

## **LGS eFiling Integration Update**

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As you are most likely aware by now, the Texas Supreme Court has mandated electronic filing of all civil cases throughout the state. The Office of Court Administration has contracted with eFileTexas<sup>1</sup> to create and support a central portal for all filings across the state. Following a schedule based upon population size, each county has been given a deadline by which they must accept electronic filings using this portal.

At LGS we understand how daunting this change seems. We welcome this opportunity to assist you and make the transition as easy as possible. We have been working with eFileTexas to integrate their portal with DataPoint. This will allow for the automatic filing of cases into DataPoint, along with automatic document attachment and receipting. We tentatively expect to launch our first county integration by April 2014, which will be well ahead of the mandatory deadline for all of our counties. This first launch will be an opportunity to address any unforeseen problems and make sure communication between the eFileTexas system and the county office is seamless.

It is very important to note that this project requires coordination between LGS, eFileTexas, and each clerk's office with regard to business schedules and resources. Because of this, it is very difficult to pin down a specific date for each county's integration project. Please rest assured we understand many of you are ready to begin now and we share your desire to complete this project as soon as possible. We will continue to keep you informed of project developments and update our timeline as we are able.

You should be aware that eFileTexas has started contacting counties throughout the state to begin the implementation process. When you are contacted by eFileTexas, it is very important that you contact LGS so we are involved from the beginning. We will assist you in providing the necessary data to eFileTexas and help you prepare for this integration. Our goal is to help you become more comfortable with the e-filing process and ensure you always have the most up-to-date information.

Pro Se filers will require that you have a procedure in place for accepting their filings. As you consider your approach, LGS would appreciate the opportunity to work in partnership with you as you develop a procedure to ensure everyone transitions smoothly to this new system.

LGS is committed to serving you during this process. Please feel free to contact us if you have any further questions or concerns.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> eFileTexas, a division of Tyler Technology