redact the documents that you uploaded.

Note: The Redaction feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: Your court may charge a transactional redaction fee for each document that you redact.

To enter a filing with redacted documents:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click  .

The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

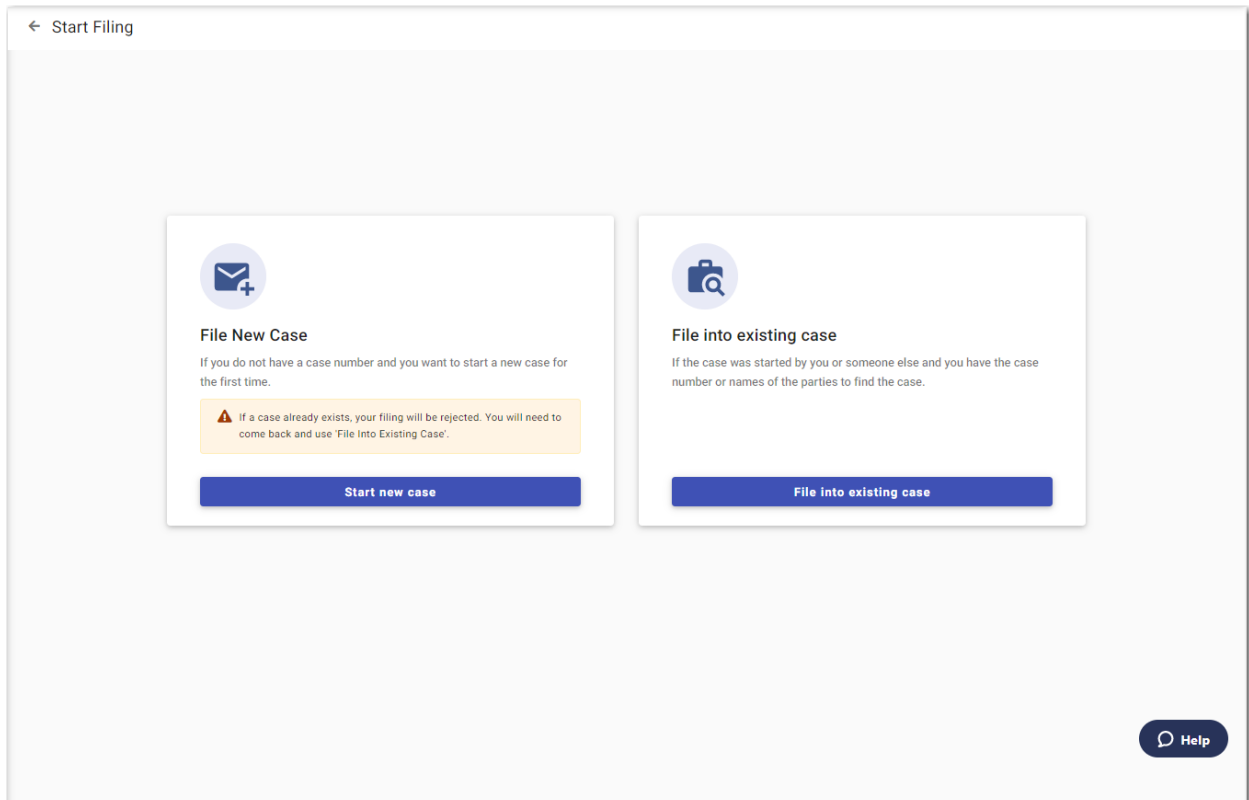
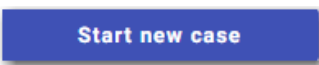



Figure 11.1 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .


The *Case Information* page is displayed.

3. Complete the required fields on the *Case Information* page, and then click  .

The *Parties* page is displayed.

4. Complete the required fields on the *Parties* page, and then click  .

The *Filings* page is displayed.

5. On the *Filings* page, complete the required fields. Upload a lead document and attachments, if applicable. Click .

Note: When your document has successfully been redacted, a green message is displayed, indicating that the redaction was completed. The message also indicates how many redactions were performed.

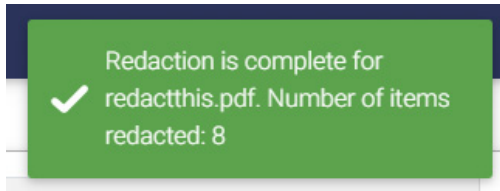

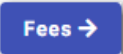
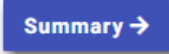



Figure 11.2 – Example of a Message for a Completed Redaction

6. After you have completed all of the required fields on the *Filings* page and uploaded the applicable documents, click . The *Service* page is displayed.

7. Complete the required fields on the *Service* page, and then click . The *Fees* page is displayed.

8. Complete the required fields on the *Fees* page, and then click . The *Summary* page is displayed.

9. Review the envelope summary. If you want to edit the redacted document, click . The Redaction Editor opens in a new tab in your browser.

Note: If the redaction of your document is not complete, an amber message is displayed, indicating that you cannot yet complete your filing. You must wait until the redaction is complete, and then a green message is displayed, informing you of the completion.

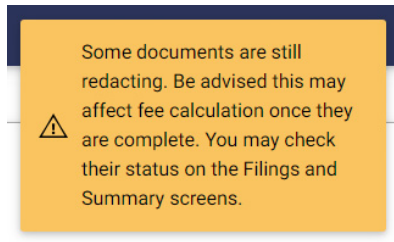





Figure 11.3 – Example of a Message with Redaction in Progress

10. Perform the necessary edits in the Redaction Editor, and then click  to save your changes, or click  to save your changes and close the viewer.

11. When you are done reviewing the envelope summary and have selected the check boxes for the submission agreements (if applicable), click .

Note: After submission, you can view the redaction fees on the *Envelope Details* page.

Deleting a Redaction

After you mark a section to be redacted and before you close the Redaction Editor, you can delete the specified redaction.

Note: The Redaction feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: You must enable pop-ups in your browser settings to view the Redaction Editor.

To delete a redaction in a document before you have closed the Redaction Editor:

1. Right-click the specified redaction.

The *Annotation Notes* dialog box is displayed.

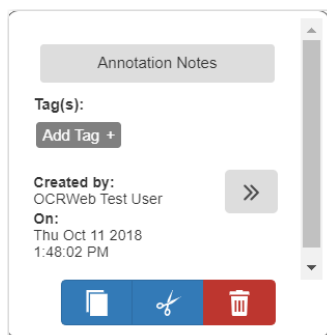


Figure 11.4 – Annotation Notes Dialog Box

Note: On the *Annotation Notes* dialog box, you can annotate the redaction, copy the redaction, or cut the redaction and paste it in another part of the document. You can also view a detailed

history of the redactions that were performed in the document. Click  to view the detailed history.

- Click  to delete the redaction.

The *Delete Annotation* dialog box is displayed.

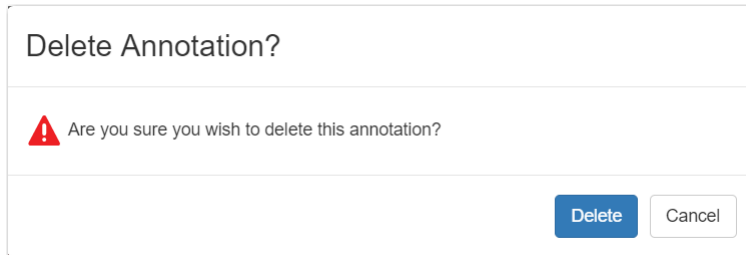


Figure 11.5 – Delete Annotation? Dialog Box

- Click  to delete the specified redaction.




Working with an Existing Redaction

You can resize or move an existing redaction in the Redaction Editor.

Note: The Redaction feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

Note: You must enable pop-ups in your browser settings to view the Redaction Editor.

To work with an existing redaction:

















- Turn off the manual redaction capability by clicking .
- Locate the existing redaction that you want to resize or move, and then click the block of text.
- Resize the redaction, or move the redaction to another location in the document.
- When you are done, click  to save your changes, or click  to save your changes and close the viewer.






Redaction Editor Toolbar

You can use icons to navigate in the Redaction Editor.

Note: The icons that are visible in the Redaction Editor may differ slightly from the screen shots contained in this document.

The following table describes the icons in the Redaction Editor.

Icon	Description
	Click this icon to begin performing a redaction.
	Click this icon to stop performing a redaction.
	Click this icon to save the document.
	Click this icon to save and close the document.
	Click this icon to close the Tyler Content Manager (TCM) viewer.
	Click this icon to zoom in to a particular place in the document.
	Click this icon to zoom out.
	Click this icon to draw a border around an area of the document in which you want to zoom.
	Click this icon to magnify an area of the document.
	Click this icon to fit the document to the window.
	Click this icon to fit the document to the height of the window.
	Click this icon to fit the document to the width of the window.
	Click this icon to view the first page of the document.
	Click this icon to view the previous page of the document.
	Use this window to view the current page of the document and the length of the document.
	Click this icon to view the next page of the document.

Icon	Description
	Click this icon to view the last page of the document.
	Click this icon to rotate the document to the right.
	Click this icon to rotate the document to the left.
	Click this icon to download the document. Note: You will be prompted to save the document before you download it.
	Click this icon to display the thumbnail pane, where you can then navigate through the pages of the document. Note: Click the icon again to close the thumbnail pane.

When the thumbnail pane is displayed, additional document options become available.

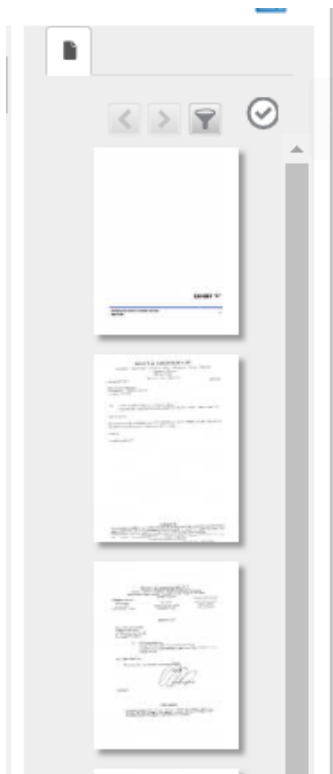






Figure 11.6 – Example of a Thumbnail Pane

The following table describes the icons in the thumbnail pane.

Icon	Description
	Click this icon in the thumbnail pane to view the pages of the document in the Redaction Editor.
	Click this icon in the thumbnail pane to display the previous annotation page.
	Click this icon in the thumbnail pane to display the next annotation page.
	Click this icon in the thumbnail pane to view only the pages that have a redaction on them.

12 File into an Existing Case

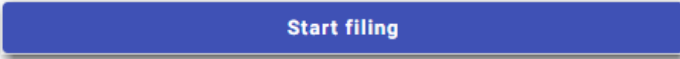
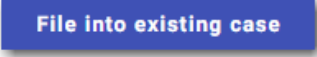
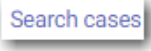
Topics covered in this chapter


- ◆ Filing into an Existing Case from the Dashboard Page
- ◆ Filing into an Existing Case from the Filing History Page
- ◆ Filing into a Non-Indexed Case
- ◆ Creating a Service Only Filing


Once a court has created a new case, you can file into the existing case.

There are various ways to file into an existing case, as follows:

- On the *Dashboard* page, select one of the following methods to access the *File into Existing Case* window:

- Click . On the *Start Filing* page that is displayed, click .
- Click .

When the *File into Existing Case* window is displayed, enter the search criteria for the case that you want to file into. Then, click  or press ENTER.

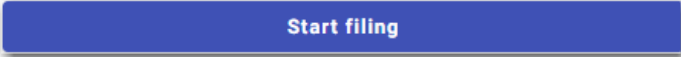
- On the *Filing History* page, locate the case that you want to file into, and then click .

Filing into an Existing Case from the Dashboard Page

You can file into an existing case from the *Dashboard* page by using any one of several methods.

To file into an existing case from the *Dashboard* page:


1. From the *Dashboard* page, select one of the following methods to begin:

- Click . On the *Start Filing* page that is displayed, click .
- Click .

The *File into Existing Case* window is displayed.

Figure 12.1 – Example of a File into Existing Case Window

Note: Your system may be configured to search only by case number. With this optional configuration, the Party Name option is not displayed.

2. Type the search criteria in the window, and then click  or press ENTER.

Note: You can search by case number or party name. You must know the location of the existing case to complete your search.

The case that matches your search criteria is displayed.

Figure 12.2 – Case Search Results

3. Click  to file into the case.

The *Case Information* page of the specified case is displayed.


4. Verify the information on the *Case Information* page. Make any changes, if applicable. Then, click



The *Parties* page is displayed.

5. Add additional parties to the case if you want.

Note: The ability to add a new party to an existing case is configured by Tyler. If your system is configured with this capability,  is displayed on the *Parties* page.

6. Click .

The *Filings* page is displayed.

7. On the *Filings* page, click .

The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

8. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.

9. Select the filing type from the **Filing Type** drop-down list.


10. In the Filing Information pane, select the filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.

11. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.

12. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.

13. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.

14. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.

15. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

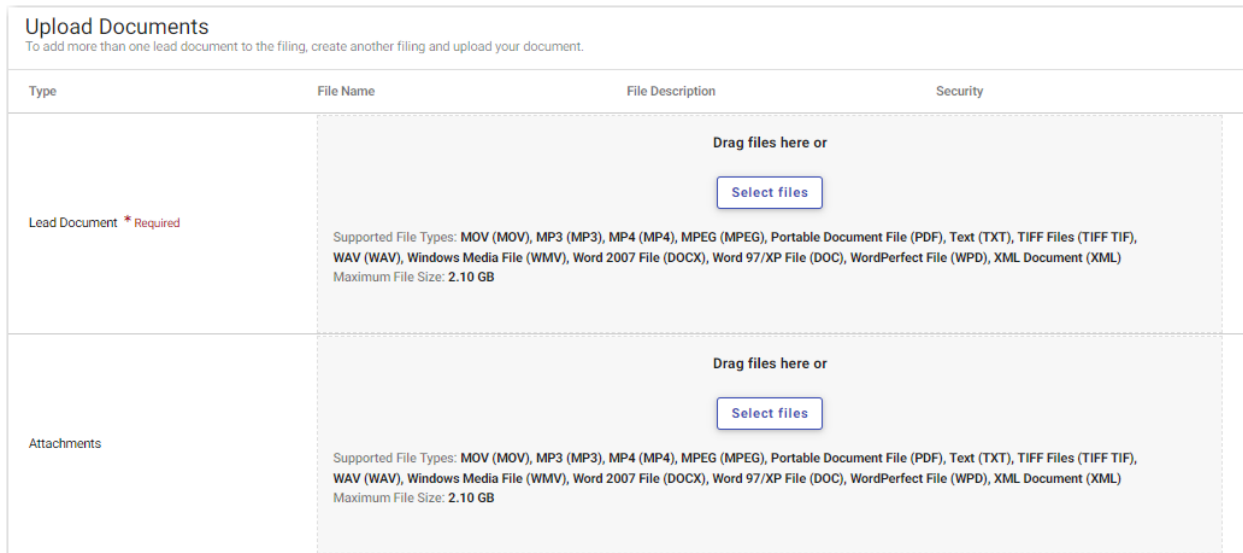
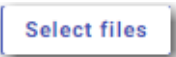


Figure 12.3 – Upload Documents Pane

16. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.

17. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
18. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.


19. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

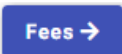
20. Click  , or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

21. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

22. Click  .

23. After you have added all of the filings, click  .

24. On the *Service* page, add service contacts if applicable. Then, click  .

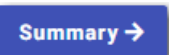
25. On the *Fees* page, select the payment account from the **Payment Account** drop-down list, or follow the steps to create a new payment account.

26. Select the party responsible for fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list.


Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the Party Responsible for Fees field.

27. Select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

28. Click  if you want to view the fee total.

29. Click  .

30. Review the summary. If applicable, select the **Submission Agreements** check box.

31. When you are satisfied with your filing, click  .

Filing into an Existing Case from the Filing History Page

Once a new case has been created by the courts, you can file into the existing case.

To file into an existing case from the *Filing History* page:

1. On the *Filing History* page, click  .

The screenshot displays the 'Filing History' page. On the left is a sidebar with filters for Status, Location, Case/Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main area shows a list of cases:

- Case # CC-20-1475**: Julia Reedv.Sam Muir. Envelope # 179288 Submitted 02/24/2022 10:14 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Served, Submitted. Filing Code: Service Only, Mandate. Filing Type: Service Only, eFile Only.
- Case # CC-22-684**: Pro Se Filerv.James Weir. Envelope # 179280 Submitted 02/24/2022 8:26 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted. Filing Code: Action - Initial Only. Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-4204**: Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates. Envelope # 175475 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:23 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted. Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only. Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-3714**: Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall. Envelope # 175474 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:17 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Submitted. Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only. Filing Type: eFile and Serve.
- Envelope # 175472**: Envelope # 175472 Submitted 01/24/2022 11:32 AM by Pro Se Filer.

Figure 12.4 – Example of a Filing History Page

The *Case Information* page of the specified case is displayed.


2. Click  .

The *Parties* page is displayed.

3. Verify the party information. You can add another party to the filing if you want.

4. Click  to continue with your filing.

The *Filings* page is displayed.

5. On the *Filings* page, click  .

The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

6. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
7. Select the filing type from the **Filing Type** drop-down list.
8. In the Filing Information pane, select the filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.
9. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.
10. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
11. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.

12. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.



13. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

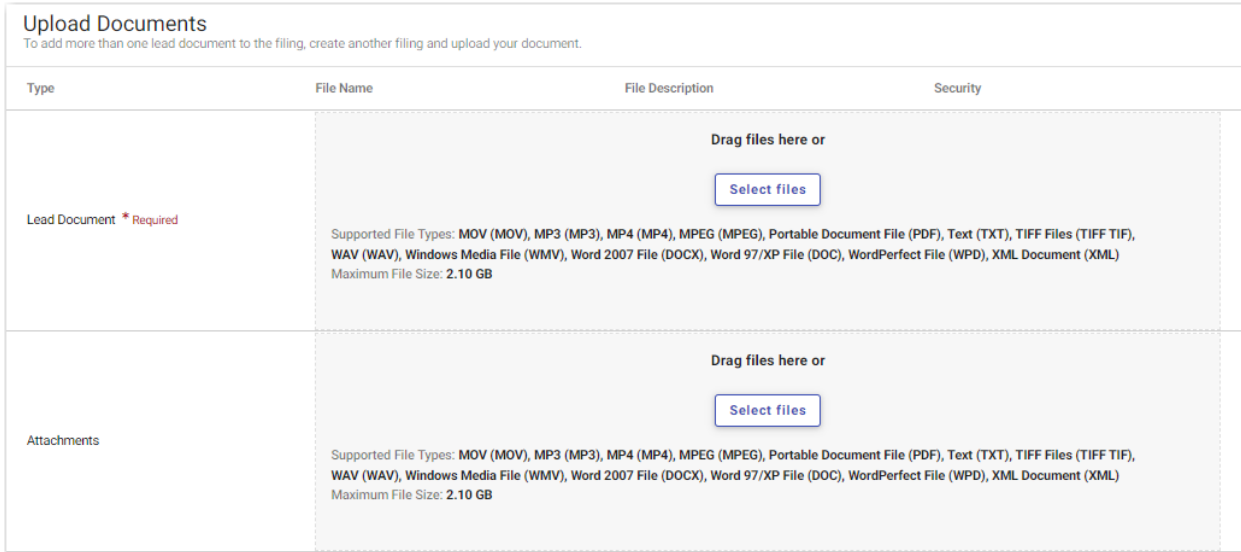


Figure 12.5 – Upload Documents Pane

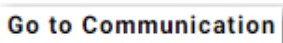
14. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.

15. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.

16. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

17. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.



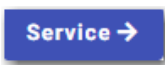
18. Click , or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

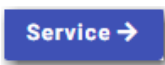
The Communications pane is displayed.

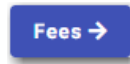
19. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.



20. Click .



21. After you have added all of the filings, click .




22. On the *Service* page, add service contacts, if applicable. Then, click .

23. On the *Fees* page, select the payment account from the **Payment Account** drop-down list, or follow the steps to create a new payment account.
24. Select the party responsible for fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list.


Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the Party Responsible for Fees field.

25. Select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

26. Click  if you want to view the fee total.

27. Click .

28. Review the summary. If applicable, select the **Submission Agreements** check box.

29. When you are satisfied with your filing, click .

Filing into a Non-Indexed Case

You can file into a case that does not exist in the case management system.

To file into a non-indexed case:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Case Search**.

The *File into Existing Case* window is displayed.

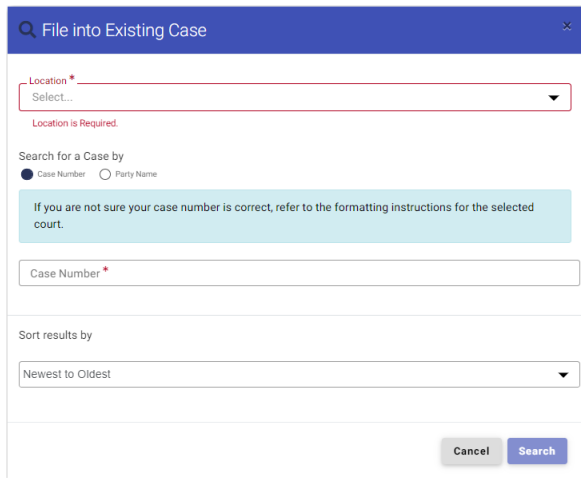


Figure 12.6 – Example of a File into Existing Case Window

Note: Your system may be configured to search only by case number. With this optional configuration, the Party Name option is not displayed.

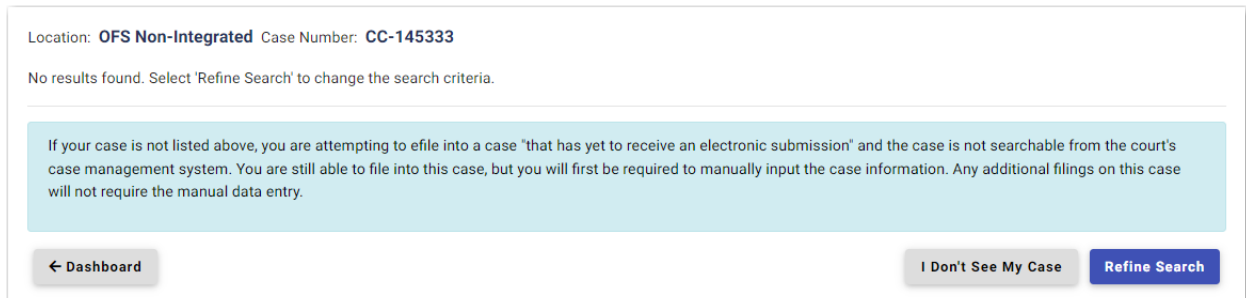
2. Select the location from the **Location** drop-down list.

Note: The location you select must be a non-integrated or non-indexed node.

3. Select the **Case Number** option (which may be the only option that is displayed), and then type the case number in the **Case Number** field.

4. Click  or press ENTER.

A message is displayed, stating that the case number you entered could not be found.



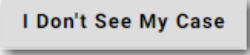
Location: **OFS Non-Integrated** Case Number: **CC-145333**

No results found. Select 'Refine Search' to change the search criteria.

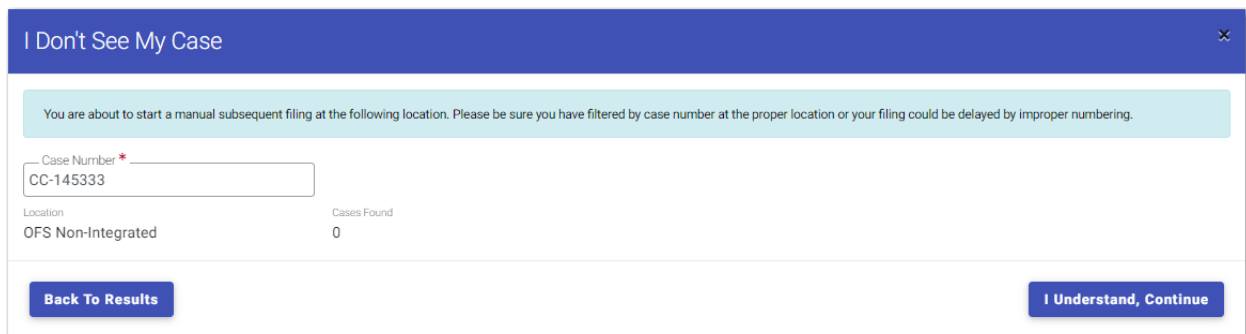
If your case is not listed above, you are attempting to efile into a case "that has yet to receive an electronic submission" and the case is not searchable from the court's case management system. You are still able to file into this case, but you will first be required to manually input the case information. Any additional filings on this case will not require the manual data entry.

[← Dashboard](#) [I Don't See My Case](#) [Refine Search](#)

Figure 12.7 – Case Search Window with No Results Found

5. To continue, click .

The *I Don't See My Case* window is displayed.



I Don't See My Case

You are about to start a manual subsequent filing at the following location. Please be sure you have filtered by case number at the proper location or your filing could be delayed by improper numbering.

Case Number *
CC-145333

Location
OFS Non-Integrated

Cases Found
0

[Back To Results](#) [I Understand, Continue](#)

Figure 12.8 – I Don't See My Case Window

6. Click  to continue filing into the case.

The *Case Information* page is displayed. The location and case number are auto-filled on the page.

New Case Filing Draft # 10189 - Case # CC-145333

1 Case Information 2 Parties 3 Filings 4 Service 5 Fees 6 Summary

Case Information

Case Number*
CC-145333

Court location*
OFS Non-Integrated x

This is the court where you are filing your case.

Case category*
Select...

This is the type of case you are filing (Family, Probate, or Civil).

Case type*
Select...

If you can't find your case type, change the case category to see other case types.

Help

Parties →

Figure 12.9 – Case Information Page

7. Select the case category from the **Case Category** drop-down list.
8. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
9. Select the case subtype, if applicable, from the **Case Sub Type** drop-down list.
10. Click **Parties →** to save your work and continue.
11. Continue entering case information on the following pages until you reach the *Summary* page.
12. Review your filing. When you are satisfied with the information you have entered, click **Submit**.

Creating a Service Only Filing

To create a Service Only filing:

1. Select an existing case that you want to file into.
2. Follow one of the methods for filing into an existing case (that is, from the *Filing History* page, from the *Case Search* page, or from the *Dashboard* page).

Note: The *Case Information* page and the *Parties* page are already populated since this is an existing case.

3. On the *Filings* page, click **+ Add filing**.

The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

Figure 12.10 – Example of the Edit Filing Details Page—Service Only Filing

4. In the Filing Type pane, select **Service Only**.
5. In the Filing Information pane, enter information, if applicable.


Note: The **Service Only** filing code is selected by default.


6. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”


Type	File Name	File Description	Security
Lead Document * Required	<p>Drag files here or</p> <p>Select files</p> <p>Supported File Types: MOV (MOV), MP3 (MP3), MP4 (MP4), MPEG (MPEG), Portable Document File (PDF), Text (TXT), TIFF Files (TIFF TIF), WAV (WAV), Windows Media File (WMV), Word 2007 File (DOCX), Word 97/XP File (DOC), WordPerfect File (WPD), XML Document (XML) Maximum File Size: 2.10 GB</p>		
Attachments	<p>Drag files here or</p> <p>Select files</p> <p>Supported File Types: MOV (MOV), MP3 (MP3), MP4 (MP4), MPEG (MPEG), Portable Document File (PDF), Text (TXT), TIFF Files (TIFF TIF), WAV (WAV), Windows Media File (WMV), Word 2007 File (DOCX), Word 97/XP File (DOC), WordPerfect File (WPD), XML Document (XML) Maximum File Size: 2.10 GB</p>		

Figure 12.11 – Upload Documents Pane

- If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
- If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.

9. Click  to save your entries and to continue.

10. On the *Service* page, add the service contacts that you want to receive a Service Only filing.

11. Click  to save your entries and to continue.

12. Complete the required fields on the *Fees* page, and then click .



13. Select the check boxes for the submission agreements, if applicable.

14. Review the information on the *Summary* page, and then click .

13 Access re:Search®

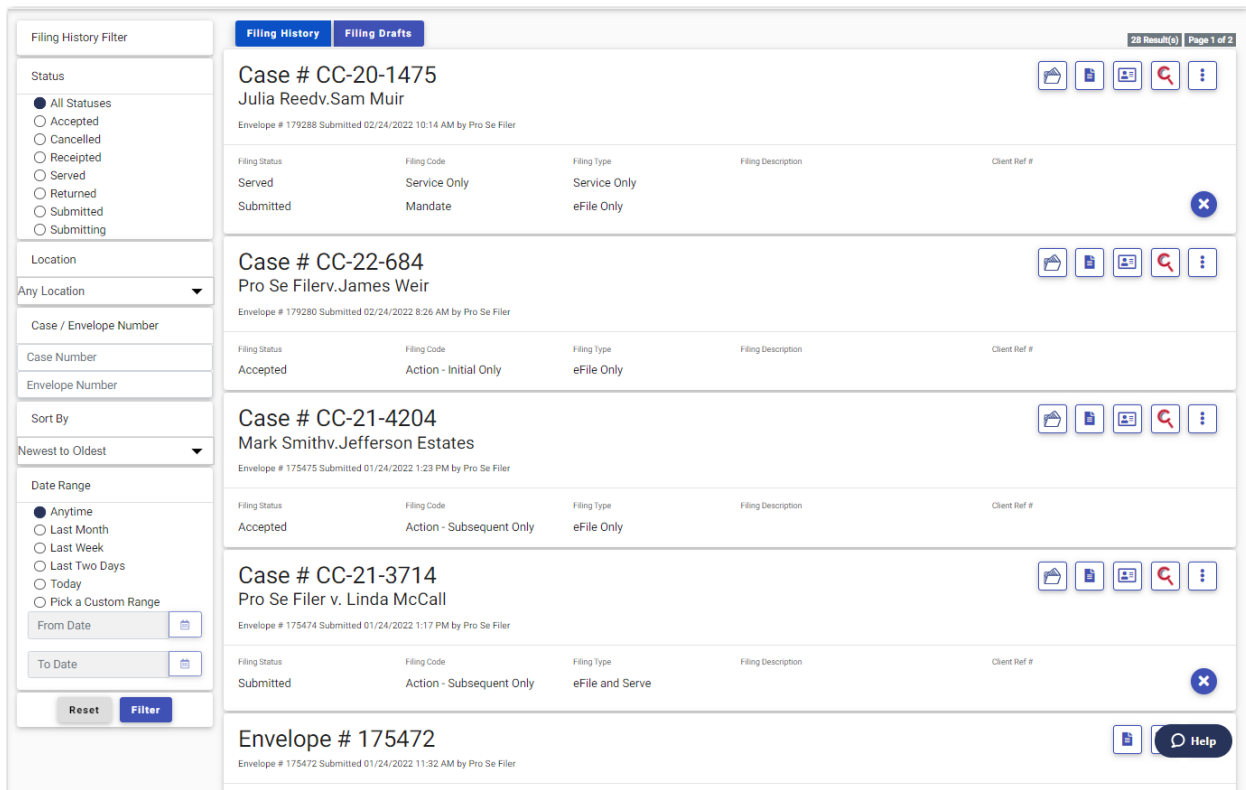
While you are working in File & Serve, you can access re:Search® from several locations in the system.

