

IN THE
SUPREME COURT
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN RE
ELECTRONIC FILING AND SERVICE

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2006-302

¶1 Effective June 21, 2006, the Commonwealth Supreme Court will implement electronic filing and service of documents. Attorneys shall file with the Clerk of Court of the Supreme Court all pleadings and other documents using the LexisNexis CourtLink eFile service. Counsel should refer to the electronic filing rules, which are available at www.cnrnilaw.org

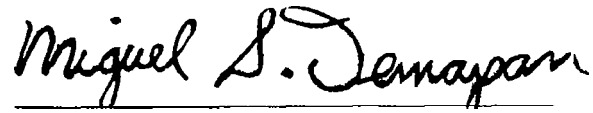
¶2 Parties who are not represented by an attorney are also required to file electronically. The Clerk of Court will be available to assist pro se litigants in filing electronically if necessary.

¶3 The LexisNexis CourtLink web site, <http://www.lexisnexus.com/fileandserve>, provides information regarding computer requirements, fees, service of documents, and training opportunities.

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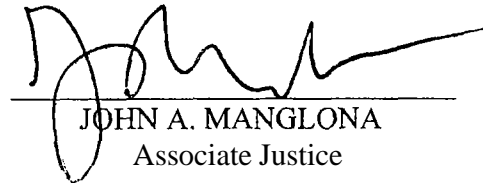
SO ORDERED this 30th day of May, 2006.



MIGUEL S. DEMAPAN
Chief Justice



ALEXANDRO C. CASTRO
Associate Justice



JOHN A. MANGLONA
Associate Justice

IN THE
SUPREME COURT
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN RE:
COMMONWEALTH RULES
FOR ELECTRONIC FILING AND SERVICES

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2006-301

ORDER

¶1 On January 12, 2006, the Commonwealth Rules for Electronic Filing and Services were made permanent and binding by order of the Supreme Court after being submitted to the Fourteenth Northern Mariana Islands Legislature for approval.

¶2 Pursuant to Rule 8, “[t]hese rules shall become effective on the date to be set by the Commonwealth Supreme Court.”

¶3 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Commonwealth Rules for Electronic Filing and Service shall become effective on April 21, 2006, and electronic filing and service of legal documents shall be implemented in three phases:

1. Beginning April 24, 2006, all Civil Actions in the Commonwealth Superior Court involving claims, negligence, personal injury, tort, and wrongful death, along with selected high volume civil cases shall be filed electronically;

2. Beginning June 24, 2006 all new non-domestic civil cases in the Commonwealth Superior Court shall be filed electronically; and
3. Beginning August 24, 2006, all domestic civil cases in the Commonwealth Superior Court shall be filed electronically.

¶4 Later phases will be implemented by further order of the court, and will include Supreme Court cases and criminal cases.

SO ORDERED this 27th day of March, 2006.

/S/ _____
MIGUEL S. DEMAPAN
Chief Justice

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ALEXANDRO C. CASTRO
Associate Justice

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JOHN A. MANGLONA
Associate Justice

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IN RE:
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GENERAL ORDER NO. 2006-300

ORDER

¶1 On October 28, 2005, the proposed *Commonwealth Rules for Electronic Filing and Services* were submitted to the Fourteenth Northern Mariana Islands Legislature for approval. Sixty (60) days have elapsed since submission and neither house of the Legislature has disapproved of the proposed Rules.

¶2 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the attached *Commonwealth Rules for Electronic Filing and Services* are now permanent Rules pursuant to Article IV, § 9 of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands.

SO ORDERED this 12th day of January, 2006.



MIGUEL S. DEMAPAN, Chief Justice

ALEXANDRO C. CASTRO, Associate Justice

JOHN A. MANGLONA, Associate Justice