



Office of Administrative Law Judges

eFile and eServe (EFS)

Notice Regarding New System for Electronic Filing

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The United States Department of Labor is launching a new eFile/eServe System (“EFS”) on Monday, December 7, 2020.

EFS is the Department’s next generation, shared system for electronic filing in proceedings before the Administrative Review Board (“ARB”), Benefits Review Board (“BRB”), Employee Compensation Appeals Board (“ECAB”), Office of Administrative Law Judges (“OALJ”), and Board of Alien Labor Certification Appeals (“BALCA”).

Beginning on December 7, 2020, parties appearing before OALJ and BALCA are encouraged to e-file using this new system. EFS has a dashboard that permits users to see the status of e-filings and e-service in the case.

Although e-filing with EFS will not be available until December 7, 2020, parties may visit <https://efile.dol.gov> to preregister and to review user guides, video tutorials, and FAQs. Pre-registration will be available from November 9, 2020 until 5:00 pm EST on December 3, 2020.

The Office of the Chief Information Officer (“OCIO”) will conduct informational webinars on how to preregister and how to conduct basic filing operations:

Monday, November 16, 2020, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. EST.

Filing with OALJ and the BRB on Black Lung and Longshore cases.

Link: <https://usdolevents.webex.com/usdolevents/onstage/g.php?MTID=e3925854aa8627f0de2f9e0d35c5f6c94>

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Tuesday, November 17, 2020, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. EST.

Filing with OALJ, BALCA, and the ARB on other case types (e.g., whistleblower, immigration, Wage and Hour, OFCCP, etc.).

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Wednesday, November 18, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. EST.

Filing with ECAB on FECA cases.

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Although it is recommended that parties use EFS when it becomes available, OALJ and BALCA at this time will continue to accept e-filings under the procedures stated at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/oalj/FILING_BY_EMAIL. Parties may also still opt to file by regular mail, courier service, hand delivery, or facsimile.

Please note that the ARB, BRB, and ECAB are replacing their existing Electronic File and Service Request (EFSR) system with the new EFS. To implement this migration, EFSR will go offline at 5:00 p.m. EST on December 3, 2020, and the new EFS will not be operational until 8:30 a.m., EST on Monday, December 7, 2020. This means that you will not be able to e-file any appeals or other documents with the ARB, BRB or ECAB after 5:00 pm EST on December 3rd and before 8:30 a.m. EST on December 7th. If you intend to file with the ARB, BRB or ECAB on these dates, please plan to file by other means (conventional mail, hand delivery, etc.).

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