



ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: Electronic filing of court papers.

PURPOSE: To examine the current status and potential expansion of electronic filing of court papers in New York.

NEW YORK CITY

Friday, November 16, 2018

10:00 a.m.

Assembly Hearing Room 1923, 19th floor

250 Broadway, New York, NY

ORAL TESTIMONY BY INVITATION ONLY

In 1999, New York State authorized the use of electronic filing of court papers for certain cases. Since then, more than 100,000 users have registered with the New York State Courts Electronic Filing System (“NYSCEF”) to e-file more than 1.6 million cases. This hearing will examine the current status of the electronic filing system in New York, including the convenience, efficiency, productivity and cost of e-filing. In addition, the committee will take testimony about legislative proposals to expand the use of electronic filing and how any such expansion of the program may impact the court system’s budget, practitioners, pro se litigants, and access to justice for New Yorkers seeking redress in the courts.

Persons invited to present pertinent testimony to the Committee at the above hearing should complete and return the enclosed reply form as soon as possible. It is important that the reply form be fully completed and returned so that persons may be notified in the event of emergency postponement or cancellation.

Oral testimony will be limited to five (5) minutes’ duration. Witnesses are encouraged not to read their statements verbatim, but to instead summarize the key points raised therein. In preparing the order of witnesses, the Committee will attempt to accommodate individual requests to speak at particular times in view of special circumstances. These requests should be made on the attached reply form or communicated to Committee staff as early as possible.

Ten copies of any prepared testimony should be submitted at the hearing registration desk. The Committee would appreciate advance receipt of prepared statements.

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**Jeffrey Dinowitz
Member of Assembly
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Committee on Judiciary**

HEARING REPLY FORM

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I have been invited to testify at the hearing. My statement will be limited to five (5) minutes, and I will answer any questions which may arise. I will provide ten copies of my prepared statement.

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