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Today, the Clerk of the Fairfax Circuit Court, John T. Frey announced electronic filing (eFiling) will begin with certain types of civil cases, in early May. As the largest jurisdiction in Virginia, the Fairfax Circuit Court takes in over 30,000 civil and criminal cases every year and is partnering with court technology leader File & Serve Express. “Over the decades, I have observed that a phased-in approach is best, so that we can ensure the new system is able to handle the sheer volume and complexity of the cases litigated in Fairfax. We have piloted the filing system with several local law firms, and, from the feedback we have gotten, FSX seems to be easy for them to use.” John Frey said.

Fairfax opens eFiling to its ‘Phase I’ cases next month, which include existing divorce cases, contract cases, and personal injury cases, which make up the bulk of litigation in Fairfax Circuit Court. “We are looking forward to offering this service to everyone, as Phase I successfully launches, and we move on to expanding to all types of cases.” John Frey said.

“The Pandemic has changed the practice of law, with more remote-work and ‘virtual practice’ in the legal industry. Offering eFiling to our customers improves their access to justice, saves them costs and trips to the courthouse, thus making our court system easier to navigate in a digital age,” Deputy Clerk Gerarda Culipher observed.

As part of the eFiling launch, the Clerk’s Office and FSX are offering live training sessions and even CLE courses, to introduce customers to the FSX eFiling portal.

For more information, see the Clerk’s Office website at:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/circuit/online-services/court-records-electronic-filing-system> or the FSX Fairfax page at <https://www.fileandservexpress.com/fairfax-va/>