

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT**  
**NOTICE**  
**REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ELECTRONIC FILING**

On September 2, 2008, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit will begin to allow parties to file certain documents using the Court's Case Management/ Electronic Case Files (CM/ECF) system. Between September 2, 2008 and December 31, 2008, use of the CM/ECF system will be voluntary. Effective January 2, 2009, use of the CM/ECF system will be mandatory for all attorneys and court reporters filing in this Court, unless you are granted an exemption.

Effective immediately, we will no longer accept registrations for electronic notification of decisions and orders. Instead, *after August 4th*, the PACER Service Center will begin accepting registrations for Ninth Circuit electronic filing. You must register specifically for the Ninth Circuit, even if you are already registered for PACER, for ECF in other courts, or for electronic noticing in the Ninth Circuit. However, during registration for the Ninth Circuit, you may choose the same user login and password that you use for other Circuit courts.

Once registered, a filer will receive e-mail notification from this Court when the registration has been processed, begin receiving electronic notification of decisions and orders of this Court, and be able to file electronically **as of September 2, 2008**. If you have already registered for electronic noticing of decisions and orders from the Ninth Circuit, you will continue to receive those electronic notices, but you will not be eligible to file pleadings electronically unless or until you complete the CM/ECF registration process. Processing the registration could take up to 10 business days.

More information regarding the registration process, including the Court's administrative order concerning CM/ECF, electronic training, and a user guide, will be posted on the Court's website later this summer.

Should you have questions or concerns about electronic filing in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, please notify us at [CMECF\\_ca9help@ca9.uscourts.gov](mailto:CMECF_ca9help@ca9.uscourts.gov).