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**MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
BEAVERHEAD, JEFFERSON, AND MADISON COUNTY**

IN RE MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT RULES OF PRACTICE

**ORDER IMPLEMENTING  
ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM**

Effective August 24, 2021, all three Counties in the Fifth Judicial District became operational for electronic filing for all case types capable of being electronically filed. Cases generally capable of being electronically filed include, but are not necessarily limited to, DC, DN, DJ, DR, DV, and DI cases. The Montana Supreme Court has adopted rules governing access to and use of the electronic filing system. *See In Re Temporary Electronic Filings Rules*, AF-14-0745, filed October 3, 2017.

Consistent with Temporary Electronic Filing Rules 2(b), use of the electronic filing system for all lawyers admitted to practice in Montana, or those appearing *pro hac vice*, is mandatory in all DC, DN, DJ, DR, DV, and DI cases, subject to Temporary Electronic Filing Rule 6(a).

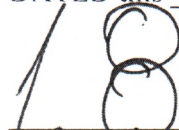
Attorneys appearing in the Fifth Judicial District have been notified previously of the requirement to register for and begin using the electronic filing system on numerous occasions. Effective *immediately* all lawyers admitted to practice in Montana, or those appearing *pro hac vice*, practicing in the Fifth Judicial District shall become registered users of the electronic filing

1 system and begin using the system. Upon application to the Clerk of District Court, waivers for  
2 use of the system may be granted for compelling and extenuating circumstances.

3 Instructions on becoming a registered user and accessing the electronic filings system,  
4 and the Temporary Electronic Filing Rules, are available at <https://courts.mt.gov/courts/efile/>.

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6 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.

7 DATED this 31st day of August 2021.

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11 Honorable Luke Berger  
12 District Court Judge  
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