Note: The ability to access re:Search from File & Serve is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system. You also must have an existing account in re:Search to access it from File & Serve.

A case that is available in re:Search is indicated by an icon (). Click  to access a specified case in re:Search. re:Search opens in a new tab in your browser, and the specified case details are displayed. You can view past and future hearing dates for the case if it is available in re:Search.

You can access re:Search from the following locations in File & Serve:

- *Filing History* page



Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 13.1 – re:Search Icon on the Filing History Page

- *Filing Drafts* page

The screenshot shows the 'Filing Drafts' page. On the left is a filter sidebar with options for Location, Case / Draft Number, Sort By (Newest to Oldest), and Date Range (Anytime, Last Month, Last Week, Last Two Days, Today, Pick a Custom Range). The main area displays a list of drafts:

- Draft # 10165**: Draft # 10165 Started 05/04/2022 11:42 AM by Pro Se Filer
- Case # CC-22-684**: Pro Se Filerv.James Weir. Draft # 10158 Started 05/03/2022 12:06 PM by Pro Se Filer
- Draft # 10148**: Draft # 10148 Started 05/02/2022 8:06 AM by Pro Se Filer
- Draft # 10145**: Draft # 10145 Started 04/29/2022 3:20 PM by Pro Se Filer
- Draft # 10144**: Draft # 10144 Started 04/29/2022 3:20 PM by Pro Se Filer
- Draft # 10126**: Draft # 10126 Started 04/27/2022 2:03 PM by Pro Se Filer
- Draft # 10119**: Draft # 10119 Started 04/27/2022 10:28 AM by Pro Se Filer
- Draft # 10105**: Draft # 10105 Started 04/25/2022 10:52 AM by Pro Se Filer

Each draft entry includes a table with columns: Filing Status, Filing Code, Filing Type, Filing Description, and Client Ref #. For example, Draft # 10145 has a status of 'Draft', code 'Abstract Of Judgment', type 'EfileAndServe', and description 'Abstract Of Judgment'. Each entry also has a 're:Search' icon (magnifying glass) and other action icons.

Figure 13.2 – re:Search Icon on the Filing Drafts Page

- Case Search page

The screenshot shows the 'Case Search' page. At the top, it displays 'Location: OFS QA 2017' and 'Case Number: CC-21-3102'. The main content area shows details for 'Case #CC-21-3102':

- Location: OFS QA 2017 - Court at Law
- Case Category: Civil
- Case Type: City Ordinance Cases

Navigation includes 'Previous 1 Next' and a 'Refine Search' button. A 're:Search' icon is visible in the top right of the case details section.

Figure 13.3 – re:Search Icon on the Case Search Page

- Bookmarks page

The screenshot displays the re:Search interface. On the left, there is a 'Bookmark Filter' section with input fields for 'Case Location', 'Any Location' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Case Number', and 'Case Description'. Below these fields are 'Reset' and 'Filter' buttons. The main area shows a list of six case results. Each result row contains the Case #, Location, Case Description, and a set of four icons: a folder, a person, a magnifying glass (the re:Search icon), and a vertical ellipsis. The results are as follows:

Case #	Location	Case Description
CC-20-1475	OFS QA 2017	Julia Reedv.Sam Muir
CC-21-2477		
CC-21-2479	OFS QA 2017	
CC-21-2499	OFS QA 2017	Henry Ford vs Jane Doe
CC-21-493	OFS QA 2014	Fran Klinv.Henderson and Associates
CV-2021-019900	OFS MockCMS	Henry Doe vs Maria Jones

At the bottom of the results list, there are 'Previous' and 'Next' navigation buttons, with '1' highlighted. A '6 Result(s) Page 1 of 1' indicator is present in the top right and bottom right corners. A 'Help' button is located in the bottom right corner of the interface.

Figure 13.4 – re:Search Icon on the Bookmarks Page

14 Service Contacts

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Adding a New Service Contact
- ◆ Adding Yourself as a Service Contact to a Filing
- ◆ Adding a Service Contact from Your Service Contact List to a Filing
- ◆ Adding a Service Contact from a Public List to a Filing
- ◆ Adding a New Service Contact to a Filing
- ◆ Updating Information for an Existing Service Contact
- ◆ Viewing a List of Cases Attached to a Service Contact
- ◆ Viewing Service Contact History for a Case
- ◆ Updating Information for a Service Contact Attached to a Case
- ◆ Deleting a Service Contact

You can add a service contact to your service contacts list on the *Service Contacts* page. You can also add a service contact while you are entering a case filing.

When you add a service contact on the *Service Contacts* page, you can quickly retrieve that contact at a later time when you are entering a case filing. You can also create a service contact while you are entering a case filing, and then you can save that service contact for use in future filings.

Service contacts from a public list are also available for you to use when you are entering a case filing.

You can view the service contact history for a case from any of the following locations:

- *Filing History* page

The screenshot shows a 'Filing History' page with a sidebar filter and a main content area. The sidebar includes filters for Status (All Statuses, Accepted, Cancelled, etc.), Location (Any Location), Case / Envelope Number, Sort By (Newest to Oldest), and Date Range (Anytime, Last Month, etc.). The main content area displays a list of cases, each with a title, envelope number, and submission details. Below each case title is a table with columns for Filing Status, Filing Code, Filing Type, Filing Description, and Client Ref #.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 14.1 – Example of a Filing History Page

- Case Search page

The screenshot shows a 'Case Search' page for Case #CC-20-1475, titled 'Julia Reedv.Sam Muir'. It displays the location (OFS QA 2017), case category (Civil), and case type (Breach Of Contract). Navigation options include 'Previous', '1', and 'Next'. A 'Dashboard' button is on the left, and a 'Refine Search' button is on the right.

Figure 14.2 – Example of a Case Search Page

- Bookmarks page

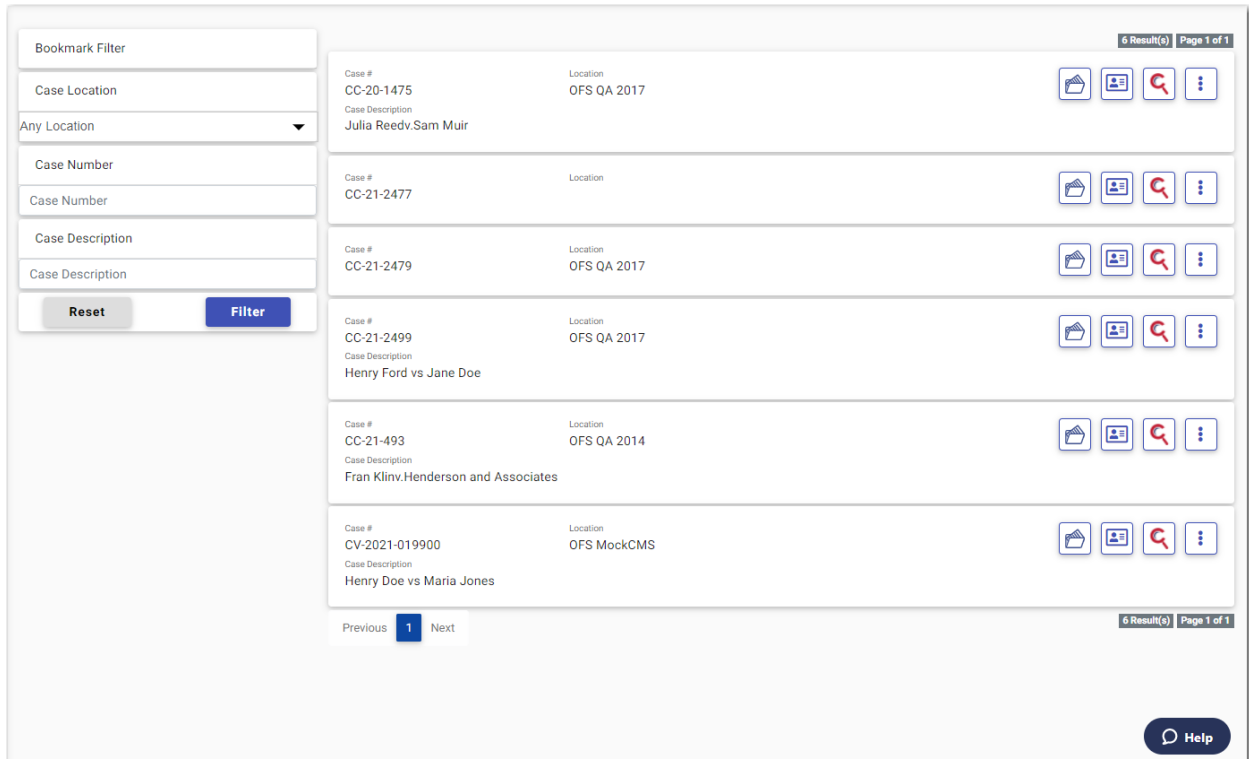


Figure 14.3 – Example of a Bookmarks Page

Adding a New Service Contact

You can add a new service contact to your list of contacts.

To add a new service contact to your contacts list:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Service Contacts**.

The *Service Contacts* page is displayed.

First Name	Last Name	Email Address	Actions
Lilly	Dog	lilly94321.dog@gmail.com	
Tasha	Dogster	Tasha.dogster@gmail.com	
Lauren	Groswald	lauren.groswald@gmail.com	
Bobby	Smith	bobby.smith@gmail.com	
Ruby	Smith	ruby@smith.com	
Phillip	Walters		

Previous **1** Next 1 - 6 of 6

Figure 14.4 – Service Contacts Page

2. Click .

Additional fields are displayed.

First Name	Last Name	Email Address	Actions
You must provide either an email address or a physical address.			
First name *	Middle name	Last name *	
Email *	Phone number		
Administrative email(s)			
Country United States			
Address Line 1 *			
Address Line 2			
City *	State * Select...	Zip Code *	
<input type="checkbox"/> Add to Public List			
			<input type="button" value="Cancel"/> <input type="button" value="Save"/>

Figure 14.5 – Service Contacts—Additional Fields

- Complete the required information in the **First Name** and **Last Name** fields. Add a middle name, if applicable, in the **Middle Name** field.
 - Type the contact's email address in the **Email** field.
- Note: You must provide either an email address or a physical address. You can enter both addresses if applicable.**
- If applicable, type a phone number in the **Phone Number** field.
 - If applicable, type the administrative email address in the **Administrative email(s)** field.
 - If the contact is in a country other than the United States, select the country from the drop-down list.

The default selection is **United States**.

8. If a physical address is required for the service contact, type the address in the **Address Line 1** field.
9. If applicable, type an address in the **Address Line 2** field.
10. Type the name of the city in the **City** field.
11. Select the state from the **State** drop-down list.
12. Type the ZIP code in the **Zip Code** field.
13. Select the **Add to Public List** check box if you want to add the new service contact to the public list.

Note: If you add the service contact to the public list, other filers will have access to that contact for their filings.



14. After you have entered the required information, click

The contact that you added is displayed in the list on the *Service Contacts* page.

Adding Yourself as a Service Contact to a Filing

You can add yourself as a service contact on a case filing to ensure that you will receive updates regarding the filing.

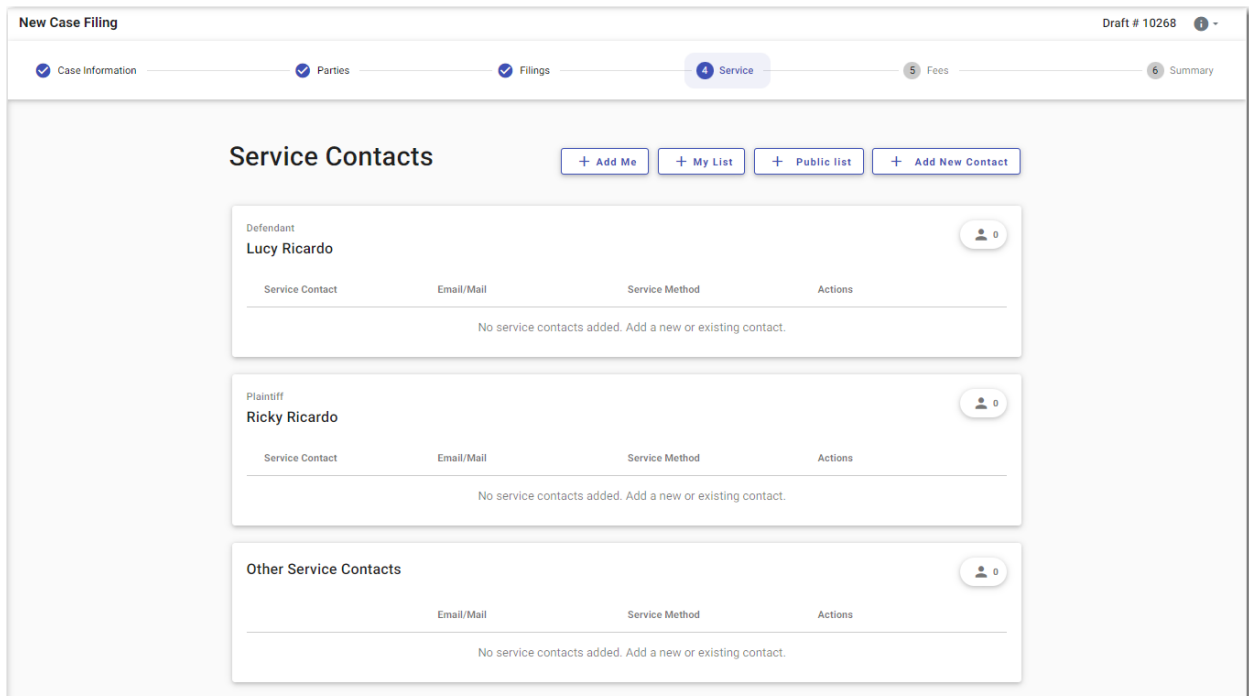
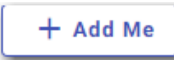


Figure 14.6 – Example of a Service Page in a Case Filing

To add yourself as a service contact on a case filing:



1. On the *Service* page, click

The *Add Me As Service Contact* page is displayed.

The screenshot displays the 'New Case Filing' interface. At the top right, it shows 'Draft # 10247' and an information icon. A progress bar below the title indicates the current step is '4 Service', with previous steps 'Case Information', 'Parties', and 'Filings' completed, and subsequent steps 'Fees' and 'Summary' pending. The main content area is titled 'Add Me As Service Contact' and features a central pane titled 'Associate Parties'. This pane contains the instruction 'Select one or more parties to associate with the service contact' and a dropdown menu with the placeholder text 'Select Parties'.

Figure 14.7 – Example of an Add Me As Service Contact Page

2. In the Associate Parties pane, select the party that you want to associate with the service contact.

Note: If the service contact you are adding is not associated with any party on the case, select “Other: No party association” from the drop-down list in the *Associate Parties* drop-down list.

3. Click  .

Adding a Service Contact from Your Service Contact List to a Filing

You can add a service contact from your service contact list to a filing.

The screenshot shows the 'New Case Filing' interface with the 'Service' tab selected. The breadcrumb trail includes 'Case Information', 'Parties', 'Filings', 'Service', 'Fees', and 'Summary'. The 'Service' section is titled 'Service Contacts' and contains four buttons: '+ Add Me', '+ My List', '+ Public list', and '+ Add New Contact'. Below these are three sections for adding service contacts:

- Defendant: Lucy Ricardo** (0 contacts)
- Plaintiff: Ricky Ricardo** (0 contacts)
- Other Service Contacts** (0 contacts)

Each section has a table with columns for 'Service Contact', 'Email/Mail', 'Service Method', and 'Actions'. The text 'No service contacts added. Add a new or existing contact.' is displayed in each table.

Figure 14.8 – Example of a Service Page in a Case Filing

To add a service contact from your contact list to a filing:

1. On the *Service* page, click

+ My List

The *Add from My Service Contacts* page is displayed.

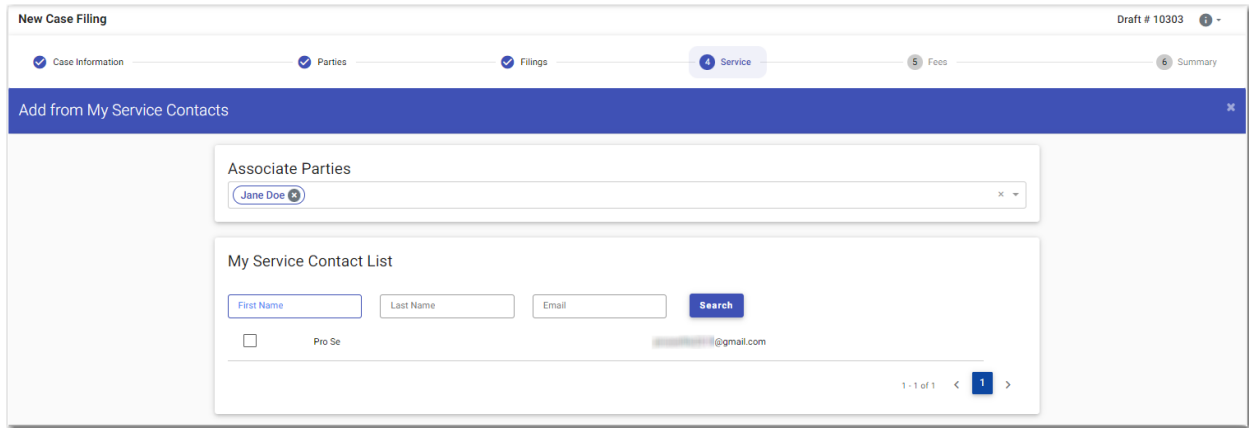


Figure 14.9 – Example of an Add from My Service Contacts Page

2. In the Associate Parties pane, select the party that you want to associate with the selected service contacts.

Note: If the service contact you are adding is not associated with any party on the case, select “Other: No party association” from the Associate Parties drop-down list.

3. In the My Service Contact List pane, select the check box for each contact that you want to add to the filing.

4. Click  .

Adding a Service Contact from a Public List to a Filing

You can add a service contact from a public list to a filing.

The screenshot shows the 'New Case Filing' interface with the 'Service' tab selected. The breadcrumb trail includes Case Information, Parties, Filings, Service (selected), Fees, and Summary. The 'Service' section has four buttons: '+ Add Me', '+ My List', '+ Public list', and '+ Add New Contact'. Below are three sections for service contacts:

- Defendant: Lucy Ricardo** (0 contacts)

Service Contact	Email/Mail	Service Method	Actions
No service contacts added. Add a new or existing contact.			
- Plaintiff: Ricky Ricardo** (0 contacts)

Service Contact	Email/Mail	Service Method	Actions
No service contacts added. Add a new or existing contact.			
- Other Service Contacts** (0 contacts)

Service Contact	Email/Mail	Service Method	Actions
No service contacts added. Add a new or existing contact.			

Figure 14.10 – Example of a Service Page in a Case Filing

To add a service contact from the public list to a filing:

1. On the *Service* page, click

+ Public list

The *Add Existing Public Contact* page is displayed.

Figure 14.11 – Example of an Add Existing Public Contact Page

- In the Associate Parties pane, select the party that you want to associate with the selected service contacts.

Note: If the service contact you are adding is not associated with any party on the case, select “Other: No party association” from the Associate Parties drop-down list.

- In the Public Service Contact List pane, type at least one letter in a field, and then click .

The public service contacts that match the information you entered are displayed. The system returns a maximum of 100 public service contacts.

- Locate the contacts that you want to add to your filing.
- Select the check box for each contact that you want to add.

- Click .

Adding a New Service Contact to a Filing

You can add a new service contact to a filing.

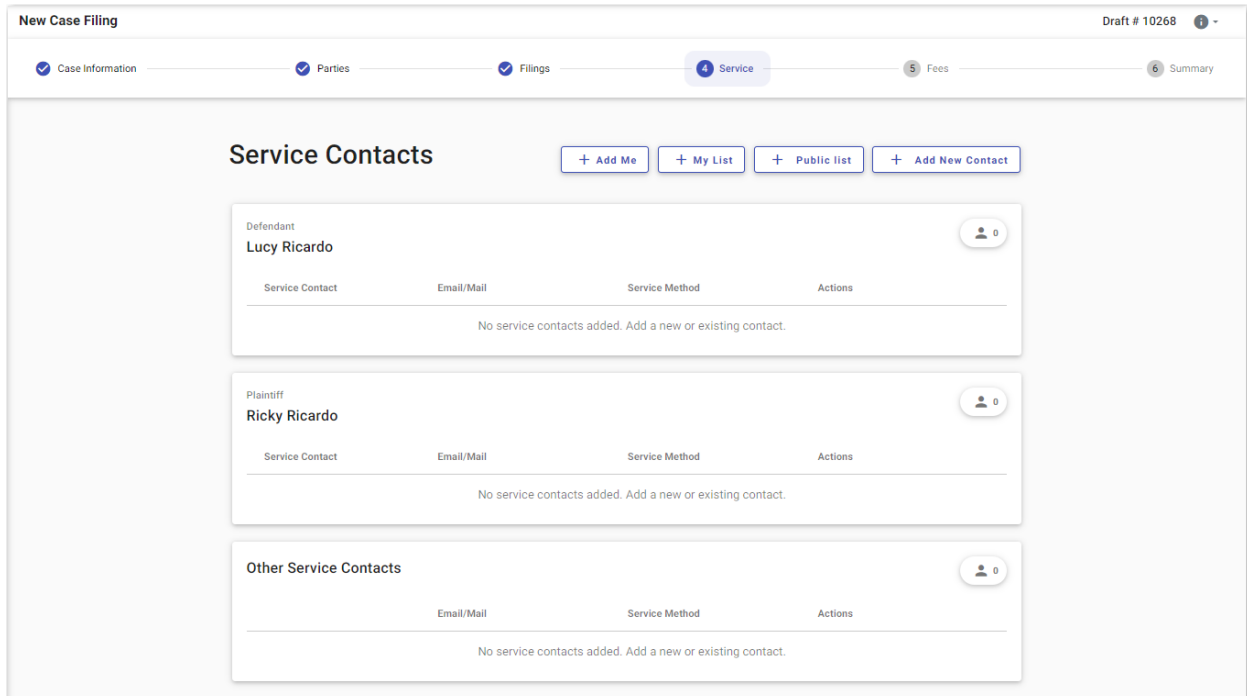


Figure 14.12 – Example of a Service Page in a Case Filing

To add a new service contact to a filing:

1. On the *Service* page, click .

The *Add Service Contact* page is displayed.

Figure 14.13 – Example of an Add Service Contact Page

- In the Service Method pane, from the **Service Method** drop-down list, select the service method to use for each service contact.

Note: If you selected the eFile Only option for the filing type, the Service Method pane is not displayed on the Add Service Contact page.

Note: The available service method options are configured by Tyler. Some options may not be available on your system.

Figure 14.14 – Example of a Service Method Drop-Down List

- In the Associate Parties pane, select the party that you want to associate with the new service contact.

Note: If the service contact you are adding is not associated with any party on the case, select “Other: No party association” from the Associate Parties drop-down list.

- In the Contact Information pane, complete the required information in the **First Name** and **Last Name** fields. Add a middle name, if applicable, in the **Middle Name** field.
- Type the contact’s email address in the **Email** field.

Note: You must provide either an email address or a physical address. You can enter both addresses if applicable.

- If applicable, type a phone number in the **Phone Number** field.
- If applicable, type the administrative email address in the **Administrative email(s)** field.

8. If the contact is in a country other than the United States, select the country from the drop-down list.

The default selection is **United States**.

9. If a physical address is required for the service contact, type the address in the **Address Line 1** field.

10. If applicable, type an address in the **Address Line 2** field.

11. Type the name of the city in the **City** field.

12. Select the state from the **State** drop-down list.

13. Type the ZIP code in the **Zip Code** field.

14. Select the **Add to Public List** check box if you want to add the new service contact to the public list.

Note: If you add the service contact to the public list, other filers will have access to that contact for their filings.



15. After you have entered the required information, click

Updating Information for an Existing Service Contact

You can update the information that you previously entered for a service contact.

To update the information for an existing service contact:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Service Contacts**.

The *Service Contacts* page is displayed.

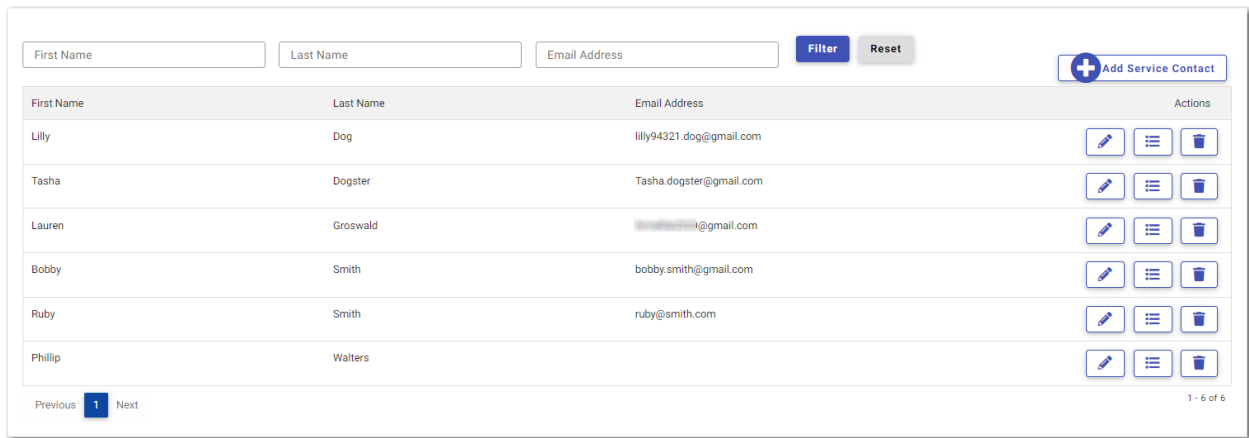


Figure 14.15 – Service Contacts Page



2. Locate the service contact that you want to update, and then click

The additional fields for the specified service contact are displayed with the information that you previously entered.

3. Update the information, as applicable.



4. When you are done with your updates, click

Viewing a List of Cases Attached to a Service Contact

You can view a list of cases that are attached to a specified service contact.

Note: If you plan to delete a service contact from your list of contacts, Tyler recommends that you first check to see if that contact is attached to any case filings.

To view a list of cases that are attached to a service contact:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Service Contacts**.

The *Service Contacts* page is displayed.

First Name	Last Name	Email Address	Actions
Lilly	Dog	lilly94321.dog@gmail.com	
Tasha	Dogster	Tasha.dogster@gmail.com	
Lauren	Groswald	lauren.groswald@gmail.com	
Bobby	Smith	bobby.smith@gmail.com	
Ruby	Smith	ruby@smith.com	
Phillip	Walters		

Figure 14.16 – Service Contacts Page

2. Locate the name of the service contact for whom you want to view the attached cases, and then click



If there are cases attached to the specified service contact, the list of cases is displayed in a window.

Case Number	Location	Case Description
CC-15-1813	OFS QA 2017	*****
CC-22-984	OFS QA 2017	
CC-22-1475	OFS QA 2017 - Court at Law	Breegan Semonelli v. Sisco Agency

[Download Attached Cases](#)

Close

Figure 14.17 – Service Contact Attached Cases Window

- Click [Download Attached Cases](#) to download the case list to a Microsoft Excel file.
The attached cases are listed on the Excel spreadsheet.

Note: If there are no cases attached to the service contact, the following window is displayed.

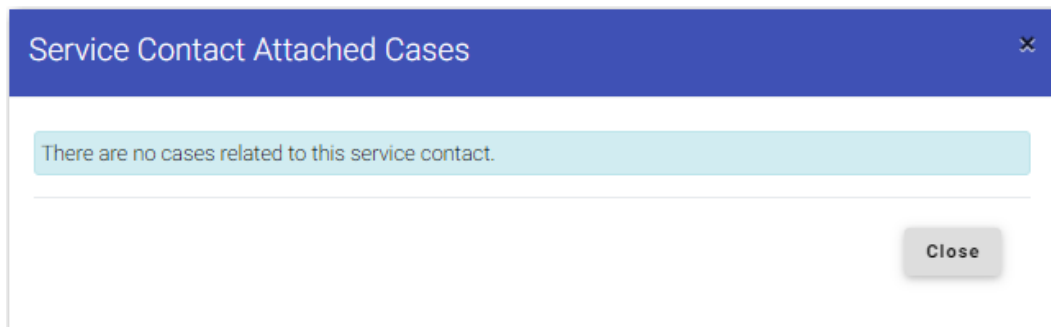


Figure 14.18 – Service Contact Attached Cases Window—No Attached Cases

Viewing Service Contact History for a Case

You can view the service contact history for a case from the *Filing History* page, the *Case Search* page, or the *Bookmarks* page.

To view the service contact history for a case:

- Locate the case for which you want to view the service contact history.

- Click  .

The *Service Contacts* window for the specified case is displayed.

Service Contacts - Case # CC-21-1355

Service Contacts

+ Add Me + My List + Public list + Add New Contact

Plaintiff
Edmund Chanelle 1

Email/Mail: [redacted]@gmail.com

Actions: [edit] [delete]

Defendant
Simone Haydn 0

Email/Mail: _____

Actions: _____

No service contacts added. Add a new or existing contact.

