

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Re: Electronic Filing Pilot Program in Charleston County Probate Court

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Pursuant to the provisions of Article V, Section 4 of the South Carolina Constitution and upon recommendation of the Probate Court Judges Advisory Committee,

IT IS ORDERED that a Pilot Program is established for the Electronic Filing (E-Filing) of documents in the Probate Court beginning October 28, 2020, in Charleston County. In order for the E-Filing System to be implemented uniformly and effectively, filings in all estate, trust, adult guardianship, and conservatorship cases commenced or pending in Charleston County after the effective date of the Pilot Program may be E-Filed, unless the type of case or the type of filing is excluded from the Pilot Program.

The attached Charleston County Probate Court Electronic Filing Policies and Guidelines will govern E-Filing for the Charleston County Probate Court. Attorneys should refer to the Policies and Guidelines to determine whether any specific filings are exempted from the E-Filing Pilot Program.

The Charleston County Probate Court shall provide a report to the Chief Justice by November 1, 2021, evaluating the pilot program's effectiveness.



Donald W. Beatty
Chief Justice of South Carolina

Columbia, South Carolina
October 28, 2020