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Delaware County Holds Free E-Filing Seminar on Oct. 11

The Delaware County Office of Judicial Support (OJS) will be hosting a free seminar for anyone interested in learning more about the new Delaware County E-filing program. The seminar will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 11 in the Delaware County Council Meeting Room, located on the first floor of the Government Center (201 West Front Street, Media, PA.)

All residents all welcome to attend; pre-registration is not necessary. It is recommended that attendees look at the E-filing website before the attending: www.co.delaware.pa.us/ojs/efile.html

The website includes a free user guide and additional useful links which attendees may wish to review before attending seminar. The seminar will include a demonstration on how to register for E-filing, and how the program runs. Questions will be taken from attendees regarding function and use of the E-filing program and the benefits to registering, as well as what matters cannot be E-filed at this time.

The Delaware County Court of Common Pleas and the Office of Judicial Support launched E-filing for non-family civil matters on July 30, 2018. Delaware County now offers attorneys and self-represented litigants the ability to electronically file documents and pay filing fees over a secured website through the Office of Judicial Support's civil case management system supported by Thomson-Reuters. E-File will be available in civil (non-family) cases on a voluntary basis for the first 90 days. On Monday, October 29, 2018 E-filing will become mandatory for users in non-family civil cases. E-Filing for family law cases is expected to be made available to attorneys and self-represented litigants after the implementation of civil E-Filing.

The E-filing system also allows certain court applications to be electronically filed with OJS and then submitted to the Delaware County Court Administrator's Office for review such as the request for a continuance of a scheduled hearing in an arbitration case, license suspension case or a motion to be heard by the court on a civil miscellaneous list. Currently, the E-filing program is available to anyone with no registration fee.

In addition to the Oct. 11 seminar, a Continuing Legal Education program will be offered for attorneys through the Delaware County Bar Association this fall.