Other Service Contacts 1

Email/Mail: _____

Actions: [edit] [delete]

bobby.smith@gmail.com

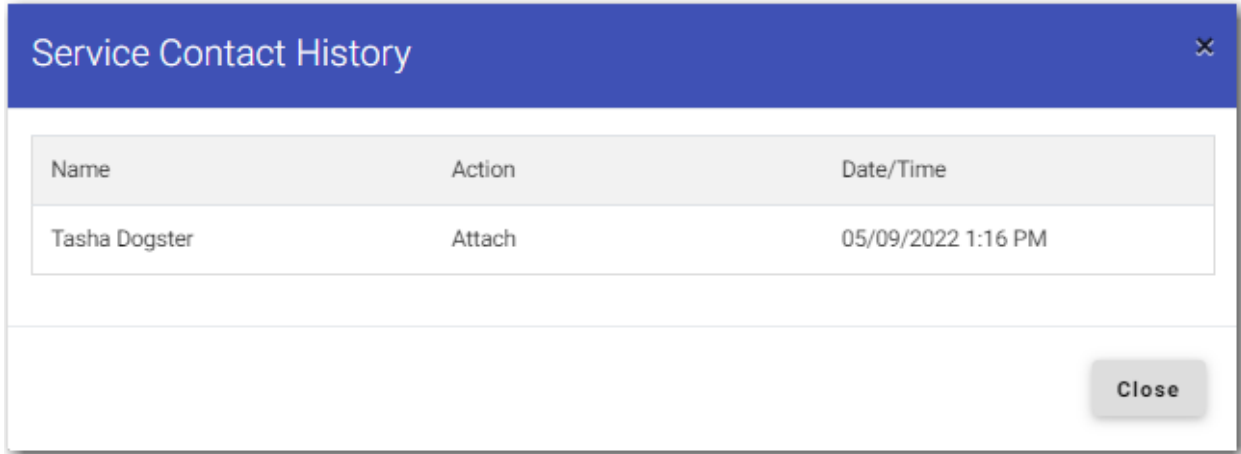
Service Contact History Cancel Save

Figure 14.19 – Example of a Case Service Contacts Window

3. Click

Service Contact History

The *Service Contact History* window is displayed.



Name	Action	Date/Time
Tasha Dogster	Attach	05/09/2022 1:16 PM

Figure 14.20 – Example of a Service Contact History Window

Updating Information for a Service Contact Attached to a Case

You can view a list of service contacts that are attached to a case. You can also update the information for a service contact, if necessary.

To update the information for a service contact attached to a case:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot shows a web interface for filing history. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Status, Location, Case / Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main area displays a list of cases, each with a title, envelope number, submission date, and a table of service contacts. Each case entry has a set of icons for actions like print, refresh, search, and help.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		


Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 14.21 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the case for which you want to view the service contacts.

3. Click  .

The service contacts for the case are displayed.

4. Locate the service contact that you want to update, and then click  .

The *Update Service Contact* window is displayed.

Figure 14.22 – Update Service Contact Window

5. Update the information for the service contact, and then click

Save



















Deleting a Service Contact

You can delete a contact from your service contacts list if you no longer need that contact.

To delete a service contact from the *Service Contacts* page:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **My Service Contacts**.



The *Service Contacts* page is displayed.

First Name	Last Name	Email Address	Actions
Lilly	Dog	lilly94321.dog@gmail.com	  
Tasha	Dogster	Tasha.dogster@gmail.com	  
Lauren	Groswald	lauren.groswald@gmail.com	  
Bobby	Smith	bobby.smith@gmail.com	  
Ruby	Smith	ruby@smith.com	  
Phillip	Walters	phillip.walters@gmail.com	  

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Figure 14.23 – Service Contacts Page

2. Locate the name of the service contact that you want to delete.

3. Click  to immediately delete the service contact, or click  to first view the cases that are attached to that service contact.

Note: Once deleted, the contact is immediately removed from the service contacts list and from any case filings to which it was attached.

15 Templates

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Adding a Template
- ◆ Editing a Template
- ◆ Using a New Case Template
- ◆ Using an Existing Case Template
- ◆ Copying a Template
- ◆ Deleting a Template

Templates allow you to start a new case from a template that you have created, saving you time.

Adding a Template

To add a template that you can use to quickly start a new case or file into an existing case:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Templates**.

The *Templates* page is displayed.

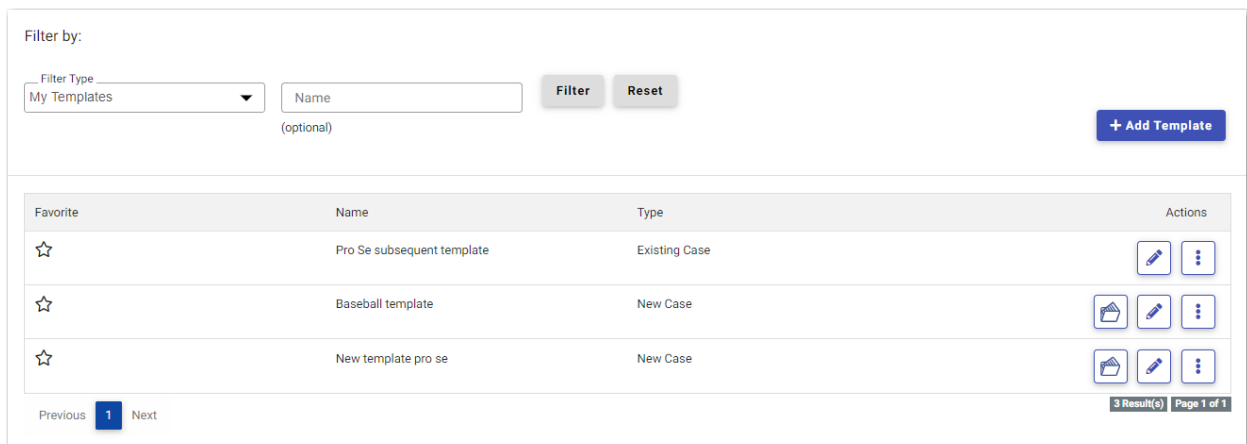
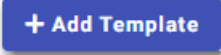



Figure 15.1 – Templates Page

2. Click .

A pane is displayed.

Figure 15.2 – Templates Pane

3. Type a name for the template in the **Name** field.
4. Select either **New Case** or **Existing Case**.
5. Select the **Favorite** check box if you want to designate this template as a favorite.

6. Click  to begin creating your template.

The *Case Information* page is displayed.

7. Enter as much information on this page as you want to use in your template.
8. Continue entering information on each page of the filing until you have the information that you want to use in your template.

Note: You can stop at any time and save the pages that you have completed. You do not have to create an entire case filing to save the entries as a template.

9. If you enter information on each page of the case filing, on the *Summary* page, click



The *Templates* page is displayed. The template you just created is added to the list of other templates. The new template is also displayed on the *Dashboard* page.

Editing a Template

You can edit an existing template if you need to make changes to it.

To edit an existing template:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Templates**.

The *Templates* page is displayed.

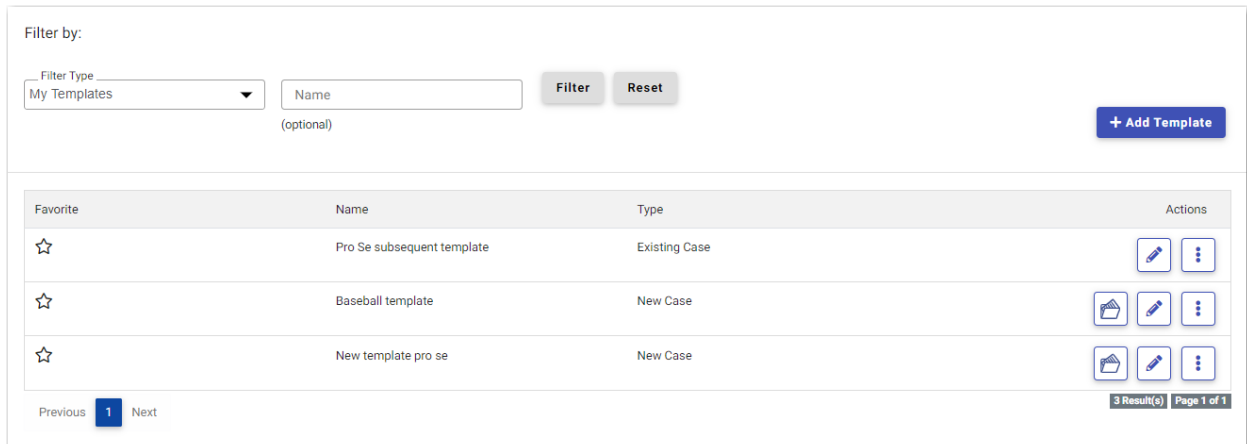



Figure 15.3 – Templates Page

2. Locate the template that you want to edit, and then click  .

The template name is displayed in a separate pane.

Note: You can change the template name if you want.

3. Click  .

The *Case Information* page is displayed. Any information that you previously entered on this page remains.

4. Make any changes that you want on the *Case Information* page.
5. If you entered information on any other pages in your template, make changes as needed to those

pages. Then click  .

Your template is now updated and is listed on the *Templates* page and on the *Dashboard* page.

Using a New Case Template

After a template has been created, you can use it to accelerate your filing.

To use a template that you previously created:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Templates**.

The *Templates* page is displayed.

Filter by:

Filter Type
My Templates

Name (optional)

Filter Reset

+ Add Template

Favorite	Name	Type	Actions
☆	Pro Se subsequent template	Existing Case	
☆	Baseball template	New Case	
☆	New template pro se	New Case	

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Figure 15.4 – Templates Page

2. Locate the template that you want to use, and then click .

The *Case Information* page is displayed. All of the information that you entered when you created the template is auto-filled.

3. Enter the remaining required information for the new case until you reach the *Summary* page.
4. Review the summary of the case filing. After you are satisfied with the information in your filing, click

Submit

The new case filing is displayed on the *Filing History* page.

Using an Existing Case Template

After a template has been created, you can use it to accelerate your filing when filing into an existing case.

To access an existing case template:


1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot displays the 'Filing History' page. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Status, Location, Case / Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main area shows a list of cases under the 'Filing History' tab. Each case entry includes a title, envelope number, submission date, and a table of filing details. The cases listed are:

- Case # CC-20-1475**: Julia Reedv.Sam Muir. Envelope # 179288 Submitted 02/24/2022 10:14 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Served, Submitted; Filing Code: Service Only, Mandate; Filing Type: Service Only, eFile Only.
- Case # CC-22-684**: Pro Se Filerv.James Weir. Envelope # 179280 Submitted 02/24/2022 8:26 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted; Filing Code: Action - Initial Only; Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-4204**: Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates. Envelope # 175475 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:23 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted; Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only; Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-3714**: Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall. Envelope # 175474 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:17 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Submitted; Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only; Filing Type: eFile and Serve.
- Envelope # 175472**: Envelope # 175472 Submitted 01/24/2022 11:32 AM by Pro Se Filer.

Figure 15.5 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the case that you want to file into, and then click .

A drop-down list is displayed.

3. Click **File Into Case With Template**.

The *Templates Matching* window is displayed, along with a list of available templates.

Templates Matching Case: CC-22-684 | Location:OFS QA 2017 | Category:Civil | Case Type:Breach Of Contract

Filter Type: My Templates **Filter** **Reset**


We matched your selected case's Location, Case Type, and Case Category to your templates. If the template's Location/Type/Category matches the case, each template section will be created on the draft. You can use a template even if there are mismatches. The templates are listed in best match order. If you select a template without a complete match, we attempt to create the entire template, but your draft might not include the template's documents or optional services. The Template Matches On tooltips display case criteria for the individual template.

Favorite	Name	Template Matches On	Actions
	Pro Se subsequent template	Location Category	

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Cancel

Figure 15.6 – Templates Matching Window

4. Locate the template that you want to use for the case you are filing into, and then click  .
- The template that you selected is displayed on the *Case Information* page. The fields that you previously entered when the template was created are auto-filled.
5. Enter the remaining required information for the new case until you reach the *Summary* page.
6. Review the summary of the case filing. After you are satisfied with the information in your filing, click

Submit

The new case filing is displayed on the *Filing History* page.

Copying a Template

You can copy an existing template, assign a new name to the template, and then save it under the new name. Once the new template is created, you can make changes to it, as necessary. The original template remains unchanged.

To copy an existing template:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Templates**.

The *Templates* page is displayed.

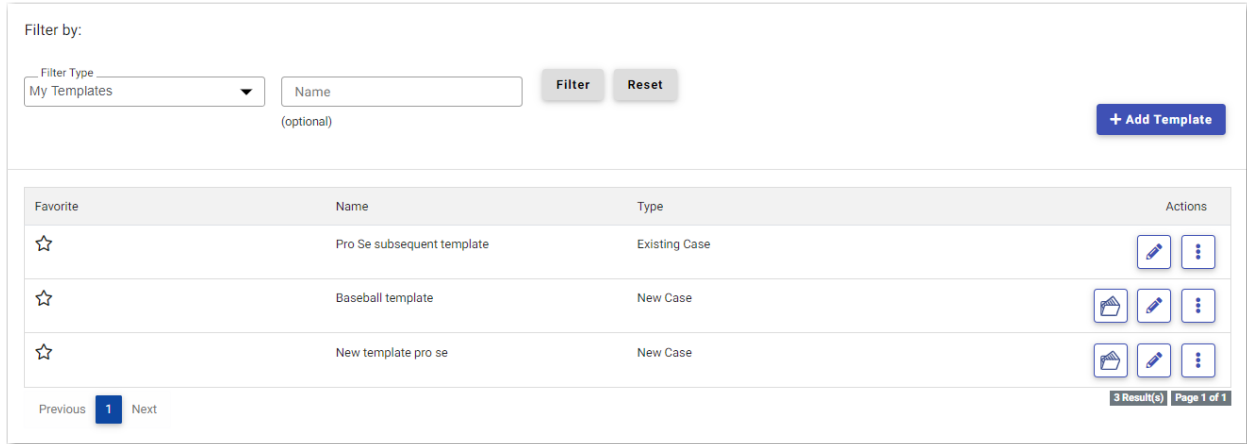



Figure 15.7 – Templates Page

2. Locate the template that you want to copy, and then click . A drop-down list is displayed.

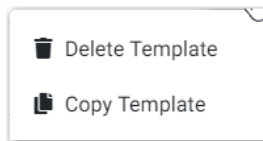




Figure 15.8 – More Options Drop-Down List

3. Click **Copy Template**.

The template name is displayed in a separate pane with “Copy” as part of the name.

4. Rename the template to a different name.
5. Select the **Favorite** check box if you want to designate this template as a favorite.

6. Click  if you want to save the template as is with the new name. Or, click  to make changes to the template.

When you are done saving the new template, it is displayed on the *Templates* page with your other templates.

Deleting a Template

You can delete a template that you no longer need.

To delete an existing template:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Templates**.
The *Templates* page is displayed.

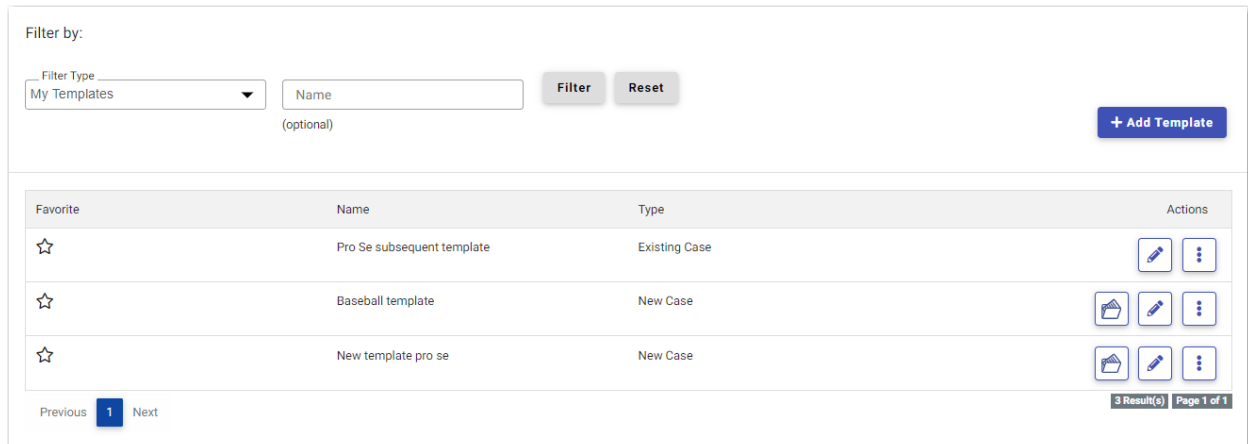



Figure 15.9 – Templates Page

2. Locate the template that you want to delete, and then click  .
A drop-down list is displayed.

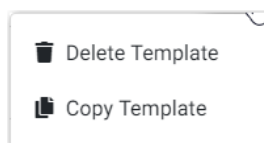


Figure 15.10 – More Options Drop-Down List

3. Click **Delete Template**.

The following warning message is displayed: Are you sure you want to delete the template "xyz"?

4. Click  to delete the template, or click  to cancel the action.

If you clicked  , a confirmation message is displayed, and the template is deleted.

16 Filings

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Copying the Envelope
- ◆ Viewing the Envelope Details
- ◆ Viewing Case Address Information in the Envelope Details
- ◆ Viewing Mail Service Fees in the Envelope Details
- ◆ Viewing Certified Mail Services Information in Envelope Details
- ◆ Viewing Envelope Level Information in the Envelope Details
- ◆ Resuming a Case Filing
- ◆ Deleting a Draft Filing
- ◆ Canceling a Filing

After you have uploaded and submitted your filing, the filing is displayed on the *Filing History* page. On this page, you can view the status of your filing, check the filing code, check the filing type, get a document description, see the number assigned to your case, review the details of the case, view the service contacts attached to a case, and cancel a filing. You can also view the time and date that the filing was submitted. The time stamp corresponds to the time zone in which the filing occurred.

Copying the Envelope

You can copy an envelope to create a new envelope to resubmit to the courts if the envelope has been returned or rejected for any reason.

To copy an envelope:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

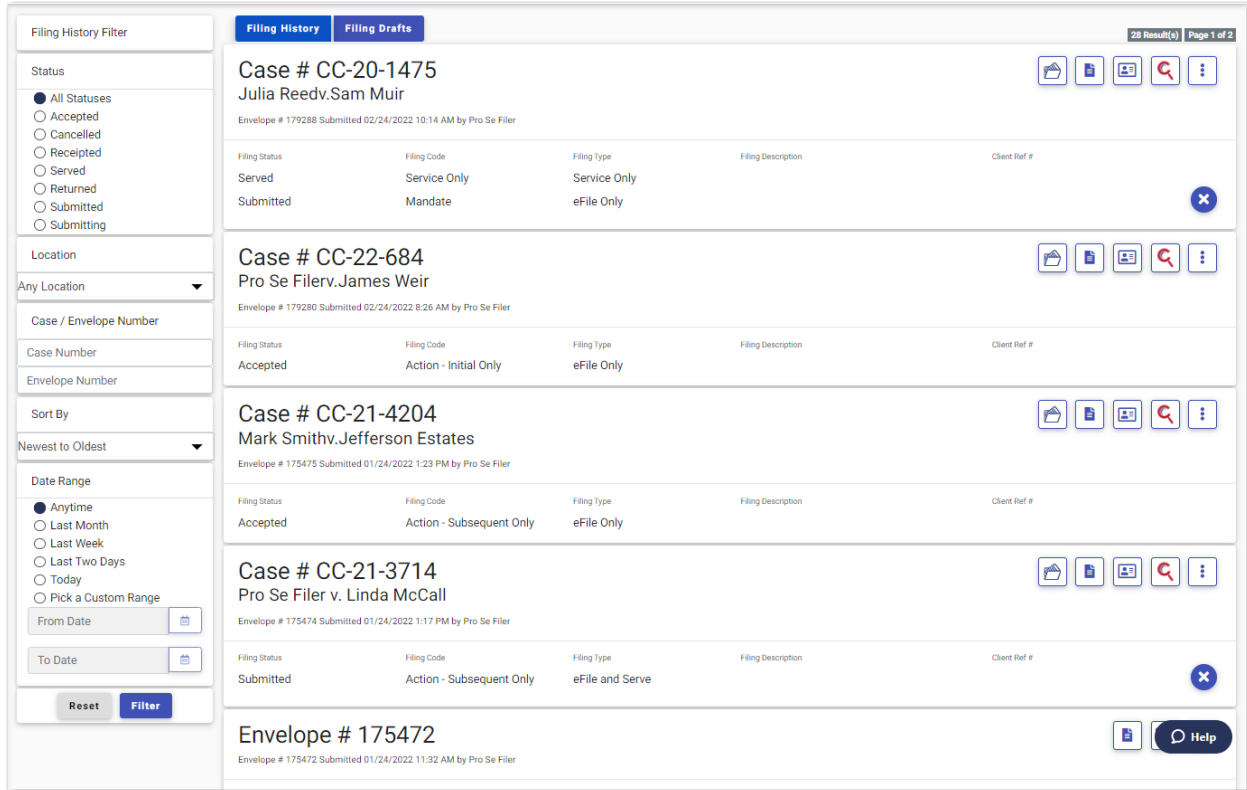




Figure 16.1 – Filing History Page

- In the Status pane, select **Returned**, and then click .
- The returned cases are displayed, per the filter that you set.
- Locate the envelope that you want to copy.
- Click , and then select **Copy Envelope**.

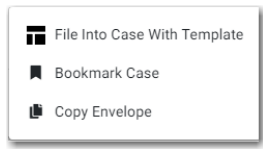


Figure 16.2 – More Options Drop-Down List

A copy of the envelope is displayed on the *Case Information* page.

New Case Filing Draft # 10273

1 Case Information 2 Parties 3 Filings 4 Service 5 Fees 6 Summary

Case Information

Court location *
OFS QA 2018 - Court at Law x ▾
This is the court where you are filing your case.
<https://www.dallascounty.org/government/courts/>

Case category *
Family x ▾
This is the type of case you are filing (Family, Probate, or Civil).

Case type *
Other Family Law Matters x ▾
If you can't find your case type, change the case category to see other case types.

Submit

Figure 16.3 – Example of a Case Information Page for a Copied Envelope

5. Navigate through the pages of the envelope to verify the information. Make any changes as appropriate.

6. Review the information on the *Summary* page. If everything is correct, click

Note: A message on the *Summary* page indicates that the envelope is a copy.

New Case Filing Draft # 10273

Case Information Parties Filings Service Fees Summary

Submission Agreements *

I agree that this filing is in compliance with the Rules for E-Filing

You must accept the Submission Agreements.

Case Information Edit

This is a copy of envelope 169524. Please verify all information before submitting.

Case Location	Case Type	Case Category
OFS QA 2018 - Court at Law	Other Family Law Matters	Family

Parties Edit

Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney
Respondent		
Petitioner		

Filings Edit

Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment	eFile Only		

Service Contacts Edit

Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts
Respondent		+
Petitioner		+
Other Service Contacts		+

Fees Edit

Parent account	Party responsible	Filing attorney
Firm's New CC 11202020	John Doe	Abby Carmichael
File type		
Default		

Filing Fee	
Abstract Of Judgment	\$5.00
Optional Service Fees	
Certified Copies (\$17.00 x 2)	\$34.00
Split Fee Service (\$10.00 x 1)	\$10.00
Service Fees	
Total Service Fees	\$1.00
Convenience Fee	\$2.00

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Figure 16.4 – Example of a Summary Page for a Copied Envelope

Viewing the Envelope Details

You can view the details of an envelope on the *Filing History* page.

To view the envelope details:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot displays the 'Filing History' page. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Status, Location, Case / Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main area shows a list of cases, each with a header and a table of details. The cases listed are:

- Case # CC-20-1475**: Julia Reedv.Sam Muir. Envelope # 179288 Submitted 02/24/2022 10:14 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Served, Submitted; Filing Code: Service Only, Mandate; Filing Type: Service Only, eFile Only.
- Case # CC-22-684**: Pro Se Filerv.James Weir. Envelope # 179280 Submitted 02/24/2022 8:26 AM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted; Filing Code: Action - Initial Only; Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-4204**: Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates. Envelope # 175475 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:23 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Accepted; Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only; Filing Type: eFile Only.
- Case # CC-21-3714**: Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall. Envelope # 175474 Submitted 01/24/2022 1:17 PM by Pro Se Filer. Filing Status: Submitted; Filing Code: Action - Subsequent Only; Filing Type: eFile and Serve.
- Envelope # 175472**: Envelope # 175472 Submitted 01/24/2022 11:32 AM by Pro Se Filer.

Figure 16.5 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the specified case for which you want to view the envelope details.

3. Click  .

The envelope details are displayed.

Note: For subsequent filings, the envelope details do NOT include newly added parties if the envelope has not been accepted yet.

Envelope Details
Print X

Envelope			
Envelope ID 179293	Submitted By Lauren Groswald	Username [redacted]@gmail.com	
Case Information			
Court Location OFS QA 2017	Case Type Custodianship - Gifts To Minors	Case Category Probate or Mental Health	
Parties			
Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney	
Petitioner	Nate Friends		
Filings			
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Appointment			▼
Service Contacts			
Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts	
Petitioner	Nate Friends	[User Icon] ▼	
Other Service Contacts		[User Icon] ▼	
Fees			
Payment account Fee CC 01.04	Party responsible Nate Friends	Filing attorney	
Case ID 000179293-0	Transaction Response	Transaction Amount \$5.16	Transaction ID 149867
Filing Fee Appointment			\$5.00
Service Fees Convenience Fee			\$0.16
Grand Total			\$5.16

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Figure 16.6 – Example of an Envelope Details Page

4. Click Print to print a copy of the envelope details.

Viewing Case Address Information in the Envelope Details

You can view the case address information and other details of an envelope on the *Filing History* page.

Note: The Case Address feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To view the case address information in the envelope details:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot displays the 'Filing History' page. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Status, Location, Case/Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main area shows a list of cases under the 'Filing History' tab. Each case entry includes a title, envelope number, submission date, and a table of filing details. Action icons are present for each case.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 16.7 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the specified case for which you want to view the envelope details.

3. Click  .

The envelope details are displayed.

Envelope Details Print X

Envelope			
Envelope ID 188087	Submitted by Lauren Groswald	Username [redacted]@gmail.com	
Case Information			
Court Location OFS QA 2017	Case Type Notice Of Removal	Case Category Civil	
Case Address 555 Main Street Dallas, TX 75230 US Dallas			
Parties			
Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney	
Defendant	John Doe	Perry Mason	
Filings			
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment			▼
Service Contacts			
Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts	
Defendant	John Doe	[User Icon] ▼	
Other Service Contacts		[User Icon] ▼	
Fees			
Payment account Firm's New CC 11202020	Party responsible John Doe	Filing attorney	
Filer Type Default			
Order ID 000188087-0	Transaction Response	Transaction Amount \$8.00	Transaction ID 159406
Filing Fee			
Abstract Of Judgment			\$5.00
Service Fees			
Convenience Fee			\$1.00
Total Filing & Service Fees			\$1.00
Total Court Service Fees			\$1.00
Grand Total			\$8.00

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Figure 16.8 – Case Address Information on the Envelope Details Page

4. Click [Print](#) to print a copy of the envelope details.

Viewing Mail Service Fees in the Envelope Details

You can view the mail service fees in the envelope details.

Note: The Mail Service Fees feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To view the mail service fees in the envelope details:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot displays the 'Filing History' page. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Status, Location, Case/Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main area shows a list of cases and one envelope. Each case entry includes a case number, case name, and a table of filing details. The envelope entry shows the envelope number and submission details.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 16.9 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the specified case for which you want to view the envelope details.

3. Click  .

The mail service fees are displayed in the envelope details.

Note: Your screen may differ from the example provided below.

Details - Case # CC-21-117 - Envelope # 256195 PRINT CLOSE

Case

Case: QFS-QA-2017 Category: Civil Type: Appeal

Parties

Count: 2 Show All

Filings

Filing Type	Filing Code	Client Ref #	Filing Description
eFile Only	Abstract Of Judgment		
Submitted Date: 01/21/2021 11:13 AM	Status: Accepted	Received Date: 01/21/2021 11:16 AM	Comments: Auto Review Accepted

Component	Document Name	Description	Security
Attachments	Petition.pdf		Public (G)
Download Version: Original	Court Copy		
Component: Lead Document	BlankTest.pdf		Public (G)
Download Version: Original	Court Copy		

Service

Count: 2 Show All

Fees

Payment Method	Filing Attorney	Firm's Responsible for Fees	Filing Type
Firm's CC	Abby Carmichael	Nauri Watson	AutoReview
Order ID: 000256195-0	Transaction Response: Approved	Transaction Amount: \$20.00	Transaction ID: 260829

Abstract Of Judgment

Filing Fee	\$5.00
Subtotal	\$5.00

Mail Service Fees


Total Mail Service Fees	\$12.00
Subtotal	\$12.00

Service Fees

Convenience Fee	\$1.00
Total Filing & Service Fees	\$1.00
Total Court Service Fees	\$1.00
Subtotal	\$3.00
Grand Total	\$20.00

CLOSE

Figure 16.10 – Example of an Envelope Details Page with the Mail Service Fees Displayed

4. Click  to print a copy of the envelope details.

Viewing Certified Mail Services Information in Envelope Details

You can view the status of certified mail for a specified filing.

Note: The Certified Mail Services feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To view the certified mail services information in the envelope details:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot displays the 'Filing History' page with a sidebar filter and a main content area. The sidebar includes filters for Status, Location, Case/Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main content area shows a list of cases, each with a header, a table of details, and a set of action icons.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 16.11 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the specified case for which you want to view the envelope details.

3. Click  .

The envelope details are displayed.

Note: Your screen may differ from the example provided below.

Details - Case # CC-21-116 - Envelope # 256191 PRINT CLOSE

Case

Location OFS QA 2017	Category Civil	Type Breach Of Contract
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Parties Show All

Count: 2

Filings

Filing Type	Filing Code	Client Ref #	Filing Description
eFile Only	Abstract Of Judgment		
Submitted Date 01/21/2021 10:32 AM	Status Accepted	Review Date 01/21/2021 10:35 AM	Comments Auto Review Accepted

Component	Document Name	Description	Security
Lead Document	BlankTest.pdf		Public (G)
Download Version Original	Court Copy		

Service Hide all

Count: 3

<p>Firm Admin [redacted]@gmail.com Status: Sent (Opened) Served Date: 01/21/2021 10:35 AM Associated Parties: None</p>	<p>Service Method: Eserve Opened Date: 01/21/2021 11:08 AM</p>	<p>Lillian Henderson 1201 tenth ave Plano US, Texas Status: Not Sent Tracking: 00000000000000000000000075025 (USPS) Associated Parties: None</p>
<p>Raymond Thompson 4201 Ohio Dr Dallas US, Texas Status: Not Sent Tracking: 00000000000000000000000075024 (USPS) Associated Parties: None</p>	<p>Service Method: Mail</p>	

Figure 16.12 – Example of an Envelope Details Page with the Certified Mail Services Information Displayed

In the Service pane, you can view information about the status of certified mail for a specified filing.

