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[Dallas County Clerk Makes Available to the Criminal Bar Association, Electronic Filing of Court Documents]

[Dallas, TX] – [Today the Dallas County Clerk and the Dallas County District Clerk’s office announces effective June 5, 2017 all attorneys who practice law in the county criminal courts will be able to file documents electronically through the electronic filing system, eFile Texas. This voluntary eFiling comes on the cusp of The Texas Supreme Court mandating electronic filing for criminal courts in Texas effective July 1st, 2017. Efiling was mandated in civil courts (civil district, family, county courts at law and probate courts), January 2014.

Dallas County Clerk John Warren *stress the importance of the members of the criminal bar association to participate in this effort. “When we initiate criminal eFiling on June 5th it will not only give everyone an opportunity to adjust to the new process, but it will also allow us the opportunity to ensure that the transition will not create a disruption in our daily court operations.*

Dallas County District Clerk, Felicia Pitre emphasized the importance of this transition period, “This permissive period of eFiling will allow attorney who practice law in the Dallas County criminal courts to get a head start on becoming familiar with how courts across the State of Texas will function starting in July, just a few months from now.”

The clerks of Dallas County will be coordinating with the software vendor, Tyler Technologies to provide training sessions for members of the criminal section of the Dallas Bar Association to allow the litigants to become familiar with the new eFiling system. Information regarding the training schedule will be provided to the criminal section of the Dallas Bar who practice at the Frank Crowley Courts Building, as well as frequently asked questions regarding eFiling.

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