- Click the link in the tracking section to track the status of the certified mail.

Note: Clicking the link accesses the United States Postal Service (USPS) website, which is displayed in a new tab in your browser.

- Follow the instructions on the USPS website to track the status of the certified mail, which can include obtaining an image with proof of delivery.

Viewing Envelope Level Information in the Envelope Details

You can view the envelope comments that were added to a case filing in the envelope details.

Note: The Envelope Level feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To view the envelope comments in the envelope details:

- On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Filing History' page. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Status, Location, Case/Envelope Number, Sort By, and Date Range. The main content area has tabs for 'Filing History' and 'Filing Drafts'. It displays a list of cases and one envelope. Each case entry includes a case number, title, and a table of filing details. The envelope entry shows the envelope number and submission date.

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Served	Service Only	Service Only		
Submitted	Mandate	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Initial Only	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Accepted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile Only		

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Submitted	Action - Subsequent Only	eFile and Serve		

Figure 16.13 – Filing History Page

2. Locate the specified case for which you want to view the envelope details.

3. Click  .

The envelope comments are displayed in the envelope details in the Case pane.

Envelope Details
Print X

Envelope			
Envelope ID 188086	Submitted by Lauren Groswald	Username [redacted]@gmail.com	

Case Information		
Court Location OFS QA ODY RICMS - Review in CMS	Case Type Small Claims	Case Category Civil
Envelope Comments This is a test case.		

Parties		
Party Type	Party Name	Lead Attorney
Plaintiff	John Doe	Jack Stone
Defendant	Mary Smith	Jerry Jones

Filings			
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
eFiling Event			▼

Service Contacts		
Party Type	Party Name	Service Contacts
Plaintiff	John Doe	[icon] ▼
Defendant	Mary Smith	[icon] ▼
Other Service Contacts		[icon] ▼

Fees			
Payment account Firm's New CC 11202020	Party responsible John Doe	Filing attorney	
Filer Type Default			
Order ID 000188086-0	Transaction Response	Transaction Amount \$53.30	Transaction ID 159405
Total Court Case Fees			
Small Claims			\$20.00
Filing Fee			
eFiling Event			\$30.00

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Figure 16.14 – Example of an Envelope Details Page with the Envelope Comments Displayed

4. Click Print to print a copy of the envelope details.

Resuming a Case Filing

You can resume a case filing even if you have signed out of File & Serve or have exited the filing process. You do so by signing back in to File & Serve, if necessary, and then accessing your case on the *Filing Drafts* page.

To resume a case filing:

1. Locate the specified draft on the *Filing Drafts* page.

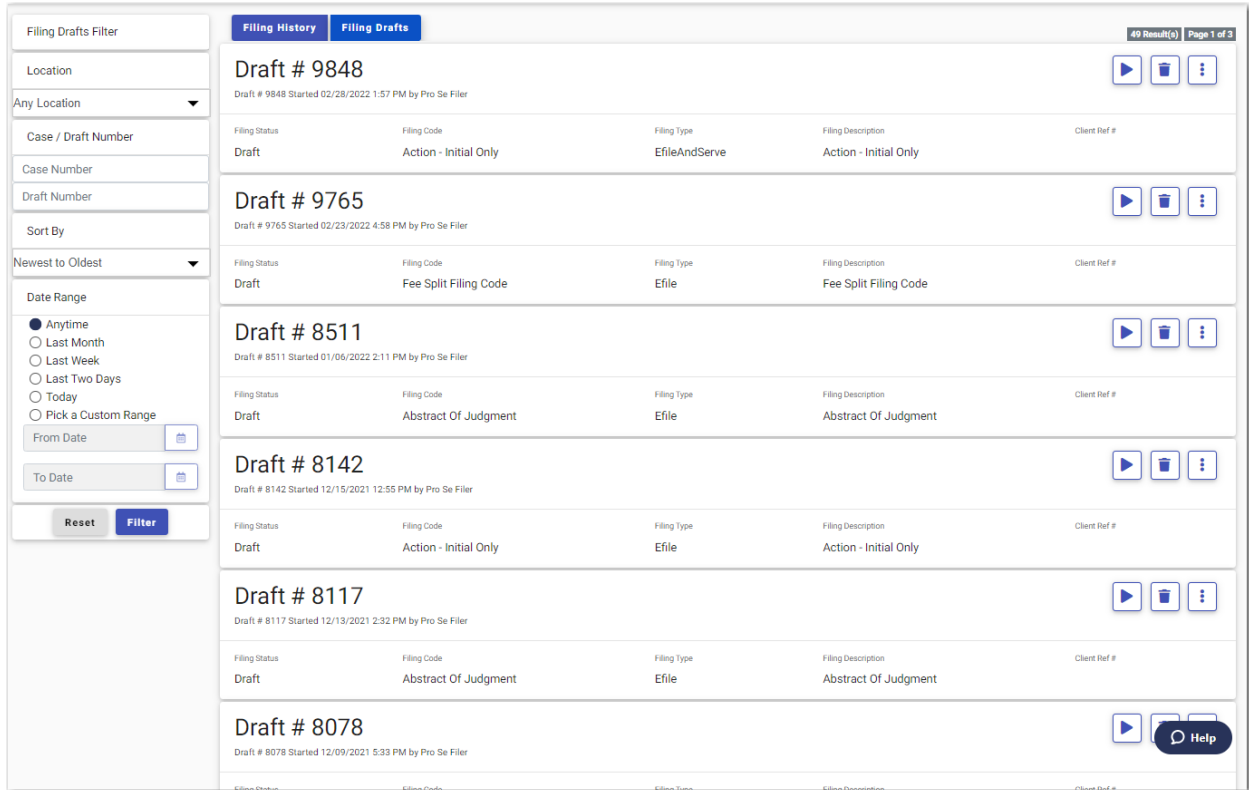




Figure 16.15 – Filing Drafts Page

2. Click  .
The filing opens on the page where you previously stopped working.
3. Make any corrections to your entries as needed.
4. Continue completing the remaining required fields for the filing.
5. After you have completed all of the required fields, click  .

Deleting a Draft Filing

You can delete a draft filing that you no longer need.


To delete a draft filing:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing Drafts**.

The *Filing Drafts* page is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Filing Drafts' page in a web application. On the left is a 'Filing Drafts Filter' sidebar with sections for 'Location', 'Case / Draft Number', 'Sort By', and 'Date Range'. The main area displays a list of draft filings, each with a header (e.g., 'Draft # 9848') and a table of details. The table columns are 'Filing Status', 'Filing Code', 'Filing Type', 'Filing Description', and 'Client Ref #'. Each row also includes a 'Draft #', a start time, and the filer's name. Action buttons (play, trash, and menu) are visible for each draft entry. At the bottom right, there is a 'Help' button.

Figure 16.16 – Filing Drafts Page

2. Locate the draft filing that you want to delete, and then click .

The following warning message is displayed: Are you sure you want to delete Draft # "123"?

3. Click  to delete the draft filing, or click  to cancel the action.

If you clicked , a confirmation message is displayed, and the draft filing is deleted.

Canceling a Filing

You can cancel a filing that you submitted before it has been reviewed by the court.

To cancel a filing:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Filing History**.

The *Filing History* page is displayed.

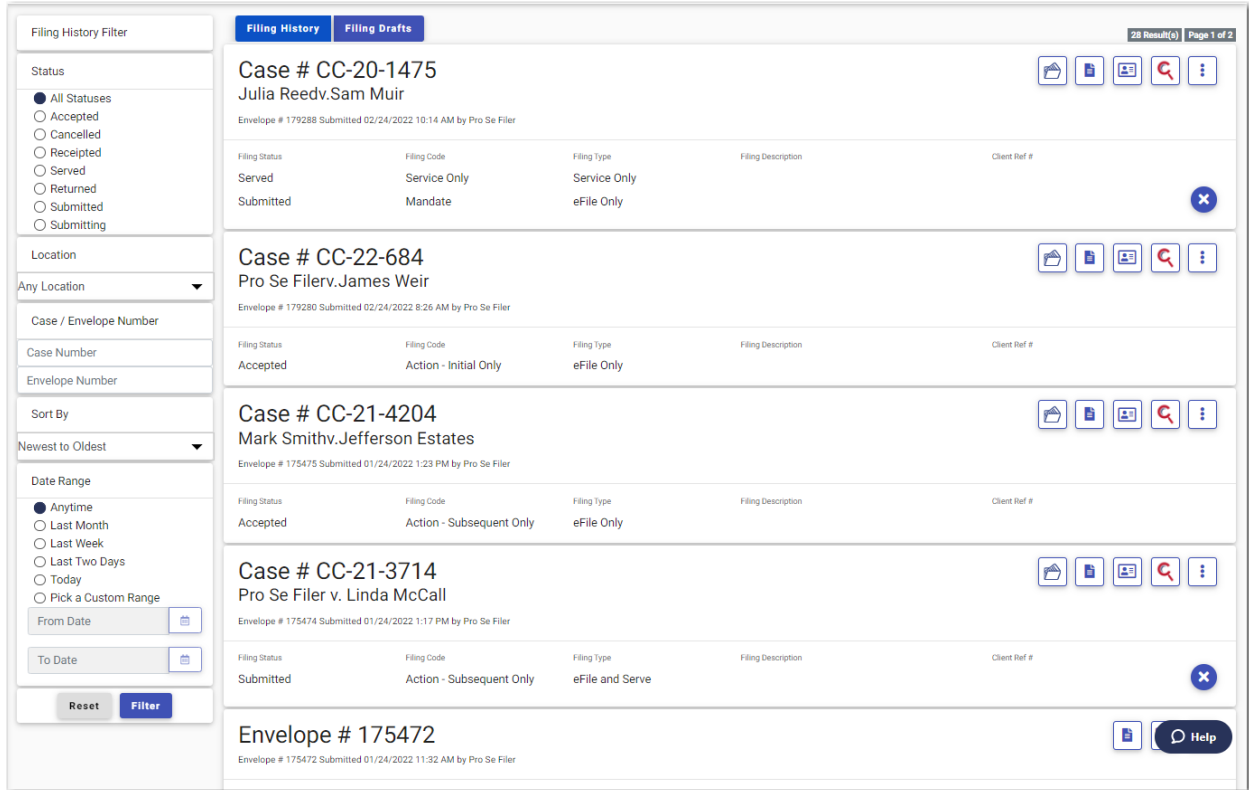



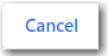
Figure 16.17 – Filing History Page


2. Locate the filing that you want to cancel.

Note: The filing must be in the Submitting or Submitted state to be canceled.

3. Click .

The following warning message is displayed: Are you sure you want to cancel this filing?

4. Click  to cancel the filing, or click  to cancel the action.

If you clicked , a confirmation message is displayed, and the filing is canceled.

17 Bookmarks

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Creating a Bookmark for a Case
- ◆ Removing a Bookmark from a Case
- ◆ Viewing a List of Bookmarked Cases

The *Bookmarks* page displays a list of case numbers, locations, and descriptions for the cases that you have bookmarked. Only you can see this information. Neither the public nor any other user can see your case list.

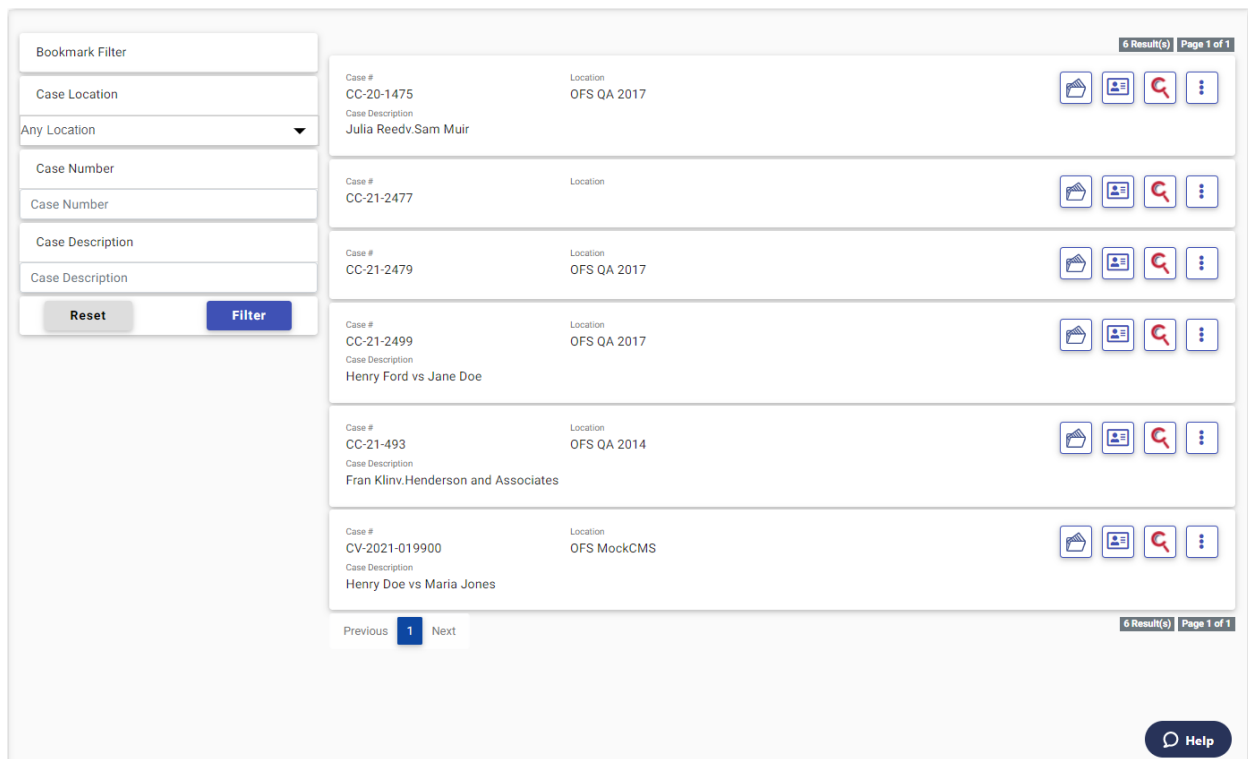


Figure 17.1 – Example of a Bookmarks Page

Creating a Bookmark for a Case

You can create a bookmark for a case from both the *Filing History* page and the *Filing Drafts* page.

To create a bookmark for a case:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click either **Filing History** or **Filing Drafts**.

The page that you selected is displayed.

2. Locate the case or the draft filing that you want to bookmark, and then click .

A drop-down list is displayed.

3. Select **Bookmark Case**.

The case or draft filing that you bookmarked will now be displayed on the *Bookmarks* page.

Removing a Bookmark from a Case

You can remove a bookmark from a case that you previously bookmarked.

To remove an existing bookmark from a case:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Bookmarks**.

The *Bookmarks* page is displayed.

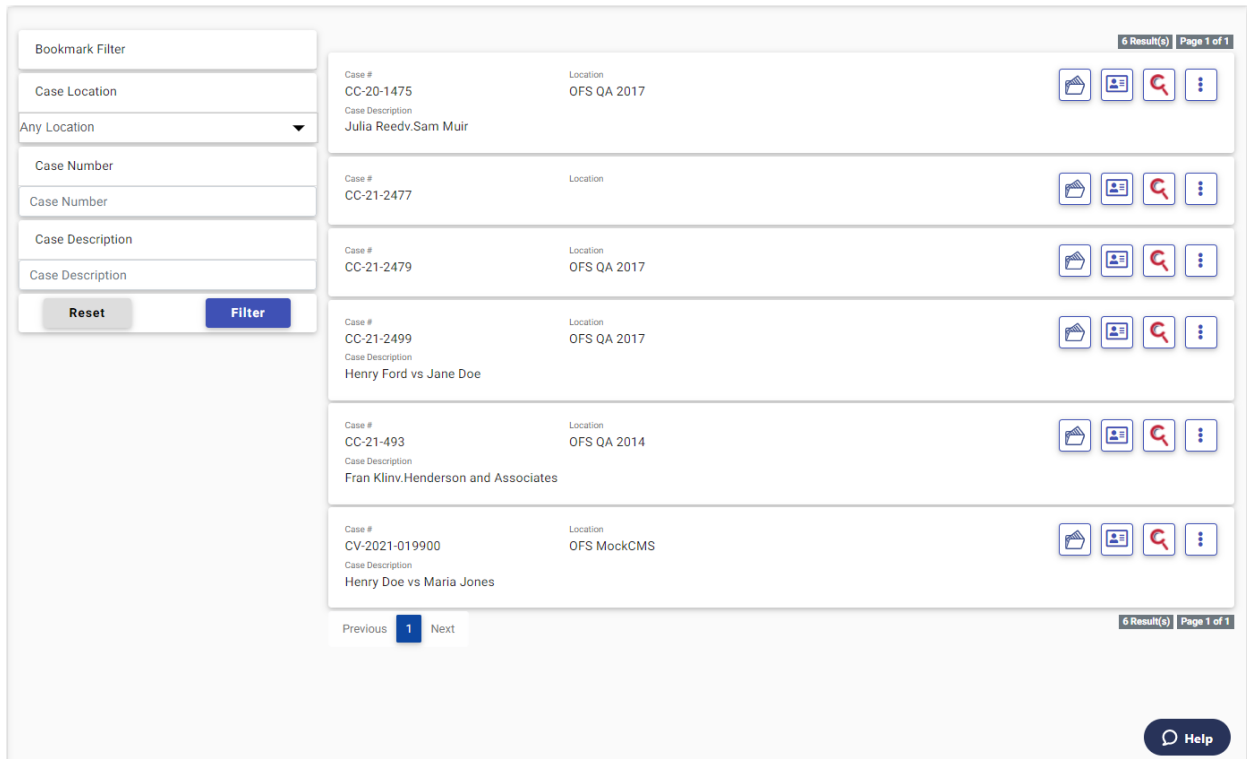


Figure 17.2 – Example of a Bookmarks Page

2. Locate the case for which you want to remove the bookmark, and then click .

A drop-down list is displayed.

3. Select **Remove Bookmark**.

The following warning message is displayed: Are you sure you want to delete bookmark for Case # "CC-xy-abcd"?

4. Click to remove the bookmark, or click to cancel the action.

Viewing a List of Bookmarked Cases

You can view a list of the cases that you have bookmarked for quick access. You can filter your view to only the specific cases that you want to see.

To view a list of cases that you have bookmarked:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Bookmarks**.

The *Bookmarks* page is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Bookmarks' page interface. On the left, there is a 'Bookmark Filter' section with input fields for 'Case Location', 'Case Number', and 'Case Description'. The 'Case Location' field is set to 'Any Location'. Below these fields are 'Reset' and 'Filter' buttons. The main area displays a list of six bookmarked cases, each with its Case #, Location, Case Description, and a set of action icons (envelope, document, magnifying glass, and vertical ellipsis). The cases listed are:

Case #	Location	Case Description
CC-20-1475	OFS QA 2017	Julia Reedy.Sam Muir
CC-21-2477		
CC-21-2479	OFS QA 2017	
CC-21-2499	OFS QA 2017	Henry Ford vs Jane Doe
CC-21-493	OFS QA 2014	Fran Klinv.Henderson and Associates
CV-2021-019900	OFS MockCMS	Henry Doe vs Maria Jones

At the bottom of the list, there are 'Previous' and 'Next' navigation buttons, with '1' indicating the current page. A 'Help' button is located in the bottom right corner. The top right corner shows '6 Result(s)' and 'Page 1 of 1'.

Figure 17.3 – Example of a Bookmarks Page

2. Set the parameters for the cases that you want to view, and then click **Filter**.

The cases that you selected in your filter are now displayed on the *Bookmarks* page.

18 Bulk Filing

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Dashboard
- ◆ Starting Multiple New Case Filings
- ◆ Entering Case Information for a Bulk Filing
- ◆ Entering Party Details for a Bulk Filing
- ◆ Entering Filing Details for a Bulk Filing
- ◆ Entering Payment Information for a Bulk Filing
- ◆ Viewing the Envelope Summary for a Bulk Filing
- ◆ Associating Parties to a Bulk Filing
- ◆ Filing into a Bulk Filing That Contains Multiple Existing Cases
- ◆ Copying a Bulk Filing


Bulk filing allows you to create and submit a group of envelopes to the court at the same time. Some courts may provide discounts if a specified number of envelopes is submitted in the same bulk filing.

Note: The Bulk Filing feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To set up a bulk filing, first access the *Start Filing* page. Then, complete the required fields for the first draft, followed by the next draft, and so forth. After you have prepared all of the drafts for a bulk filing, you can view the fees for each draft, and choose the party responsible for fees, along with the payment method, for each draft. When you are done, you can submit the bulk filing in its entirety.

A bulk filing must contain either all initial filings or all subsequent filings.

After a bulk filing has been created, you can add additional filings to the drafts by using the **Bulk Add Filings** feature.

Click  when the button is enabled on the *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page.

Dashboard

The Dashboard provides a drop-down list for filer actions.

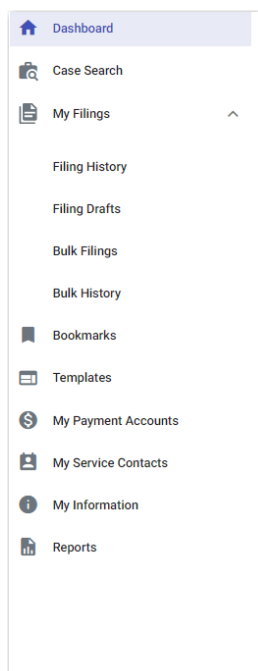


Figure 18.1 – Dashboard

From the Dashboard, you can perform the following additional actions for bulk filing:

- Access the *Dashboard* page to start an initial or subsequent bulk filing, view your bulk filing history, and view your bulk filing drafts.
- For subsequent bulk filings, you can add cases from the *Case Search* page.
- For subsequent bulk filings, you can add cases from the *Filing History* page.
- Access the *Bulk Drafts* page to view a list of your bulk draft filings.
- Access the *Bulk History* page to view a list of your bulk filings.

For information regarding the other options displayed on the Dashboard, refer to [Dashboard, page 29](#).

Bulk History

The *Bulk History* page includes the filing history for your bulk filings.

From the Dashboard menu, click **Bulk History**. From here, you can view a history of your bulk filings. You can also view the details for each case in the bulk filing.

The screenshot displays the 'Bulk History' page. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Bulk Number / Name, Status (radio buttons for All, Accepted, Cancelled, etc.), Location (dropdown), Case / Envelope Number, Sort By (Newest to Oldest), and Date Range (radio buttons for Anytime, Last Month, etc., and a custom range selector). The main content area has tabs for Filing History, Filing Drafts, Bulk History, and Bulk Drafts. It shows three bulk filing entries:

- Bulk # 242**: Started 06/24/2021 8:55 AM by Pro Se. Includes Case # CC-20-2697 (Submitted) and Case # CC-20-2041 (Submitted) for Pro Sev. Frederick & Sons.
- Bulk # 240**: Started 06/24/2021 8:36 AM by Pro Se. Includes Case # CC-20-2697 (Accepted).
- Bulk # 241**: Started 06/24/2021 8:42 AM by Pro Se. Includes Case # CC-20-1971 (Submitted).

Each entry includes a table with columns: Filing Status, Filing Code, Filing Type, Filing Description, and Client Ref #. There are also icons for details and deletion for each entry.

Figure 18.2 – Example of a Bulk History Page

Bulk Drafts

The *Bulk Drafts* page includes the drafts of your bulk filings.

On the Dashboard menu, click **Bulk Drafts**. From here, you can view a list of your bulk filing drafts, resume a bulk filing draft, or delete a bulk filing draft.

The screenshot shows a web interface for managing bulk filings. On the left, a sidebar titled 'Bulk Drafts Filter' contains several sections: 'Bulk Number / Name' with input fields for Bulk Number and Bulk Name; 'Location' with a dropdown menu set to 'Any Location'; 'Case / Draft Number' with input fields for Case Number and Draft Number; 'Sort By' with a dropdown set to 'Newest to Oldest'; and 'Date Range' with radio buttons for 'Anytime', 'Last Month', 'Last Week', 'Last Two Days', 'Today', and 'Pick a Custom Range', along with 'From Date' and 'To Date' input fields. At the bottom of the sidebar are 'Reset' and 'Filter' buttons. The main content area has a top navigation bar with tabs for 'Filing History', 'Filing Drafts', 'Bulk History', and 'Bulk Drafts'. Below this, the page title is 'Bulk # 411' with a '1 - 15 of 41' indicator. The main content lists several entries: 'Draft # 10155' (Location: OFS QA 2017), 'Draft # 10156' (Location: OFS QA 2018), and 'Draft # 10157' (Location: OFS QA 2018). Below these are 'Bulk # 410' (Draft # 10154, Location: OFS MockCMS) and 'Bulk # 409' (Draft # 10154, Location: OFS MockCMS). Each entry includes a timestamp and the filer's name. At the bottom, a pagination bar shows 'Previous', '1', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9', '10', '11', '12', '13', '14', 'Next', and '1 - 15 of 41'.

Figure 18.3 – Example of a Bulk Drafts Page

Starting Multiple New Case Filings

You can create filings for multiple cases, which you can then file as one bulk filing.

Note: The Bulk Filing feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To start multiple new case filings:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click

Start filing

The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

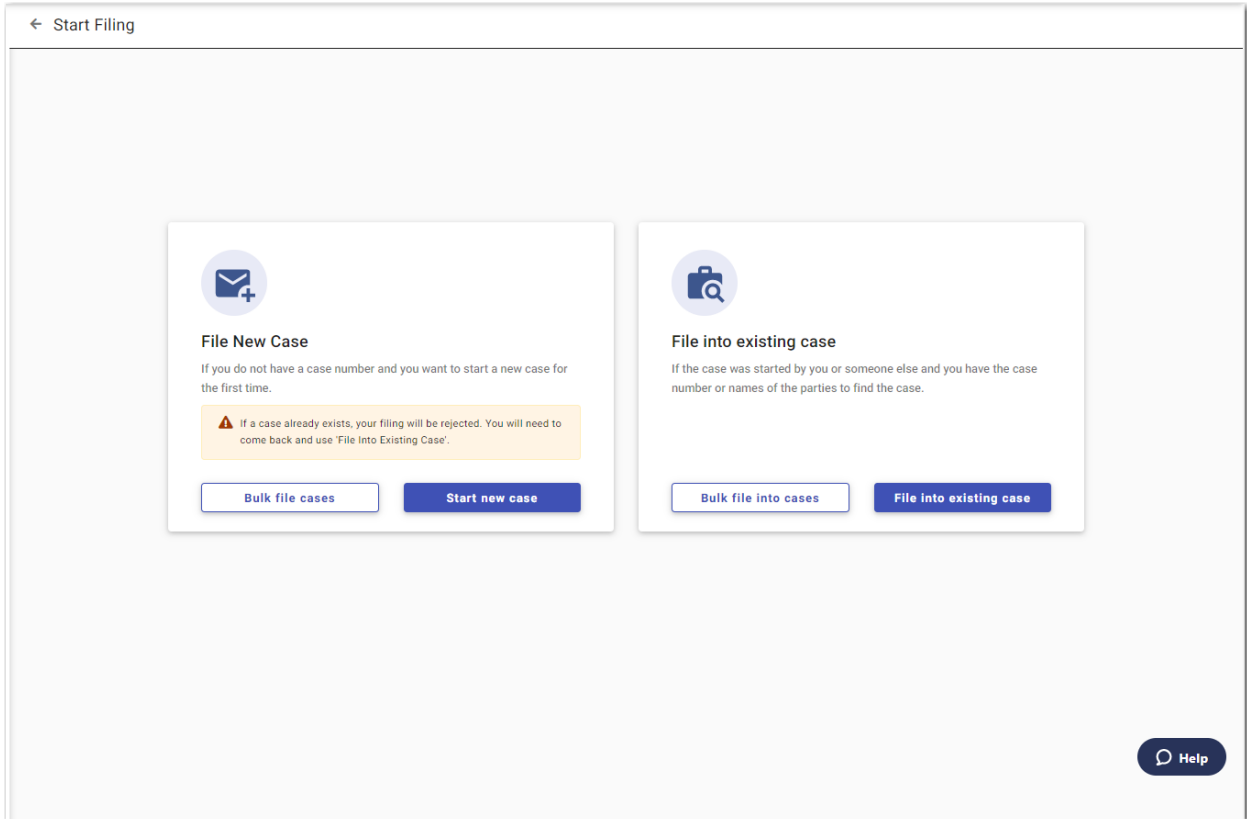
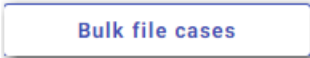


Figure 18.4 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .
The *Bulk Filing* window is displayed.

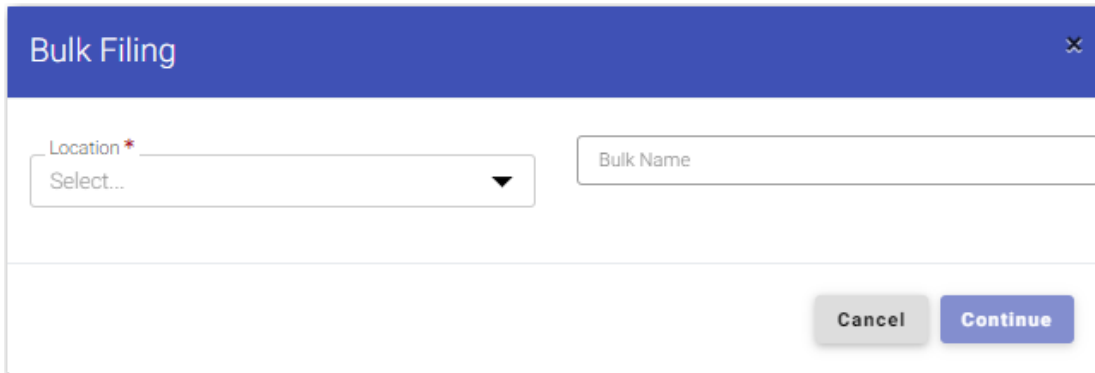



Figure 18.5 – Bulk Filing Window

3. Select the location from the **Location** drop-down list.
4. Type a name for the bulk filing, and then click  .
The *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page is displayed.

To add the same filing code(s) and document(s) to all the drafts in this bulk, click on Quick Action below.

If you wish to edit or add details to a specific draft, you may do so.

Bulk # 425 - Wednesday Test

2 draft(s) of 100 maximum.

Draft # 10308

Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Civil	Case Type Other Civil
Filing Code Abstract Of Judgment	Filing Type eFile Only	Filing Description Client Ref #

Draft # 10309

Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Family	Case Type Division Of Property
Filing Code Abstract Of Judgment	Filing Type eFile Only	Filing Description Client Ref #

2 draft(s) of 100 maximum.

Quick Actions

Bulk Add Filings

Add Draft (2 of 100)

Save Draft and Exit

Fees →

Figure 18.6 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard

Note: If you have not completed the required fields for a filing, the following error message is displayed in the Draft pane: “Filing needs attention.” If this message is displayed, you must resume your draft filing and complete the required fields.

5. Click

Add Draft (0 of 100)

Note: If there is a limit configured for the maximum number of drafts, then the number is displayed on the Add Draft button. The number reflects which draft filing you are about to add (for example, “2 of 100”).

The *Case Information* page is displayed.

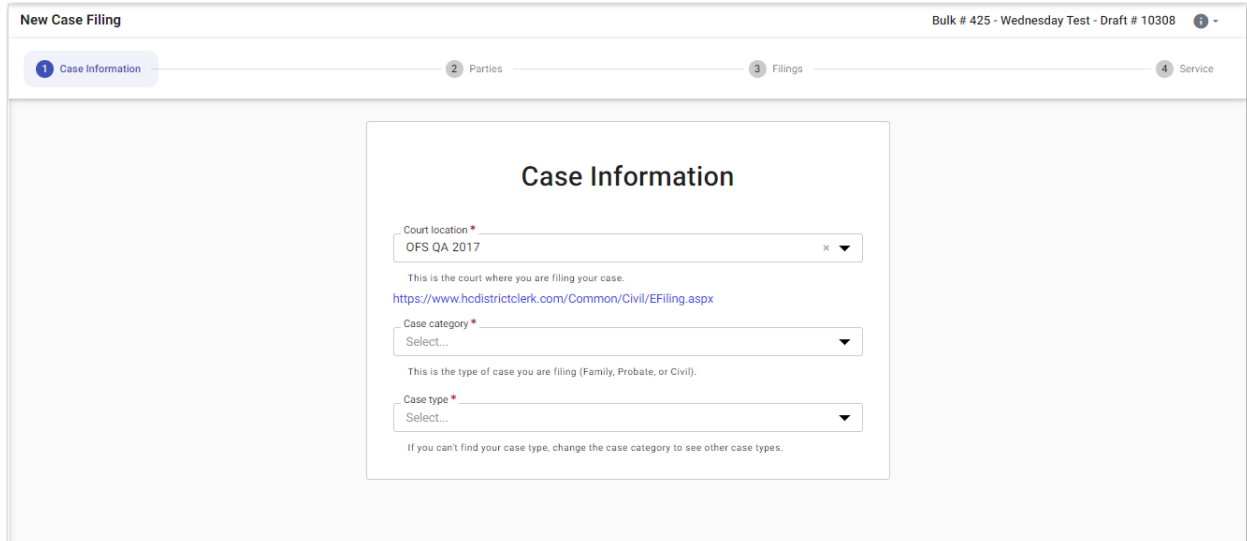
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Entering Case Information for a Bulk Filing

Before you can start a bulk filing, you must set up a payment account.



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Case Information

Court location *
OFS QA 2017

This is the court where you are filing your case.
<https://www.hcdistrictclerk.com/Common/Civil/EFiling.aspx>

Case category *
Select...

This is the type of case you are filing (Family, Probate, or Civil).

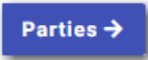
Case type *
Select...

If you can't find your case type, change the case category to see other case types.

Figure 18.7 – Example of a Case Information Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter case information:

1. Select the location from the **Court Location** drop-down list.
2. Select the case category from the **Case Category** drop-down list.
3. Select the case type from the **Case Type** drop-down list.
4. Complete the other fields, as applicable.
5. Click  to save your work and to continue.

Entering Party Details for a Bulk Filing

Each bulk filing requires a party type.

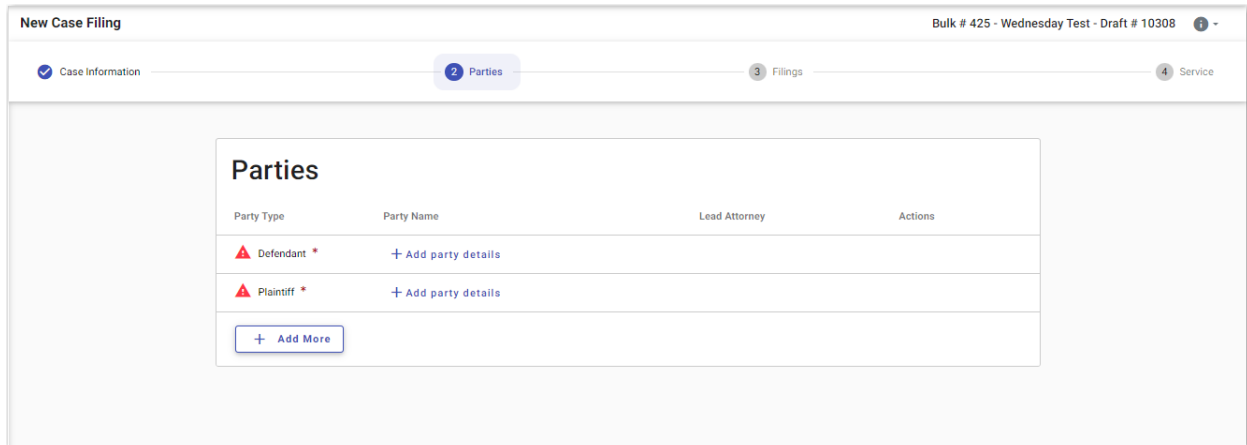


Figure 18.8 – Example of a Parties Page in a Bulk Filing

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the details for the parties involved in the case:

1. On the *Parties* page, select the party type that you want to begin to describe, and then click




The *Edit Party Details* window for the specified party is displayed.

Figure 18.9 – Example of the Edit Party Details Window

2. Click either **Person** or **Entity**.

Note: The following steps describe the fields that are displayed if you select “Person.”

3. If you are the first party, select **I Am This Party**.
4. In the Party Information pane, complete the **First Name**, **Middle Name** (if applicable), and **Last Name** fields. Also, if appropriate, select the party’s suffix from the **Suffix** drop-down list.
5. Type the party’s date of birth in the **Date of Birth** field, or click  to select the date from the calendar.
6. Type the party case management system ID in the **Party CMS ID** field, if appropriate.
7. Select a language from the **Interpreter** drop-down list, if appropriate.
8. Select the type of driver’s license from the **Drivers License Type** drop-down list.
9. Select the state where the driver’s license was issued from the **Drivers License State** drop-down list.
10. Type the party’s driver’s license number in the **Drivers License Number** field.
11. Type the party’s Social Security number in the **Social Security Number** field.

Note: After you type the Social Security number, asterisks are displayed to hide the number.

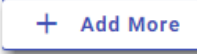
12. Select the party’s gender from the **Gender** drop-down list.

13. In the Contact Information pane, enter the country, address, city, state, ZIP code, and phone number for the specified party.

14. In the Attorney Information pane, from the **Lead Attorney** drop-down list, select **Pro Se** for the filing attorney.

15. After all of the required fields for the specified party are completed, click .

16. On the *Parties* page, complete the party information for the next party.

17. If you have another party to add to the case, click , and complete the party information for the additional party. Continue to add parties until all of the necessary parties have been added to the case.

18. Click  to save your work and to continue.

Entering Filing Details for a Bulk Filing

The **Filings** section allows you to enter the details for a bulk filing.

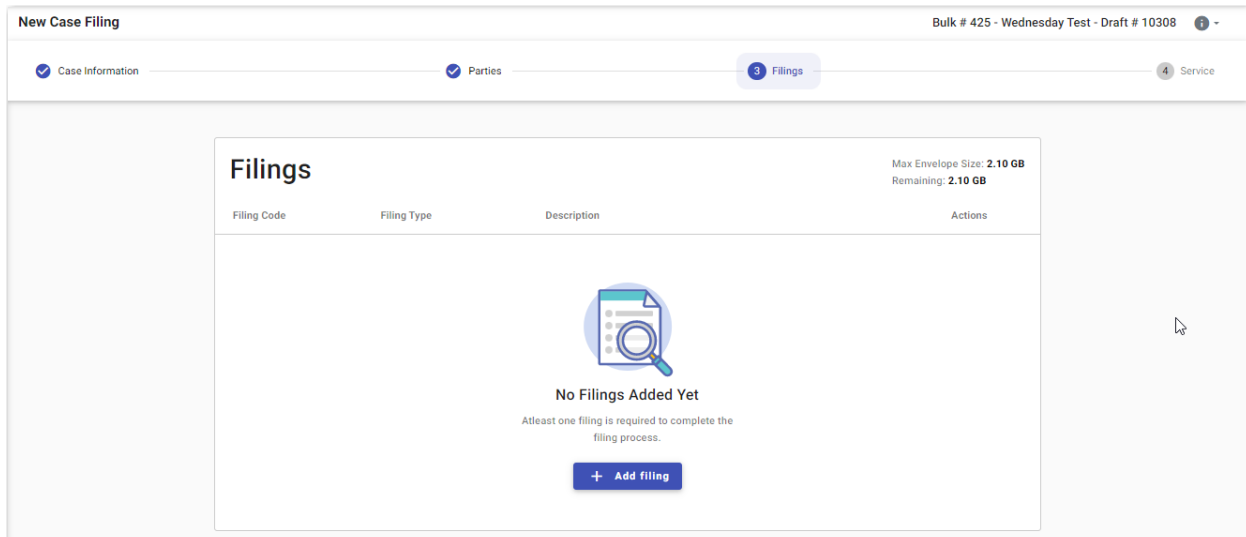


Figure 18.10 – Example of a Filings Page

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the details for a bulk filing:

1. On the *Filings* page, click .

The *Edit Filing Details* page is displayed.

Figure 18.11 – Edit Filing Details Page

2. In the Filing Type pane, select the filing type option.
3. In the Filing Information pane, select the filing code from the **Filing Code** drop-down list.
4. Type a client reference number in the **Client Reference Number** field.
5. Type a description in the **Filing Description** field.
6. If you have any comments for the court regarding the filing, type them in the **Comments to Court** field.
7. In the **Filing on behalf of** section, from the drop-down list, select the parties that you want to associate with the filing.

Select files

8. In the Upload Documents pane, click . Then, select the document that you want to upload.

Note: The filing code that you enter determines the name of the Type that is displayed in the Upload Documents pane. You may see a Type other than “Lead Document” and “Attachments.”

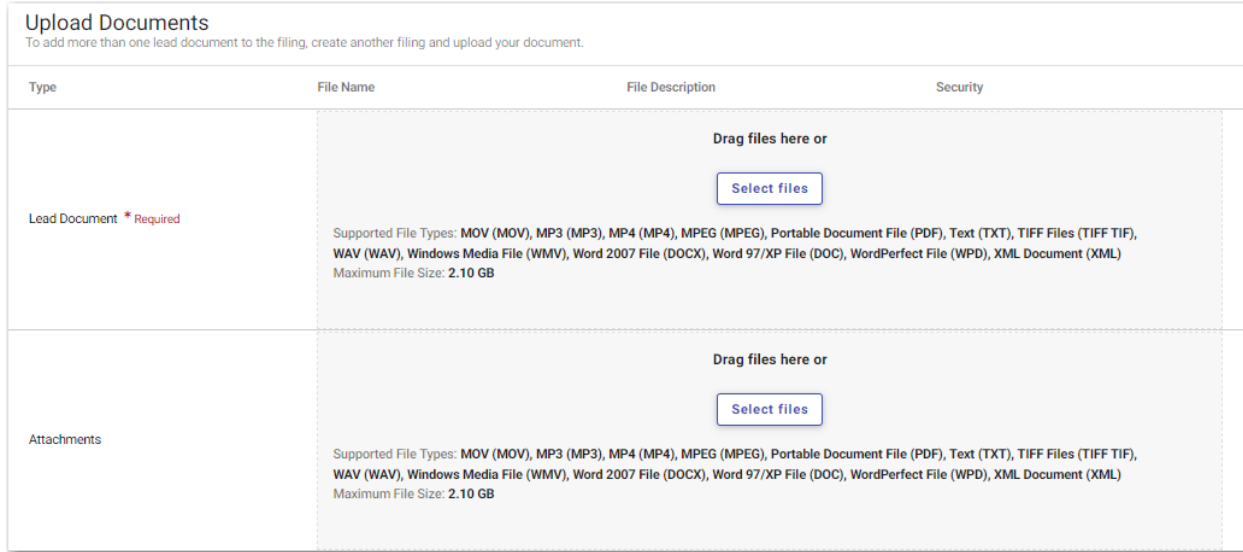
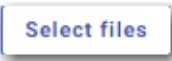


Figure 18.12 – Upload Documents Pane

9. If you have attachments to add to the filing, click  in the **Attachments** section. Then, upload the specified attachments.
10. If you want to add security to any of the documents, select an option from the **Security** drop-down list.
11. To add additional services, click **Additional Services**.

The Additional Services pane is displayed.

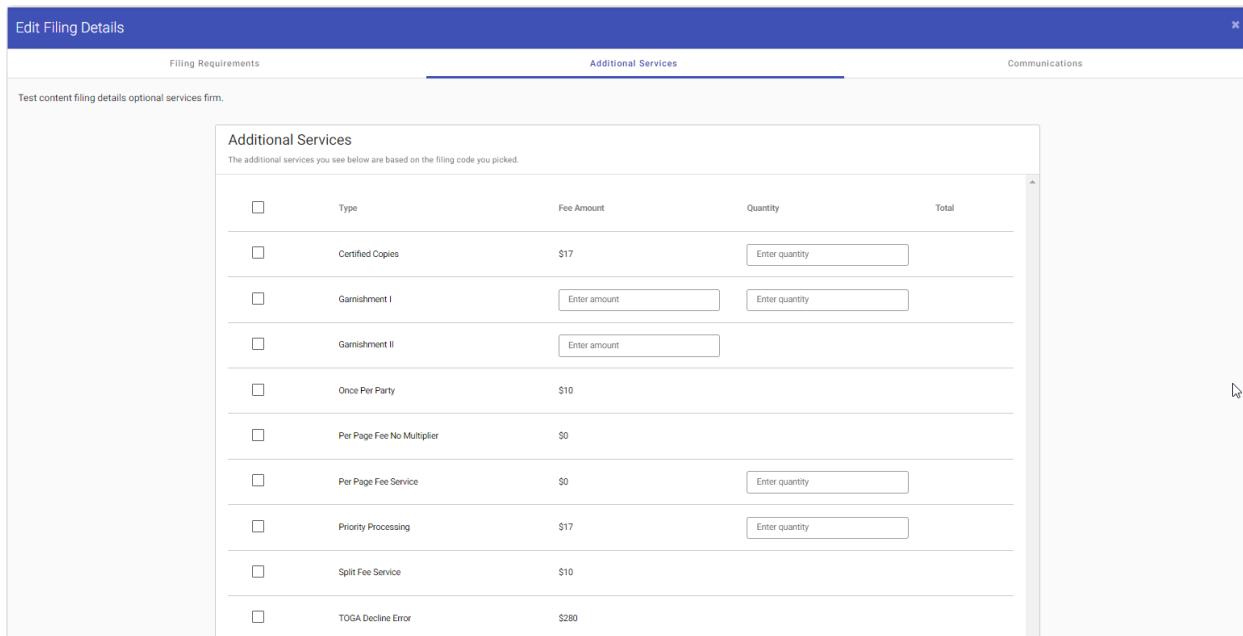


Figure 18.13 – Additional Services Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

12. Select the additional services that you want to add. Also, if applicable, type the fee amount and/or select the quantity of the specified service.

13. Click **Go to Communication**, or click **Communications** at the top of the page.

The Communications pane is displayed.

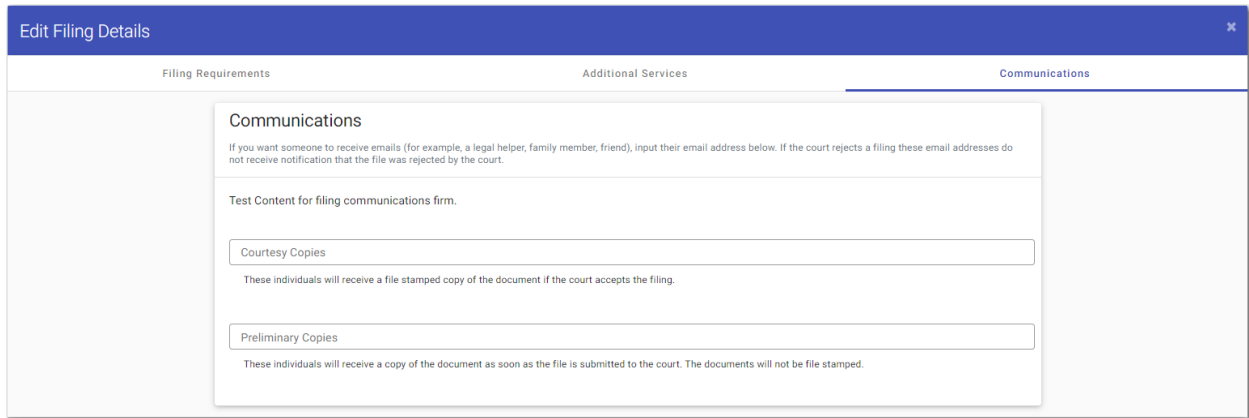


Figure 18.14 – Communications Pane on the Edit Filing Details Page

14. Type a valid email address to specify the recipient of the courtesy or preliminary copies.

15. Click **Save**.

16. If you want to add another filing, on the *Filings* page, click **+ Add More**. Then, repeat the same steps for the next filing.

17. Click **Service →** to save your work and to continue.

Entering Payment Information for a Bulk Filing

Enter the payment information for your bulk filing on the *Bulk Fees* page.

Note: You must create a payment account before you can complete your bulk filing.

Bulk # 429 - Test3

After filling in the required fields, click on "CALCULATE FEES" at the bottom of the page. To view the fee details on individual drafts, click on "FEE DETAILS".

Apply Payment Account to All Drafts
 Select... Apply to All*

* Payment accounts may be restricted at some locations

Draft # 10345
 Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Civil Case Type: Other Civil
 Payment Account * Select... Party Responsible for Fees * Select... Search
 Filer Type Select...

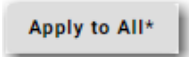
Draft # 10346
 Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Family Case Type: Division Of Property
 Payment Account * Select... Party Responsible for Fees * Select... Search
 Filer Type Select...

← Bulk Dashboard Save Draft and Exit Calculate Fees Summary →

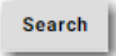
Figure 18.15 – Example of a Bulk Fees Page—Blank Fields

Note: While you are entering a case filing, click  to view the case number or draft number.

To enter the payment information for your bulk filing:

1. Select the payment account from the **Apply Payment Account to All Drafts** drop-down list. Then, click  to apply the selected payment account to all of the drafts in the bulk.

Note: If you do not want to apply the same payment account to all of the drafts in the bulk, you must select the payment account for each individual draft.

2. For each draft, select the party responsible for fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list. Click  if you want to search for a party.

Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the **Party Responsible for Fees** field.

3. For each draft, select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

Bulk # 429 - Test3

After filling in the required fields, click on "CALCULATE FEES" at the bottom of the page. To view the fee details on individual drafts, click on "FEE DETAILS".

Apply Payment Account to All Drafts
Pro se Discover

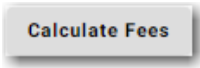
* Payment accounts may be restricted at some locations

Draft # 10345
Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Civil Case Type: Other Civil
Payment Account: Pro se Discover Party Responsible for Fees: Henry Ford
Filer Type: Default

Draft # 10346
Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Family Case Type: Division Of Property
Payment Account: Pro se Discover Party Responsible for Fees: Patty Smith
Filer Type: Default

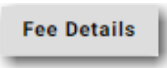
Figure 18.16 – Example of a Bulk Fees Page—Completed Fields

4. When all of the fields on the page have been completed, click



The **Fee Details** button is displayed.

5. Click



The *Fee Details* window is displayed.

Fee Details	
Case Initiation Fee	
Other Civil	\$5.00
Filing Fee	
Abstract Of Judgment	\$5.00
Filing Fee	
Action - Initial Only	\$5.00
Filing Fee	
Abstract Of Judgment	\$5.00
Service Fees	
Total Service Fees	\$31.25
Convenience Fee	\$1.31
Total Court Service Fees	\$1.00

[Close](#)

Figure 18.17 – Example of a Fee Details Window

6. Review the filing fees, and then click [Summary →](#).

Viewing the Envelope Summary for a Bulk Filing

The envelope summary for a bulk filing provides a summary of case information, such as the location of the filing, the parties involved in the case, filing details, fees, and payments for the case.

The party, filings, and fees information must be complete before you can view the envelope summary.

To view the envelope summary for a bulk filing:

1. Complete the required information on the *Case Information* page, the *Parties* page, the *Filings* page, and the *Bulk Fees* page.

2. After you have completed the fields on each page, from the *Bulk Fees* page, click [Summary →](#).

The *Bulk Summary* page is displayed.

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Submission Agreements *

I agree that this filing is in compliance with the [Rules for E-Filing](#)

You must accept the Submission Agreements.

Draft # 10308			
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Civil	Case Type Other Civil	
Draft # 10309			
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Family	Case Type Division Of Property	

[← Fees](#)
[Save Draft and Exit](#)
[Submit](#)

Figure 18.18 – Example of a Bulk Summary Page—Submission Agreements Not Accepted

3. If there are submission agreements for your bulk filing, select the appropriate check boxes for the submission agreements.
4. Review the summary of the bulk filing. After you are satisfied with the information in your bulk filing, click



Bulk # 425 - Wednesday Test

Bulk submission is complete. [Bulk History](#) [Dashboard](#)

OFS QA 2017

Draft # 10308			✓
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Civil	Case Type Other Civil	
Draft # 10309			✓
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Family	Case Type Division Of Property	

[← Fees](#)
[Save Draft and Exit](#)
[Submit](#)

Figure 18.19 – Example of a Bulk Summary Page After Filing is Submitted

5. Click [Bulk History](#) to return to the *Bulk History* page, or click [Dashboard](#) to return to the *Dashboard* page.

Associating Parties to a Bulk Filing

You can associate parties to a bulk filing.

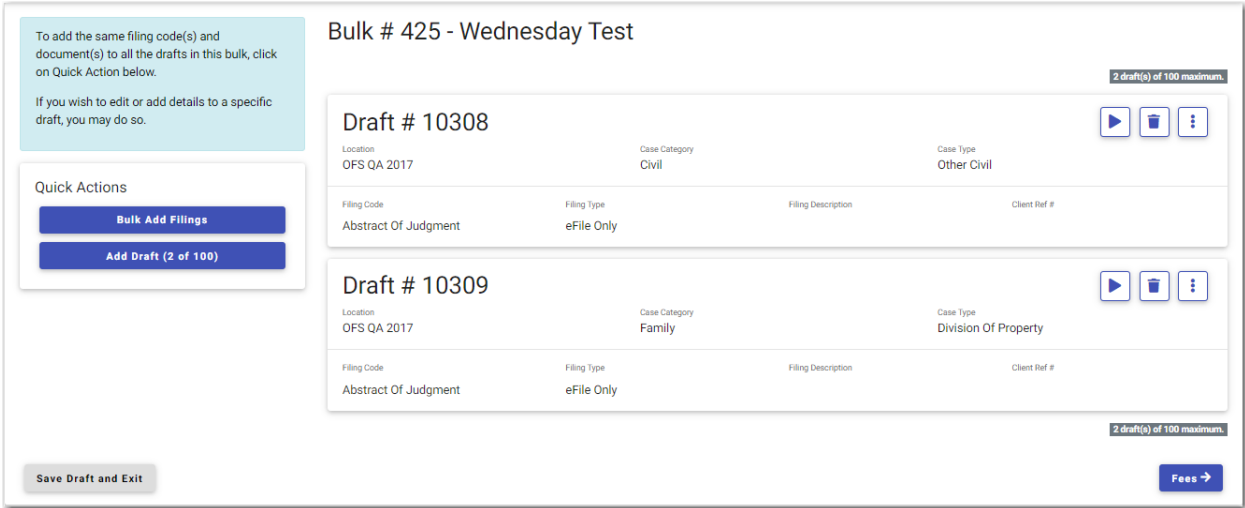


Figure 18.20 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page

To associate parties to a bulk filing:

- 1. On the *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page in the Quick Actions pane, click



The *Bulk Add Filings* page is displayed.

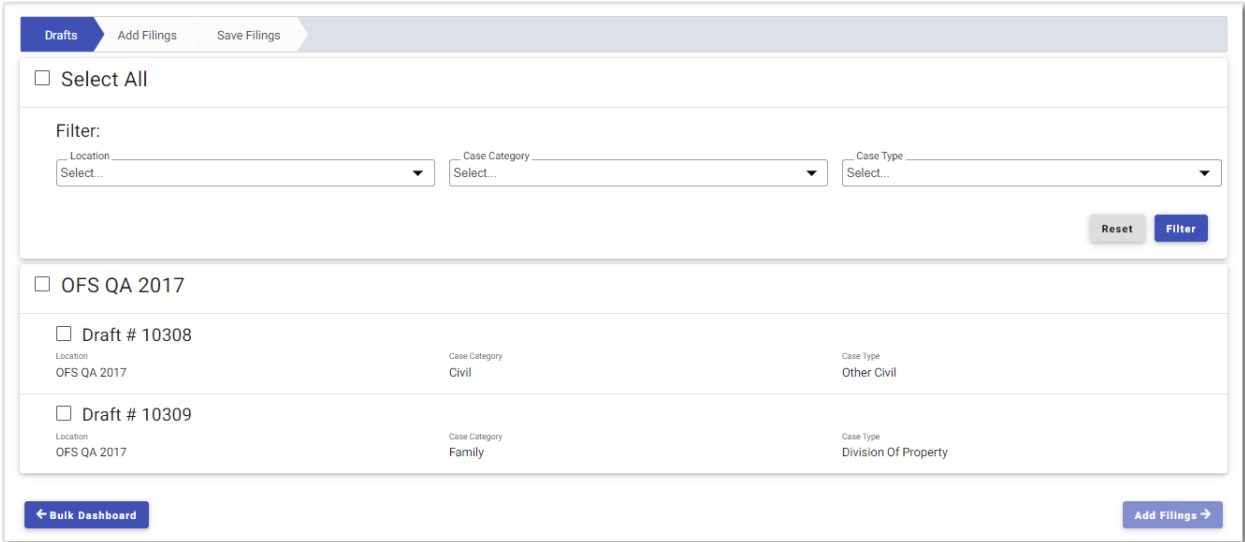
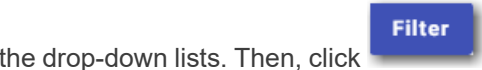
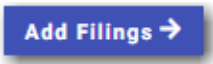


Figure 18.21 – Example of a Drafts Tab

- 2. On the **Drafts** tab, if you want to filter the drafts, select the location, case category, and case type from



3. Select the check boxes for the filings that you want to add to your selected drafts. If you want to add all of the filings, select the **Select All** check box.



4. Click .

The **Add Filings** tab is displayed.

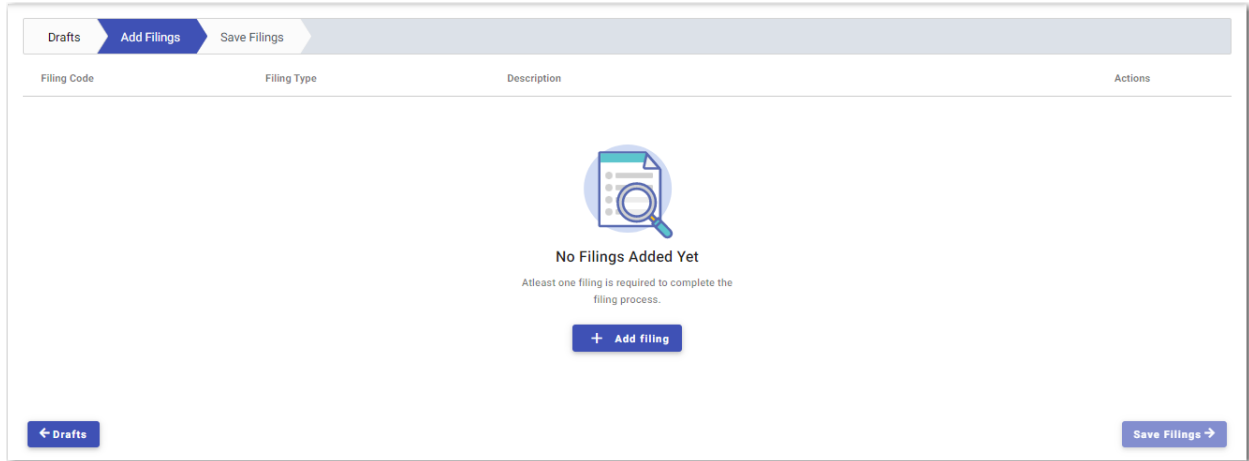
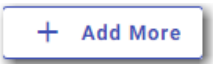


Figure 18.22 – Example of an Add Filings Tab—No Filings Added Yet



5. Click .

The next page is displayed.



6. Click . Continue to click the button until all of the filings have been added.



7. Click .

The **Save Filings** tab is displayed.

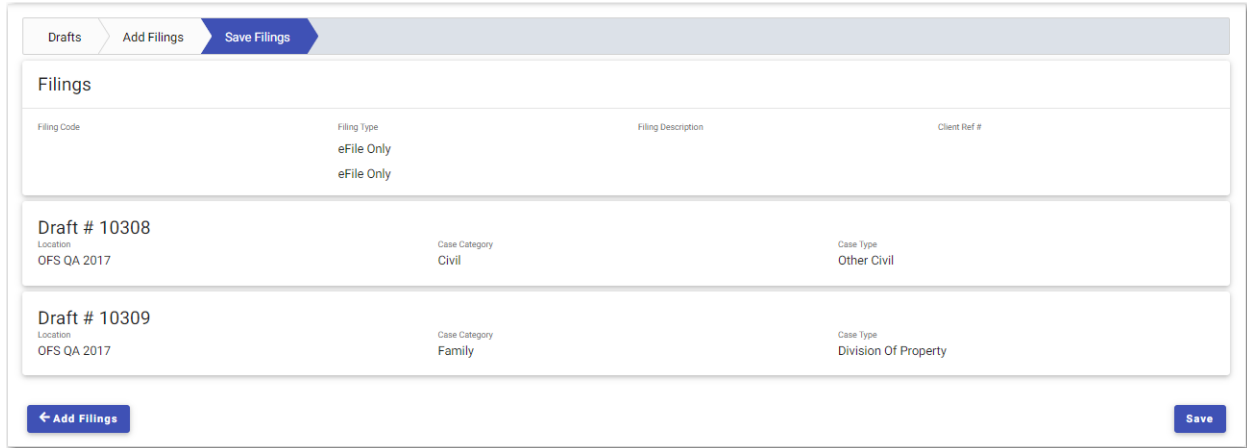

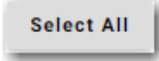

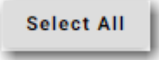




Figure 18.23 – Example of a Save Filings Tab

8. On the **Save Filings** tab, click  .
The **Associate Parties** button is displayed for each filing.
9. Click **Associate Parties**.
The *Select Filings* window is displayed.
10. Select the check boxes for the filing codes that you want to add, or click  . Then, click **Select**.
The *Associate Parties to selected Filing(s)* window is displayed.
11. If you want to filter the parties that you want to associate with the filing, type the first and last name of the specified party; and select the party type from the **Party Type** drop-down list. Then, click  .
12. Select the check box for the filing that you want to associate with the added party, or click  .
13. Click  , and then click  .
The parties are now associated with the specified bulk filing. The *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page is displayed with the bulk filing you just modified.

Filing into a Bulk Filing That Contains Multiple Existing Cases

You can file into a bulk filing that already contains multiple existing cases.

Note: The Bulk Filing feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To file into a bulk filing that already contains multiple existing cases:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click .
The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

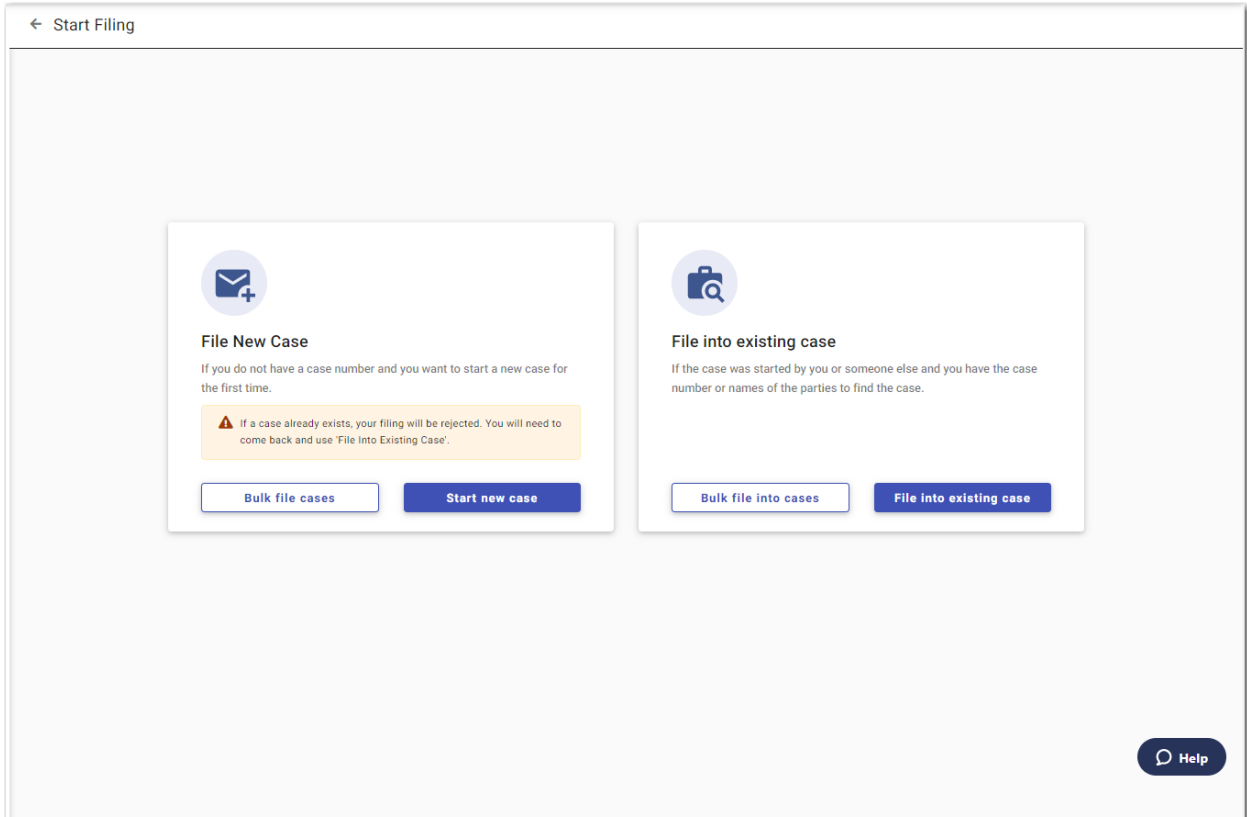

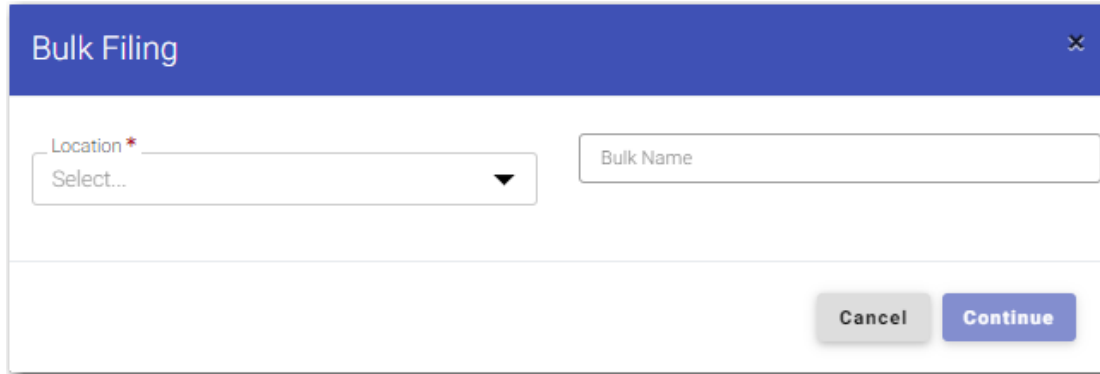


Figure 18.24 – Start Filing Page


2. Click .
The *Bulk Filing* window is displayed.



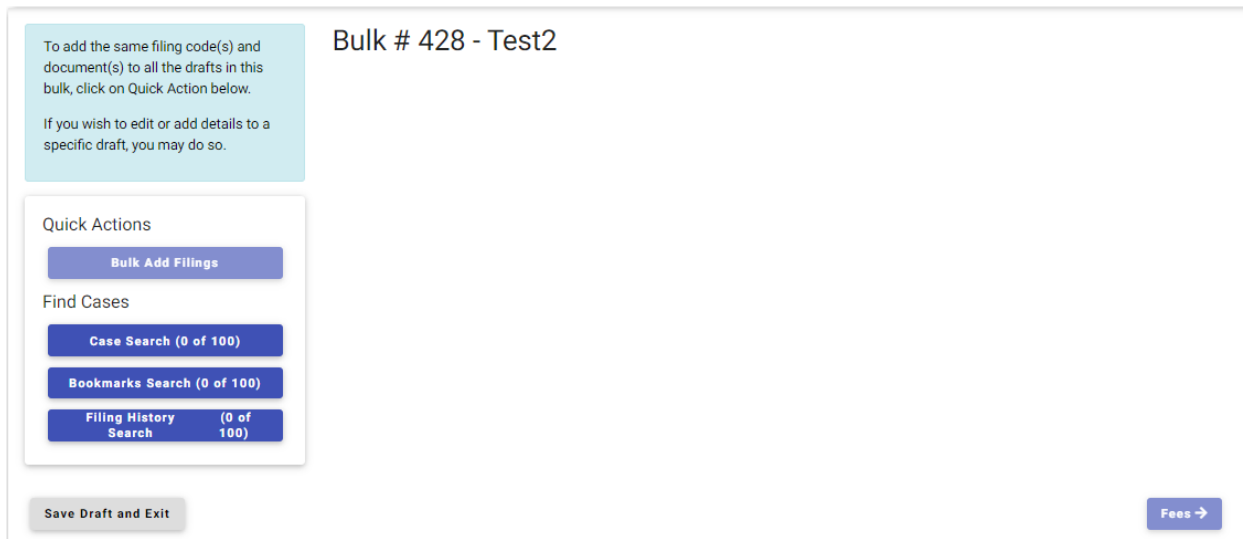
The image shows a 'Bulk Filing' window with a blue header. Below the header, there is a 'Location' dropdown menu with a red asterisk and a 'Select...' option, and a 'Bulk Name' text input field. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Continue' buttons.

Figure 18.25 – Bulk Filing Window

3. Select the location from the **Location** drop-down list.

4. Type the name of the bulk filing that you want to file into, and then click .

The *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page is displayed.



The image shows a 'Bulk Filing Dashboard' page for 'Bulk # 428 - Test2'. On the left, there is a light blue box with instructions: 'To add the same filing code(s) and document(s) to all the drafts in this bulk, click on Quick Action below. If you wish to edit or add details to a specific draft, you may do so.' Below this is a 'Quick Actions' pane with buttons for 'Bulk Add Filings', 'Find Cases', 'Case Search (0 of 100)', 'Bookmarks Search (0 of 100)', and 'Filing History Search (0 of 100)'. At the bottom left is a 'Save Draft and Exit' button, and at the bottom right is a 'Fees' button with a right arrow.

Figure 18.26 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page

5. In the Quick Actions pane, select the method by which you want to search for the cases that you want to add to your bulk filing—**Case Search**, **Bookmarks Search**, or **Filing History Search**.
6. Click the button for the method you selected, and then follow the prompts for that method.

Filing into Multiple Existing Cases by Using the Bookmark Search

You can file into a bulk filing that you have bookmarked and that already contains multiple existing cases.

Note: The Bulk Filing feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To file into multiple existing cases by using the Bookmark search:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click .
The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

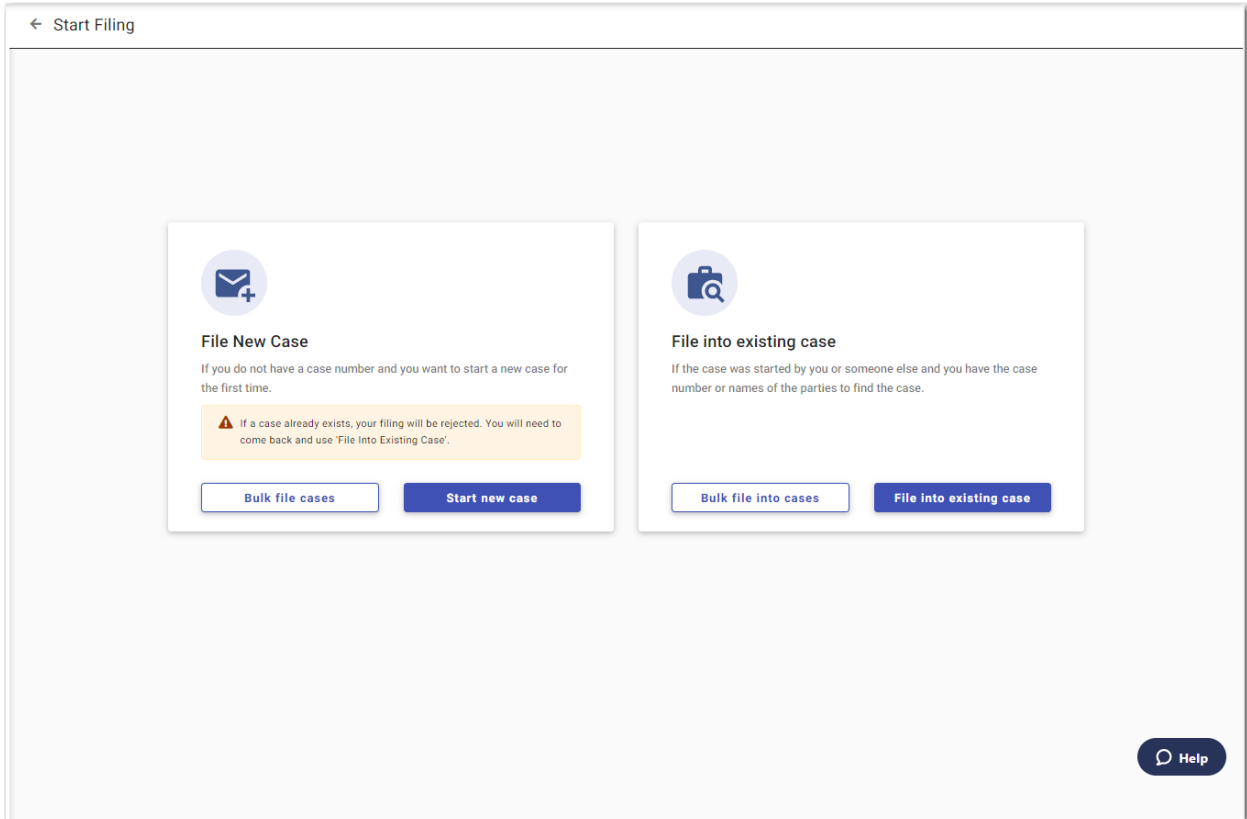


Figure 18.27 – Start Filing Page

2. Click .
The *Bulk Filing* window is displayed.

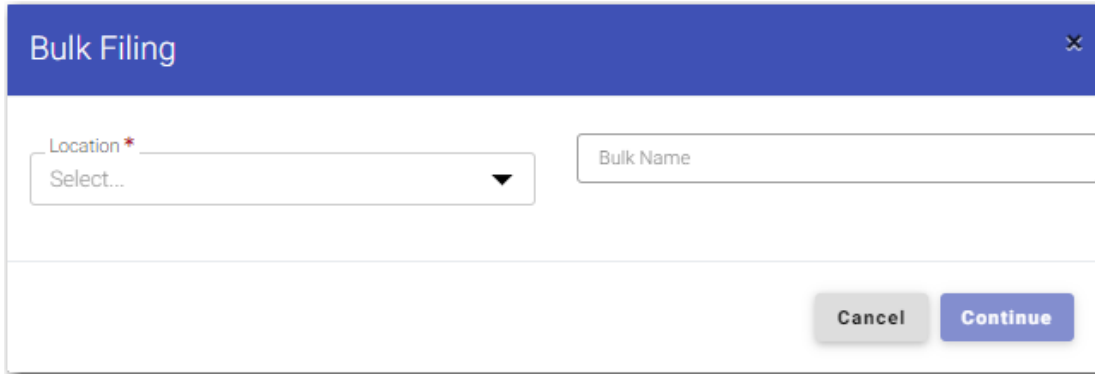


Figure 18.28 – Bulk Filing Window

3. Select the location from the **Location** drop-down list.



4. Type the name of the bulk filing that you want to file into, and then click

The *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page is displayed.

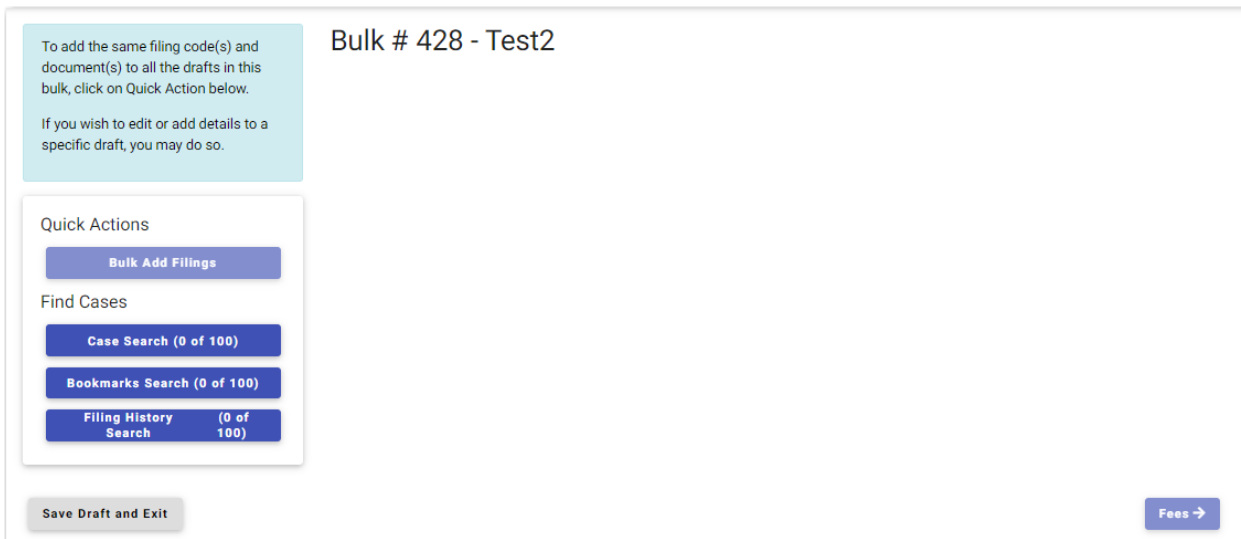


Figure 18.29 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page

5. In the Quick Actions pane, click



The *Bookmarks* window is displayed. If previous bulk filings were bookmarked, they are displayed in the window.

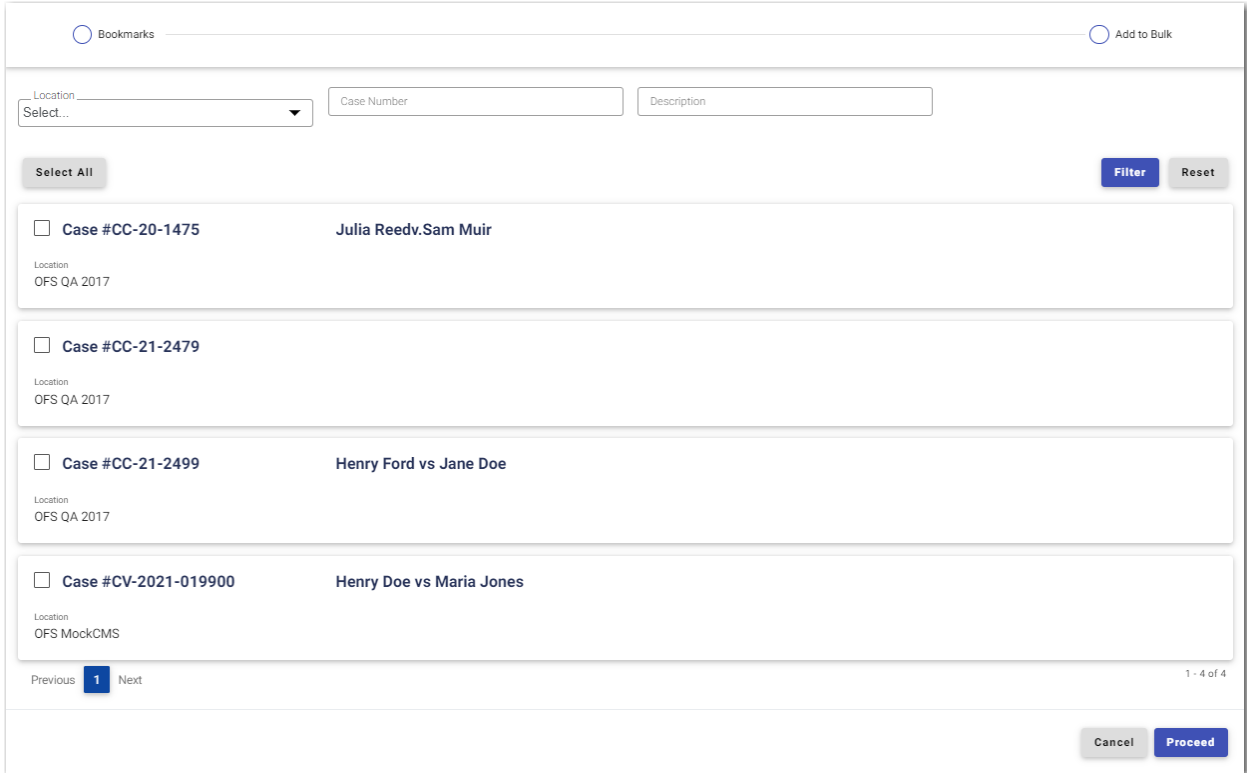


Figure 18.30 – Example of a Bookmarks Window

6. Select the bulk filing that you want to file into, and then click **Proceed**.

Note: If your bulk filing is not displayed in the *Bookmarks* window, you can search for the bulk filing that you want. Select the location from the Location drop-down list, and then type the case

number in the Case Number field. Then, click **Filter**.

The *Add to Bulk* window is displayed.

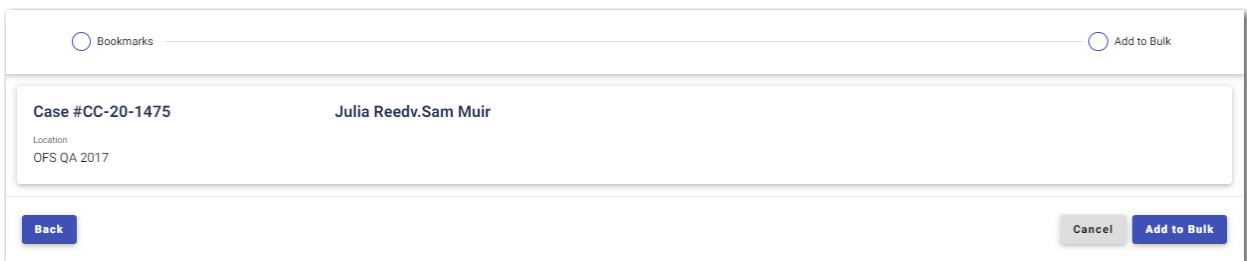


Figure 18.31 – Add to Bulk Window

7. Click **Add to Bulk**, and then click **Done**.

The case you selected is added to the bulk filing and is displayed on the *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page.

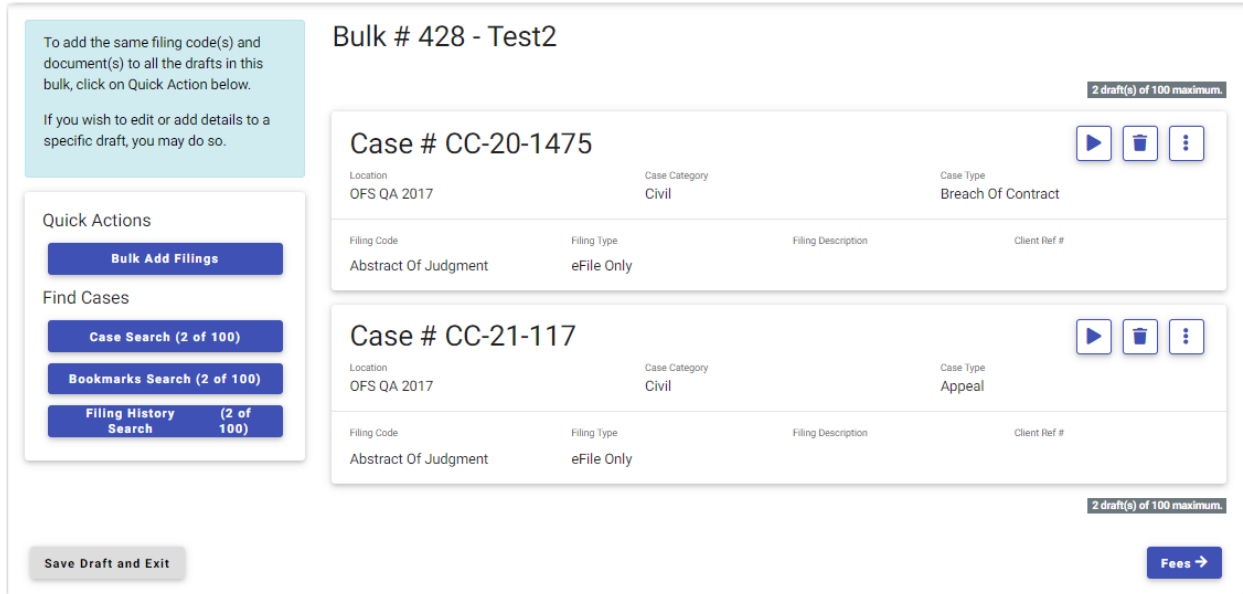


Figure 18.32 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page—Case Added to Bulk Filing

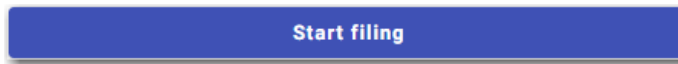
Filing into Multiple Existing Cases by Using a Case Search

You can file into a bulk filing that already contains multiple existing cases from the *Case Search* page.

Note: The Bulk Filing feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To file into multiple existing cases by using a case search:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click



The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

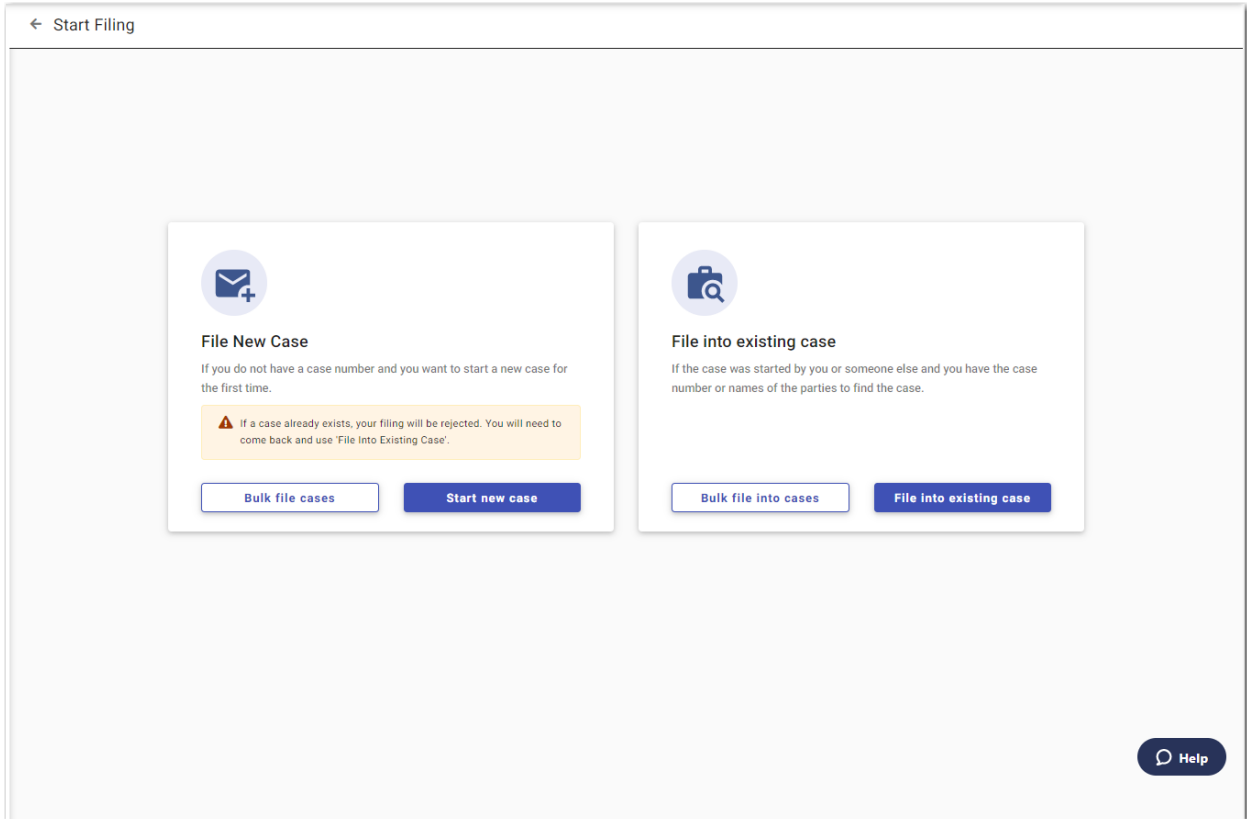


Figure 18.33 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .
The *Bulk Filing* window is displayed.

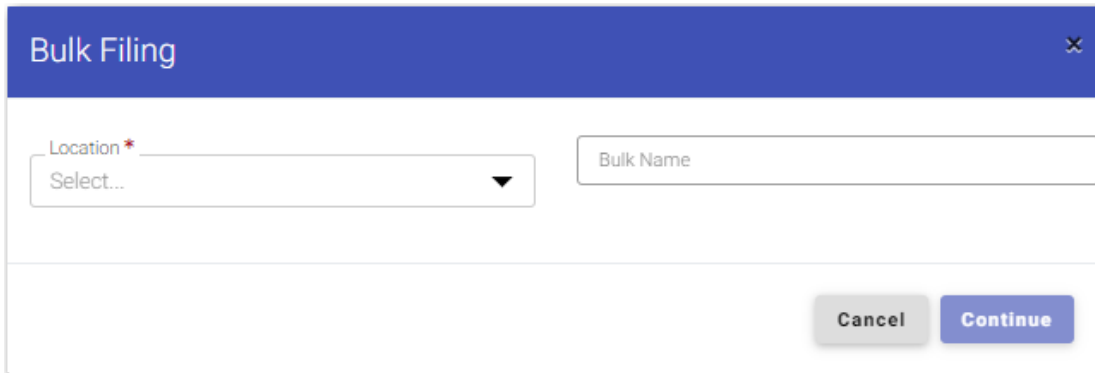



Figure 18.34 – Bulk Filing Window

3. Select the location from the **Location** drop-down list.
4. Type the name of the bulk filing that you want to file into, and then click  .
The *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page is displayed.

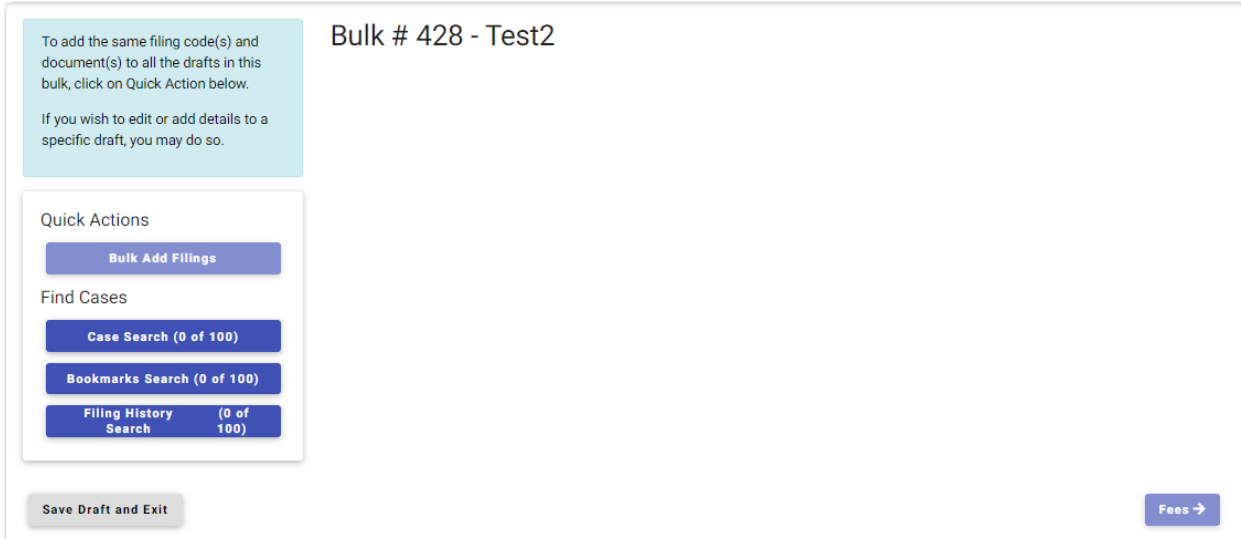


Figure 18.35 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page

5. In the Quick Actions pane, click



The *Case Search* window is displayed.

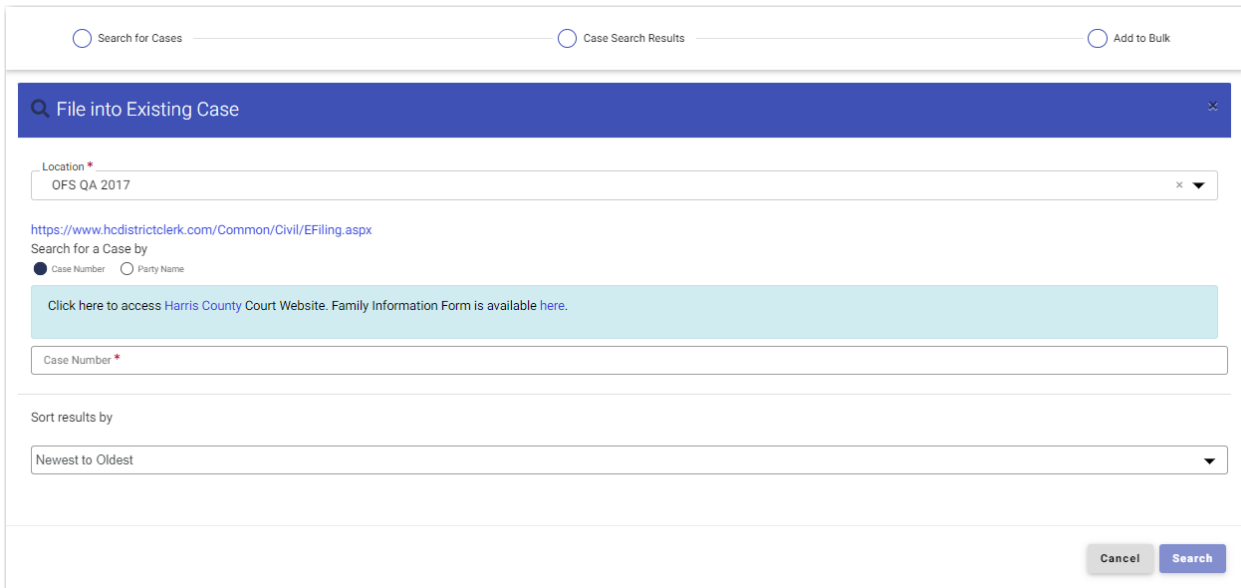


Figure 18.36 – Case Search Window

6. Select the location of the case that you want to find from the **Location** drop-down list.

7. Type the number for the case that you want to find, and then click



or press ENTER.

The *Case Search Results* window is displayed.

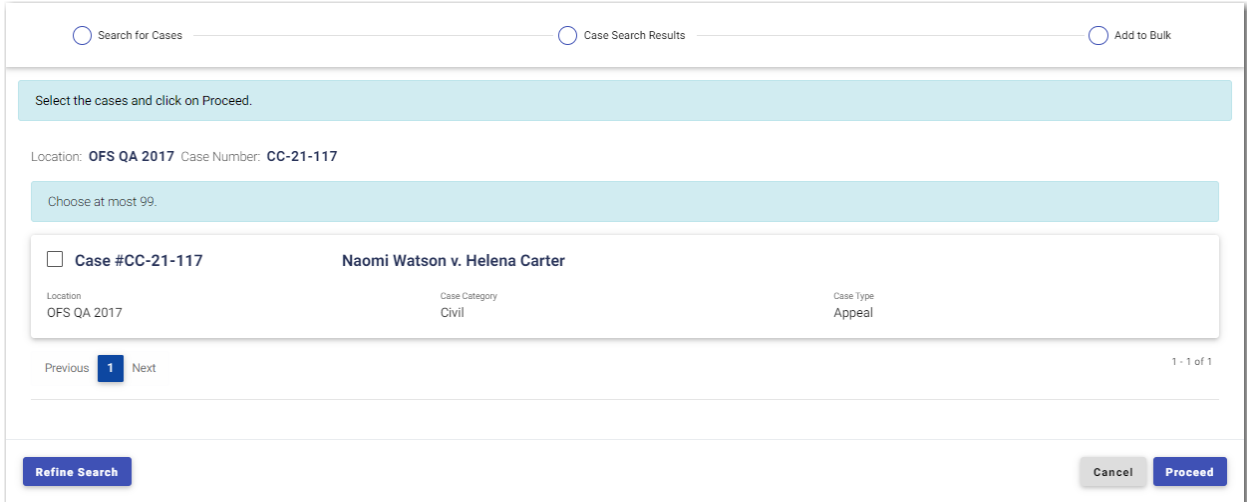


Figure 18.37 – Case Search Results Window

- If the case is the one that you want to add to the bulk filing, select the check box, and then click



The *Add to Bulk* window is displayed.

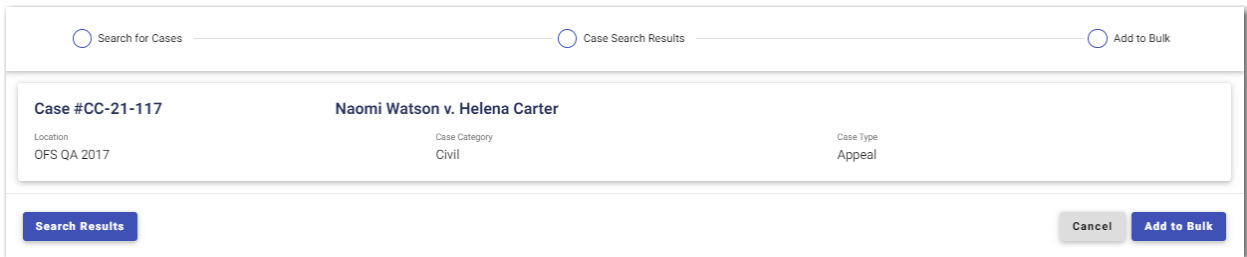
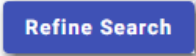


Figure 18.38 – Add to Bulk Window

Note: If the case that results from the search is not correct, click . Then search for your case again.

Note: If you do not click any cases in the *Case Search Results* window, you cannot proceed.

- If the case that results from your search is correct and you selected the check box for that case, click



, and then click



The case you selected is added to the bulk filing and is displayed on the *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page.

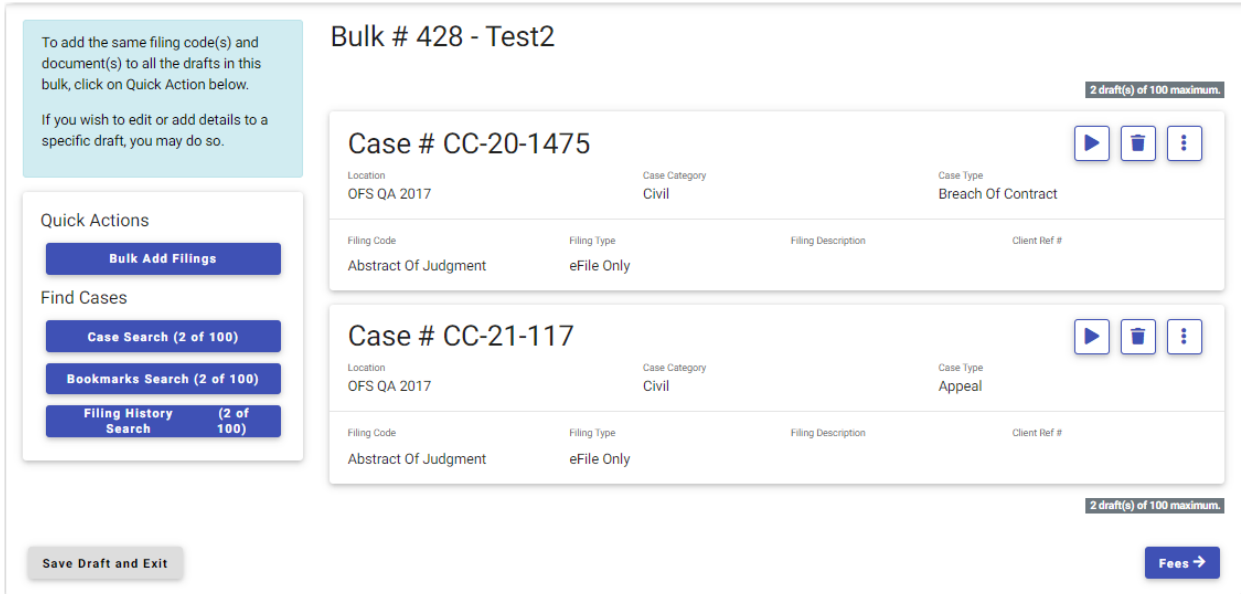


Figure 18.39 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page—Case Added to Bulk Filing

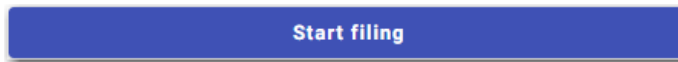
Filing into Multiple Existing Cases by Using a Filing History Search

You can file into a bulk filing by using a Filing History search.

Note: The Bulk Filing feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

To file into multiple existing cases by using a Filing History search:

1. On the *Dashboard* page, click



The *Start Filing* page is displayed.

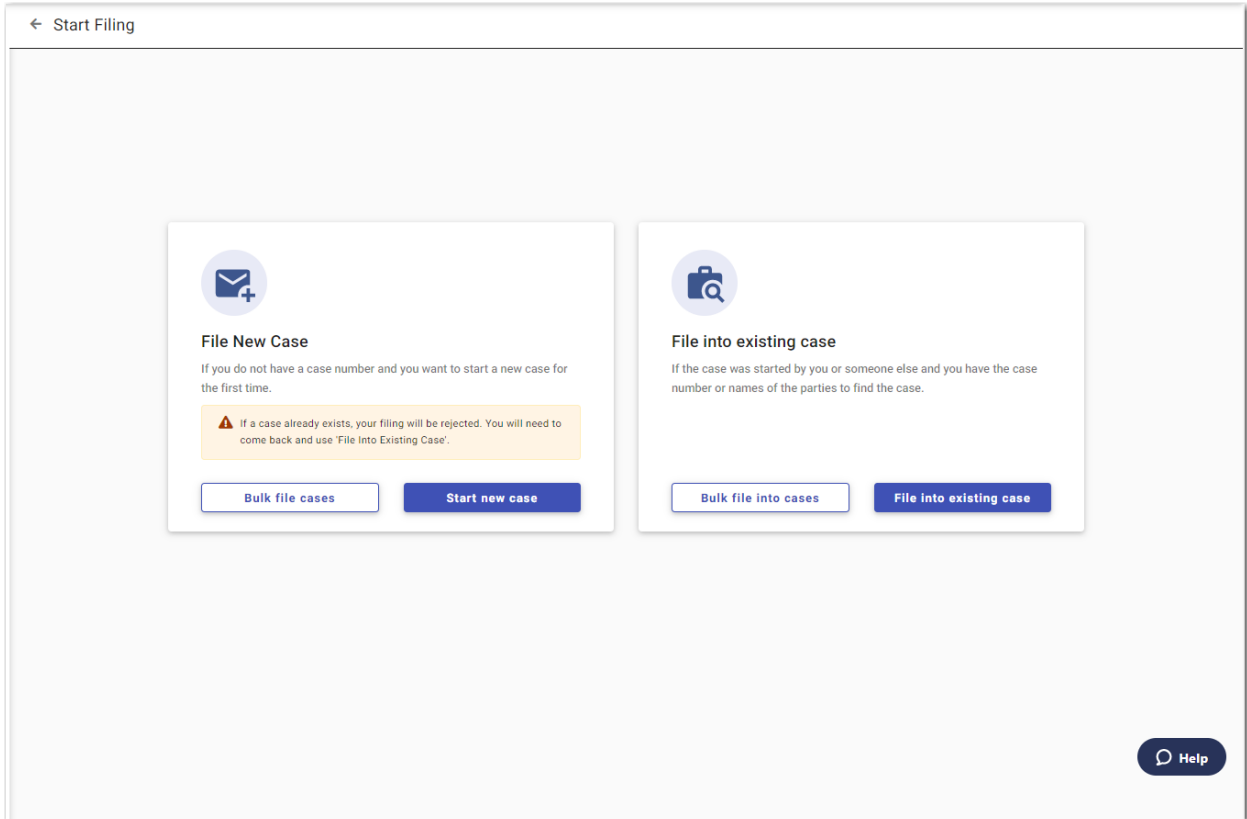



Figure 18.40 – Start Filing Page

2. Click  .
The *Bulk Filing* window is displayed.

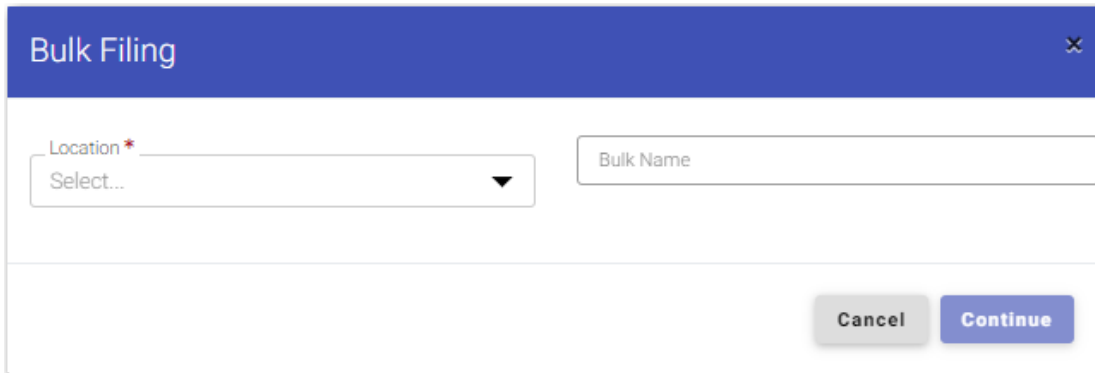



Figure 18.41 – Bulk Filing Window

3. Select the location from the **Location** drop-down list.
4. Type the name of the bulk filing that you want to file into, and then click  .
The *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page is displayed.

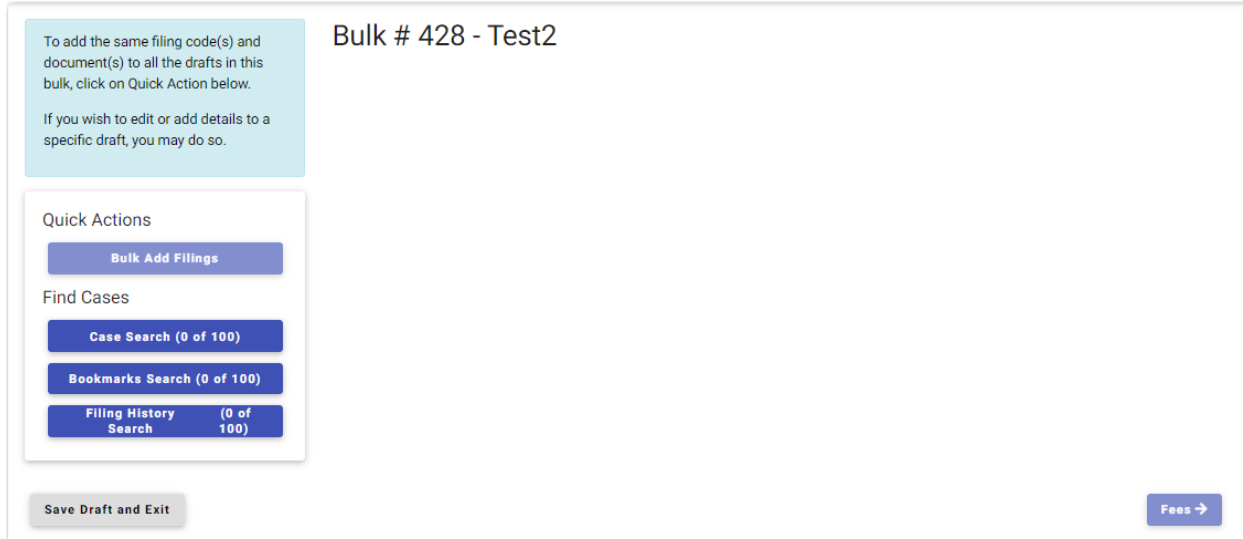



Figure 18.42 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page

5. In the Quick Actions pane, click . The *Filing History* window is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Filing History' window. At the top, there are radio buttons for 'Filing History' (selected) and 'Add to Bulk'. Below this are search filters: a 'Location' dropdown menu with 'Select...' as the current selection, a 'Case Number' text input field, and a 'Date Range' dropdown menu with 'Anytime' selected. A 'Select All' button is on the left, and 'Filter' and 'Reset' buttons are on the right. The main area contains a list of seven cases, each with a checkbox, case number, name, location, case category, and case type.

Case #	Name	Location	Case Category	Case Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Case #CC-22-684	Pro Se Filerv.James Weir	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Case #CC-20-1475	Julia Reedv.Sam Muir	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Case #CC-21-4204	Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Case #CC-21-3714	Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Appeal
<input type="checkbox"/> Case #CC-21-3514	john adams v. mary adams	OFS QA 2017 - Court at Law 2	Civil	Appeal
<input type="checkbox"/> Case #CC-21-1159		OFS QA 2018	Probate or Mental Health	Mental Health Evaluation
<input type="checkbox"/> Case #CC-21-1355		OFS QA 2017	Civil	Other Civil

Figure 18.43 – Example of a Filing History Window

6. Select the bulk filing that you want to file into, and then click  .
The *Add to Bulk* window is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Add to Bulk' window. It has the same header as Figure 18.43, with 'Filing History' selected and 'Add to Bulk' as an option. The list of cases is filtered to show only three cases. At the bottom, there are 'Back', 'Cancel', and 'Add to Bulk' buttons.

Case #	Name	Location	Case Category	Case Type
Case #CC-21-4204	Mark Smithv.Jefferson Estates	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract
Case #CC-20-1475	Julia Reedv.Sam Muir	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract
Case #CC-21-3714	Pro Se Filer v. Linda McCall	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Appeal

Figure 18.44 – Add to Bulk Window

Note: If your bulk filing is not displayed in the *Filing History* window, you can search for the bulk filing that you want. First, select the location from the *Location* drop-down list. Then, type the

case number in the **Case Number** field, and then select the date range for the filings that you want to be displayed. Then, click **Filter**.

7. Click **Add to Bulk**, and then click **Done**.

The case you selected is added to the bulk filing and is displayed on the *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page.

The screenshot shows the 'Bulk # 428 - Test2' dashboard. On the left, there are 'Quick Actions' (Bulk Add Filings) and 'Find Cases' (Case Search (2 of 100), Bookmarks Search (2 of 100), Filing History Search (2 of 100)). A 'Save Draft and Exit' button is at the bottom left, and a 'Fees' button is at the bottom right. The main area displays two cases:

Case # CC-20-1475			
Location	Case Category	Case Type	
OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract	
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment	eFile Only		

Case # CC-21-117			
Location	Case Category	Case Type	
OFS QA 2017	Civil	Appeal	
Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment	eFile Only		

Each case card includes a '2 draft(s) of 100 maximum.' indicator and action icons (play, trash, menu).

Figure 18.45 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard Page—Case Added to Bulk Filing

Copying a Bulk Filing

You can copy a bulk filing if one or more envelopes in the bulk filing failed to be submitted successfully.

To copy a bulk filing:

1. Navigate to the *Bulk History* page or the *Bulk Drafts* page.
2. Locate the bulk filing that you want to copy.

Bulk # 136 - Wednesday Test

Bulk # 136 Started 04/14/2021 5:21 PM by Lauren Groswald

Draft # 817

Draft # 817 Started 04/14/2021 5:21 PM on behalf of Jack Stone by Lauren Groswald
 Location
 OFS QA 2017

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Draft	Acknowledgement	Efile		
Draft	Abstract Of Judgment	Efile		

Draft # 818

Draft # 818 Started 04/14/2021 5:24 PM on behalf of Jack Stone by Lauren Groswald
 Location
 OFS QA 2017

Filing Status	Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Draft	Acknowledgement	Efile		

Figure 18.46 – Example of a Bulk Filing Pane

3. Click  .

The filing that you copied is displayed on the *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page.

To add the same filing code(s) and document(s) to all the drafts in this bulk, click on Quick Action below.

If you wish to edit or add details to a specific draft, you may do so.

Bulk # 425 - Wednesday Test

2 draft(s) of 100 maximum.

Draft # 10308

Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Civil Case Type: Other Civil

Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment	eFile Only		

Draft # 10309

Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Family Case Type: Division Of Property

Filing Code	Filing Type	Filing Description	Client Ref #
Abstract Of Judgment	eFile Only		

2 draft(s) of 100 maximum.

Save Draft and Exit
Fees →

Figure 18.47 – Example of a Bulk Filing Dashboard

4. Continue with your filing.

19 Vacation Letter (or Leave of Absence)

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Dashboard
- ◆ Filing a Vacation Letter (or Leave of Absence)
- ◆ Entering Payment Information for a Vacation Letter (or Leave of Absence) Filing
- ◆ Viewing the Envelope Summary for a Vacation Letter (or Leave of Absence) Filing

You can create a filing in which you upload a vacation letter (or leave of absence). The letter can be attached to all of the selected cases that you designate.

Note: Your configuration may include different verbiage in place of “vacation letter.”

Note: The Vacation Letter feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

After you submit a vacation letter filing, it is listed on the *Bulk History* page.

You can also save the vacation letter filing as a draft if you want to complete the filing at a later date. Draft vacation letter filings are listed on the *Bulk Drafts* page.

Dashboard

The Dashboard provides a drop-down list for filer actions.

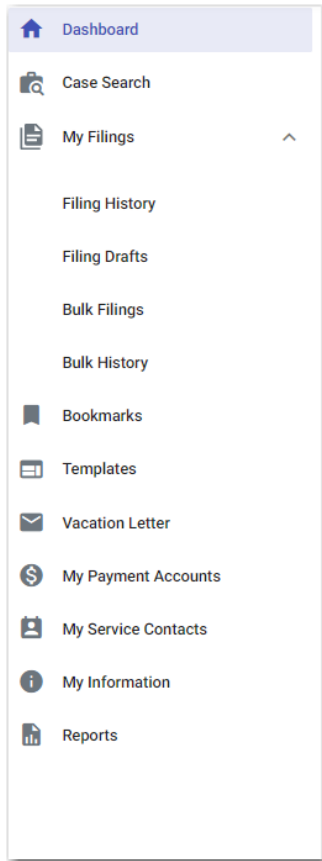


Figure 19.1 – Dashboard

From the Dashboard, you can perform the following additional actions for vacation letter:

- Access the *Dashboard* page to file a vacation letter (or leave of absence).
- Access the *File Vacation Letter* page to create a filing in which you upload a vacation letter (or leave of absence).

For information regarding the other options displayed on the Dashboard, refer to [Dashboard](#), page 29.

Bulk History

The *Bulk History* page includes the filing history for your vacation letter (or leave of absence) filings.

From the Dashboard menu, click **Bulk History**. From here, you can view a history of your vacation letter (or leave of absence) filings.

The screenshot displays the 'Bulk History' page. On the left is a 'Filing History Filter' sidebar with sections for Bulk Number/Name, Status (radio buttons for All, Accepted, Cancelled, etc.), Location (dropdown), Case/Envelope Number, Sort By (Newest to Oldest), and Date Range (radio buttons for Anytime, Last Month, etc., and a custom range selector). The main content area has tabs for Filing History, Filing Drafts, Bulk History, and Bulk Drafts. It shows a list of bulk filings:

- Bulk # 242**: Started 06/24/2021 8:55 AM by Pro Se. Includes Case # CC-20-2697 (Submitted, Notice - Auto Accept, Efile).
- Bulk # 240**: Started 06/24/2021 8:36 AM by Pro Se. Includes Case # CC-20-2697 (Accepted, Notice - Auto Accept, Efile) and Case # CC-20-1971 (Submitted, Notice - Auto Accept, Efile).

Each case entry includes details like Envelope #, Submission time, and Location (OFS QA 2017). A table below each case lists filing status, code, type, description, and client reference. The interface includes 'Reset' and 'Filter' buttons at the bottom of the filter sidebar.

Figure 19.2 – Example of a Bulk History Page

Bulk Drafts

The *Bulk Drafts* page includes the drafts of your vacation letter (or leave of absence) filings.

On the Dashboard menu, click **Bulk Drafts**. From here, you can view a list of your vacation letter (or leave of absence) draft filings, resume a draft filing, or delete a draft filing.

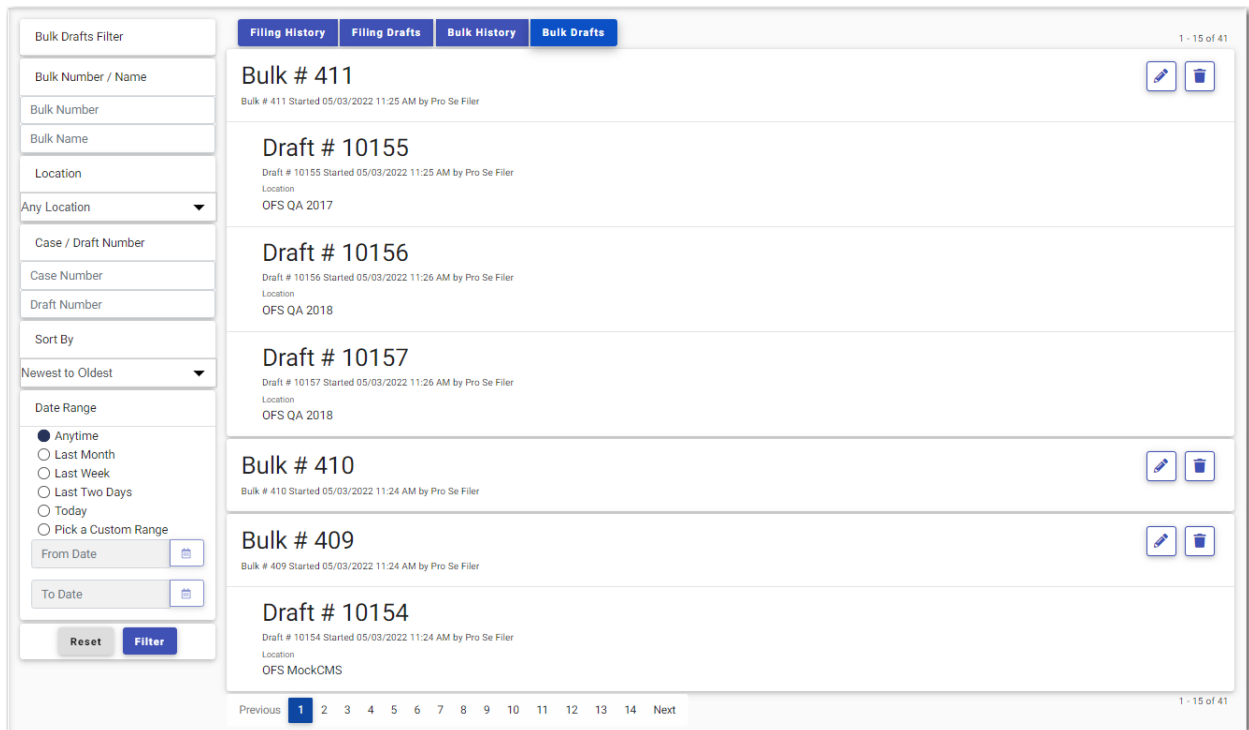


Figure 19.3 – Example of a Bulk Drafts Page

Filing a Vacation Letter (or Leave of Absence)

You can start a vacation letter (or leave of absence) filing from both the Dashboard menu and the *Dashboard* page.

Note: Your configuration may include different verbiage in place of “vacation letter.”

Note: The Vacation Letter feature is configured by Tyler and may not be available on your system.

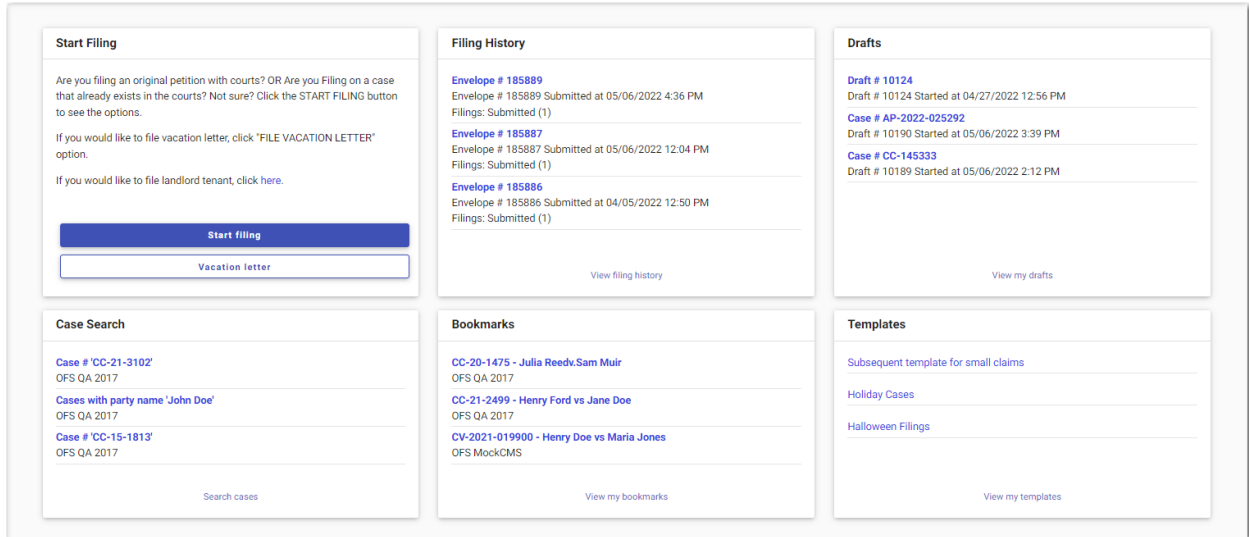
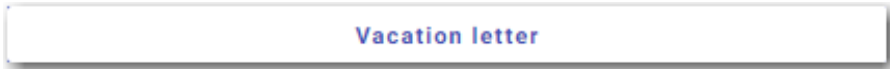


Figure 19.4 – Dashboard Page

To file a vacation letter:

1. From the Dashboard menu, click **Vacation Letter** or click



on the *Dashboard* page.

The **Options** tab on the *File Vacation Letter* page is displayed.

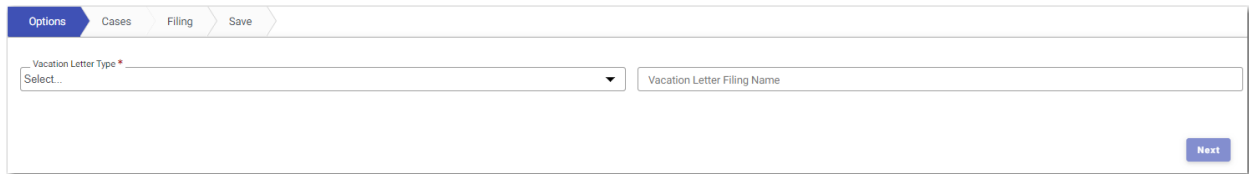


Figure 19.5 – Options Tab on the File Vacation Letter Page

2. From the **Vacation Letter Type** drop-down list, select the vacation letter type that you want.
3. Type a name for the vacation letter filing in the **Vacation Letter Filing Name** field.

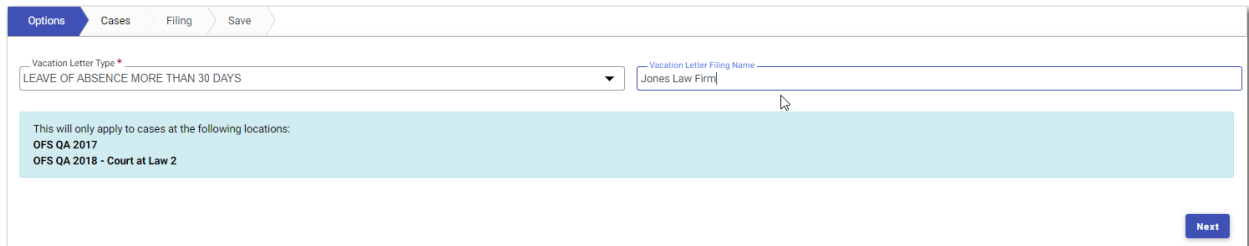


Figure 19.6 – Example of an Options Tab on the File Vacation Letter Page with Fields Completed

4. Click  .

The **Cases** tab is displayed. Your current cases are selected.

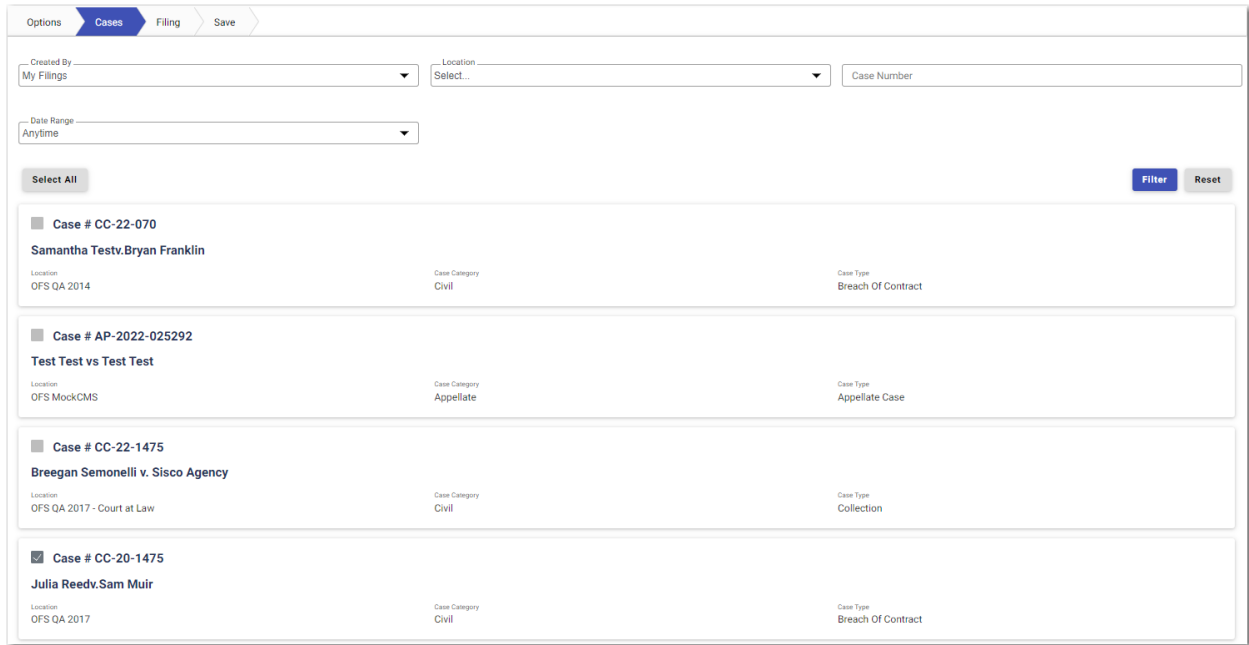
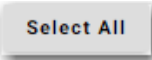



Figure 19.7 – Example of a Cases Tab on the File Vacation Letter Page

5. If you do not want the vacation letter to be attached to a specified case, clear that case. If you later want

to select all of your cases, click .

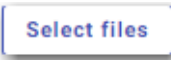

Note: If you have more cases than the cases displayed on the current page, you can filter particular cases to which you want the vacation letter attached. Complete the required fields,

and then click .

6. After you have completed or verified the information on the **Cases** tab, click .

7. On the **Filing** tab, select the filing type from the **Filing Type** drop-down list.


Figure 19.8 – Filing Tab on the File Vacation Letter Page

8. Click , and then upload the vacation letter document.
9. Click .

The document that you uploaded is listed in the Filing pane, and your selected cases are listed in individual panes on the **Save** tab.

Case #	Name	Location	Case Category	Case Type
Case # CC-20-1475	Julia Reedv.Sam Muir	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract
Case # CC-15-1813	*****	OFS QA 2017	Family	Investigation Of Child Abuse - Protected
Case # CC-22-984		OFS QA 2017	Probate or Mental Health	Guardianship/Probate Case
Case # CC-22-689	Allison Smartv.Bob & Contractors	OFS QA 2017	Civil	Breach Of Contract
Case # CC-22-687		OFS QA 2017	Family	Division Of Property

Figure 19.9 – Save Tab on the File Vacation Letter Page

10. Review the information that is displayed, and then click .


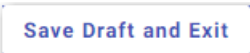
The vacation letter filing is displayed on the *Bulk Filing Dashboard* page. The vacation letter filing includes the name that you assigned to the vacation letter filing, along with a newly assigned number for the vacation letter filing.

Bulk # 414 - Jones Law Firm
 This is test content for vacation letter. New

1 draft(s) of 100 maximum.

Case # CC-20-1475				▶ 🗑️ ⋮
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Civil	Case Type Breach Of Contract		
Filing Code Application	Filing Type eFile and Serve	Filing Description	Client Ref #	
Case # CC-15-1813				▶ 🗑️ ⋮
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Family	Case Type Investigation Of Child Abuse - Protected		
Filing Code Application	Filing Type eFile and Serve	Filing Description	Client Ref #	
Case # CC-22-984				▶ 🗑️ ⋮
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Probate or Mental Health	Case Type Guardianship/Probate Case		
Filing Code Application	Filing Type eFile and Serve	Filing Description	Client Ref #	
Case # CC-22-689				▶ 🗑️ ⋮
Location OFS QA 2017	Case Category Civil	Case Type Breach Of Contract		
Filing Code Application	Filing Type eFile and Serve	Filing Description	Client Ref #	

Figure 19.10 – Example of a Vacation Letter Filing on the Bulk Filing Dashboard Page

11. Click  to continue with your filing, or click  to save your filing and continue it at another time.

If you did not complete your vacation letter filing, it will be displayed on the *Bulk Drafts* page. If you did complete your filing, it will be listed on the *Bulk History* page.

Entering Payment Information for a Vacation Letter (or Leave of Absence) Filing

Enter the payment information for your vacation letter (or leave of absence) filing on the *Bulk Fees* page.

Note: You must create a payment account before you can complete your filing.

Bulk # 429 - Test3

After filling in the required fields, click on "CALCULATE FEES" at the bottom of the page. To view the fee details on individual drafts, click on "FEE DETAILS".

Apply Payment Account to All Drafts
 Select... Apply to All*

* Payment accounts may be restricted at some locations

Draft # 10345
 Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Civil Case Type: Other Civil

Payment Account * Select... Party Responsible for Fees * Select... Search

Filer Type Select...

Draft # 10346
 Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Family Case Type: Division Of Property

Payment Account * Select... Party Responsible for Fees * Select... Search

Filer Type Select...

← Bulk Dashboard Save Draft and Exit Calculate Fees Summary →

Figure 19.11 – Example of a Bulk Fees Page—Blank Fields

To enter the payment information for your vacation letter filing:

Note: If you do not want to apply the same payment account to all of the cases, you must select the payment account and the filing attorney for each individual case.

1. Select the payment account from the **Apply Payment Account to All Drafts** drop-down list. Then, click **Apply to All*** to apply the selected payment account to all of the cases in the bulk filing.
2. For each case, select the party responsible for fees from the **Party Responsible for Fees** drop-down list. Click **Search** if you want to search for a party.

Note: If there are no fees associated with your filing, you may not be required to make a selection in the Party Responsible for Fees field.

3. For each case, select the filer type from the **Filer Type** drop-down list.

Bulk # 429 - Test3

After filling in the required fields, click on "CALCULATE FEES" at the bottom of the page. To view the fee details on individual drafts, click on "FEE DETAILS".

Apply Payment Account to All Drafts
Pro se Discover

* Payment accounts may be restricted at some locations

Draft # 10345
Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Civil Case Type: Other Civil
Payment Account: Pro se Discover Party Responsible for Fees: Henry Ford
Filer Type: Default

Draft # 10346
Location: OFS QA 2017 Case Category: Family Case Type: Division Of Property
Payment Account: Pro se Discover Party Responsible for Fees: Patty Smith
Filer Type: Default

Figure 19.12 – Example of a Bulk Fees Page—Completed Fields

- When all of the fields on the page have been completed, click .
The **Fee Details** button is displayed.
- Click .
The *Fee Details* window is displayed.

Fee Details	
Case Initiation Fee	
Other Civil	\$5.00
Filing Fee	
Abstract Of Judgment	\$5.00
Filing Fee	
Action - Initial Only	\$5.00
Filing Fee	
Abstract Of Judgment	\$5.00
Service Fees	
Total Service Fees	\$31.25
Convenience Fee	\$1.31
Total Court Service Fees	\$1.00

[Close](#)

Figure 19.13 – Example of a Fee Details Window

6. Review the filing fees, and then click [Summary →](#).

Viewing the Envelope Summary for a Vacation Letter (or Leave of Absence) Filing

The envelope summary provides a summary of your vacation letter (or leave of absence) filing, including the cases to which your letter will be attached, the location of the cases, the case category, and the case type.

To view the envelope summary for a vacation letter (or leave of absence) filing:

1. Complete the required information on the *File Vacation Letter* page (all of the required fields in each tab) and the *Bulk Fees* page.

2. After you have completed the fields on each page, from the *Bulk Fees* page, click [Summary →](#).

The *Summary* page is displayed.

3. If there are submission agreements for your filing, select the appropriate check boxes for the submission agreements.
4. Review the summary of the vacation letter filing. After you are satisfied with the information in your

filing, click [Submit](#).

Bulk # 414 - Jones Law Firm

OFS QA 2017

Submission Agreements

I agree that this filing is in compliance with the [Rules for E-Filing](#)

Case # CC-20-1475 Location: OFS QA 2017	Case Category: Civil	Case Type: Breach Of Contract
Case # CC-22-984 Location: OFS QA 2017	Case Category: Probate or Mental Health	Case Type: Guardianship/Probate Case
Case # CC-22-689 Location: OFS QA 2017	Case Category: Civil	Case Type: Breach Of Contract
Case # CC-21-3278 Location: OFS QA 2017	Case Category: Civil	Case Type: Collection
Case # CC-21-4233 Location: OFS QA 2017	Case Category: Civil	Case Type: Breach Of Contract
Case # CC-22-688 Location: OFS QA 2017	Case Category: Civil	Case Type: Breach Of Contract

[← Fees](#) [Save Draft and Exit](#) [Submit](#)

Figure 19.14 – Example of a Bulk Summary Page

5. Click [Bulk History](#) to return to the *Bulk History* page, or click [Dashboard](#) to return to the *Dashboard* page.

20 Reports

Topics covered in this chapter

◆ Running a Report

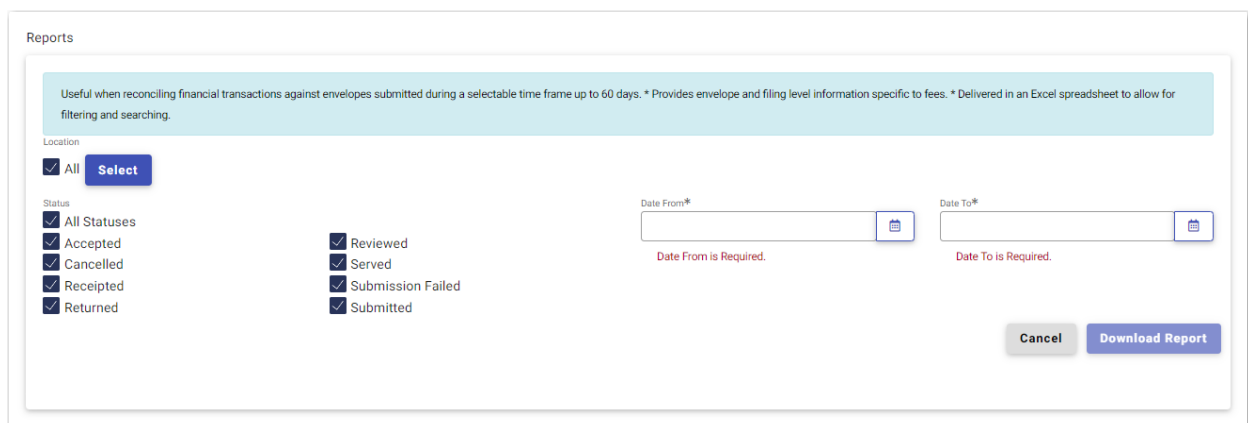
You can run a report that can be used to reconcile financial transactions for envelopes and filings that you submitted. The report is available in a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet that you can download.

Running a Report

To run a report:

1. On the Dashboard menu, click **Reports**.

The *Reports* page is displayed.



The screenshot shows the 'Reports' page with a light blue header and a white main area. At the top, a light blue box contains the text: 'Useful when reconciling financial transactions against envelopes submitted during a selectable time frame up to 60 days. * Provides envelope and filing level information specific to fees. * Delivered in an Excel spreadsheet to allow for filtering and searching.' Below this, the 'Location' section has a checked 'All' option and a blue 'Select' button. The 'Status' section has two columns of checked options: 'All Statuses', 'Accepted', 'Cancelled', 'Received', 'Returned' on the left; and 'Reviewed', 'Served', 'Submission Failed', 'Submitted' on the right. To the right of the status options are two date input fields labeled 'Date From*' and 'Date To*', each with a calendar icon and a red error message 'Date From is Required.' and 'Date To is Required.' respectively. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Download Report' buttons.

Figure 20.1 – Reports Page

2. Click  to select the locations for which you want to run the report.

The *Select Locations* dialog box is displayed.

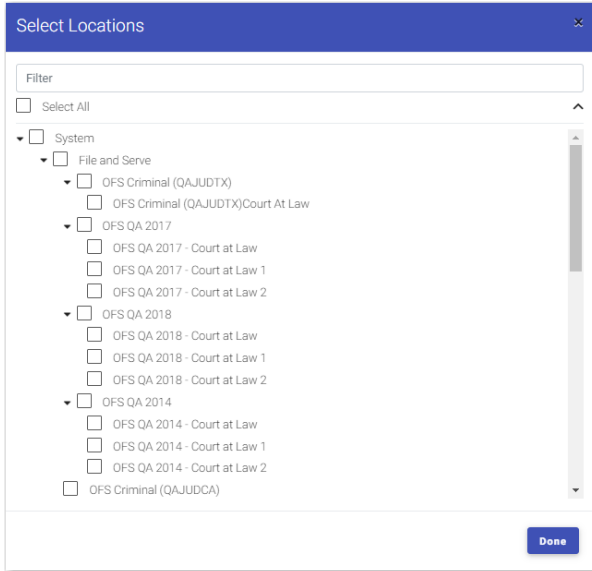




Figure 20.2 – Select Locations Dialog Box

3. Select the locations that you want to include in the report, and then click .
4. Select the statuses that you want to include in the report.
5. Type the date range for the report, or click  to select the dates from the calendar.

Note: The date range that you select cannot exceed 60 days. If it does, an error message is displayed.

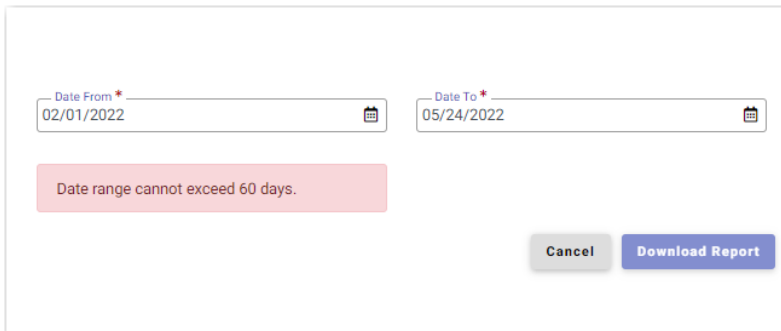


Figure 20.3 – Error Message for Report Date Range

6. Click .

The report is downloaded in a Microsoft Excel file, which you can filter and sort as needed. The report includes one tab for filings and one tab for envelopes.

21 Support and Feedback

Topics covered in this chapter

- ◆ Requesting Support
- ◆ Zendesk Support
- ◆ Providing Feedback
- ◆ Tyler Technologies Technical Support Contact Information

You can request technical support for the application, or you can provide feedback for the application.

Requesting Support

You can request support from Tyler regarding the application.

To request support regarding the application:

1. Click  in the eFile header.

The **Help** drop-down list is displayed.

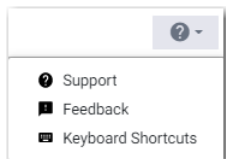


Figure 21.1 – Help Drop-Down List

2. Click **Support**.

The *Support* window is displayed.

Note: Your screen may vary from the example provided.

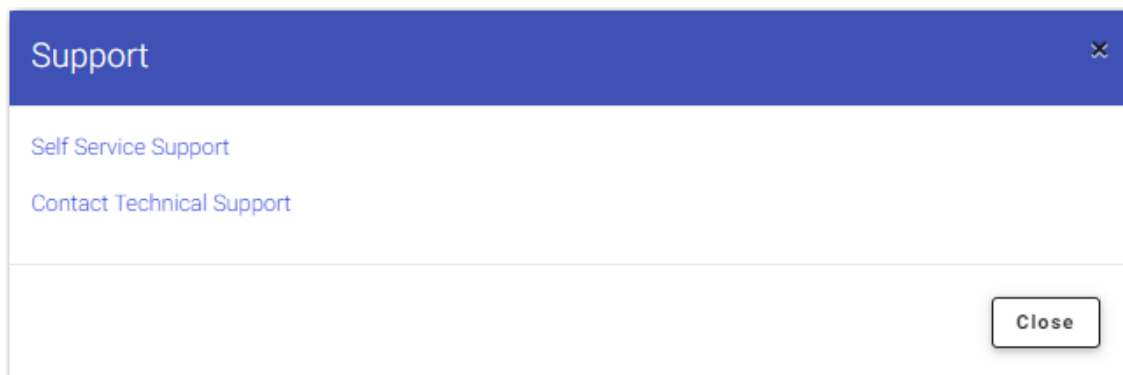


Figure 21.2 – Example of a Support Window

3. Click the support link that you want.

The appropriate Tyler support page is displayed in a new tab, depending on the link that you clicked.

4. Click  .

Zendesk Support

A new Help icon has been added to every page in the application.

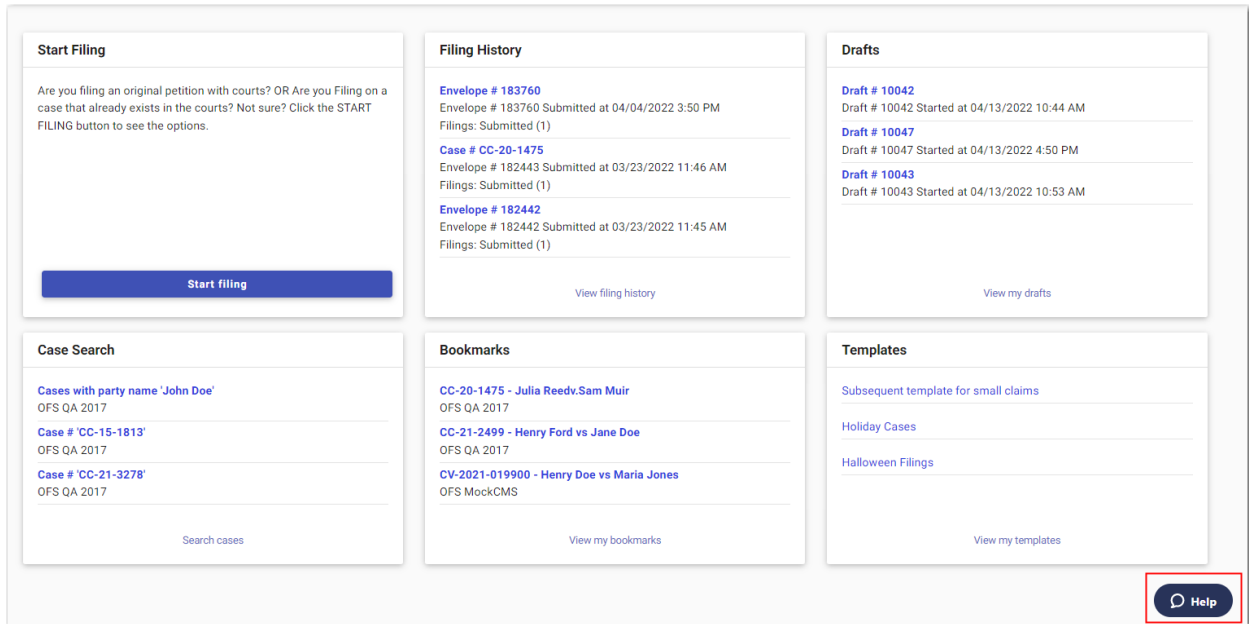


Figure 21.3 – Help Icon on the Dashboard Page

You can click the Help icon to open a chat window.

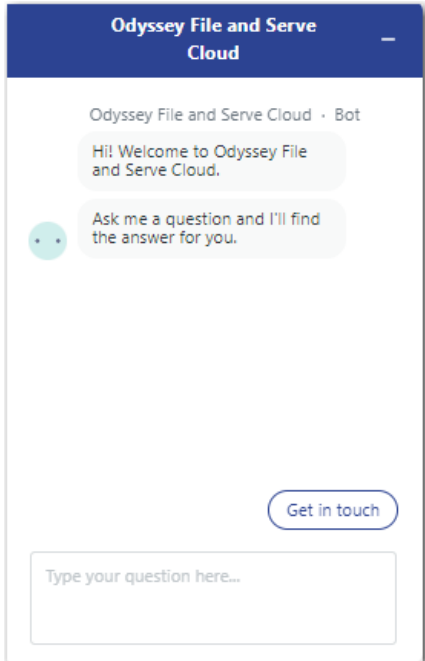


Figure 21.4 – Chat Window

In the chat window, click **Get in touch**. Options are displayed for the method by which you want to communicate with the Support representative.

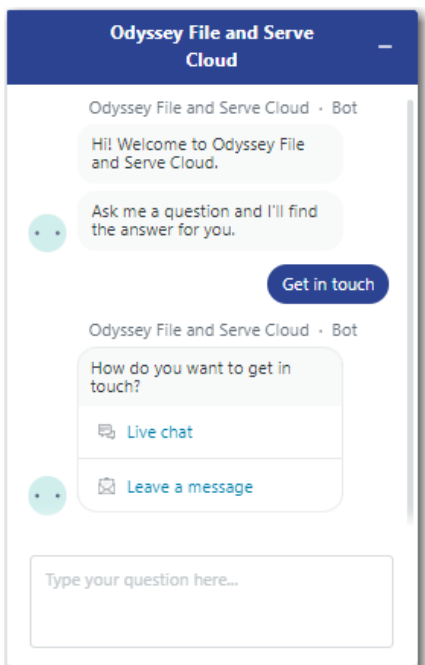


Figure 21.5 – Chat Window with Communication Options

Click the option that you want to use, and then type your question in the chat window. A Support representative will assist you.

Providing Feedback

You can provide feedback to Tyler regarding the application if you want. You can also request a new feature.

To provide feedback regarding the application or to request a new feature:

1. Click  in the eFile header.

The **Help** drop-down list is displayed.

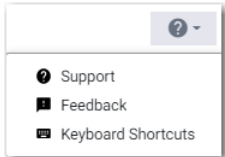


Figure 21.6 – Help Drop-Down List

2. Click **Feedback**.

The *Feedback* window is displayed.

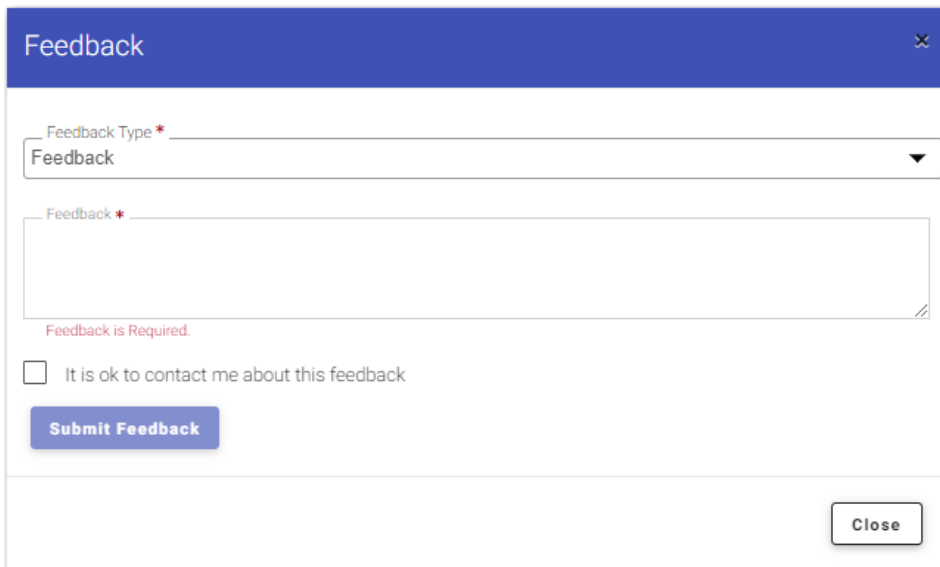
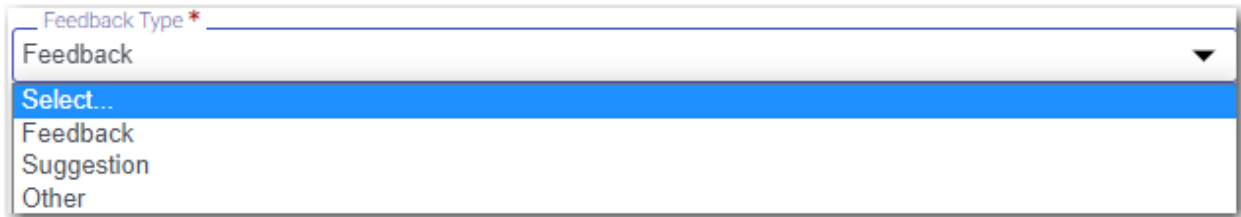
A screenshot of a 'Feedback' window. The title bar is blue with the text 'Feedback' and a close button. The main area is white and contains a 'Feedback Type' dropdown menu with 'Feedback' selected. Below it is a large text area for 'Feedback'. A red error message 'Feedback is Required.' is visible below the text area. There is a checkbox labeled 'It is ok to contact me about this feedback' which is currently unchecked. At the bottom left is a blue 'Submit Feedback' button, and at the bottom right is a 'Close' button.

Figure 21.7 – Feedback Window

3. Select the appropriate option from the **Feedback Type** drop-down list.



Feedback Type *

Feedback

Select...

Feedback

Suggestion

Other

Figure 21.8 – Feedback Type Drop-Down List

4. Type your feedback or suggestion in the **Feedback** comments window.
5. Select the **“It is ok to contact me about this feedback”** check box if you want Tyler to contact you for more information, or leave the check box cleared if you do not want to be contacted.

6. Click  .

7. Click  .

Tyler Technologies Technical Support Contact Information

For assistance, contact Tyler Technologies through the following resources.

Resource	Contact Information
Odyssey File & Serve Support Hours	7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (CT), Monday through Friday
Odyssey File & Serve Support Chat	Assistance is also available online through Support Chat .
Odyssey File & Serve Email	efiling.support@tylertech.com
Odyssey File & Serve Telephone	800.297.5377
GoTo Assist (Support)	Support may ask to assist you by sharing your screen using GoToAssist .