

# **BEVERLEY MCGREW WALKER**

District Clerk Fort Bend County, Texas

# efiletexas.gov™ Quick-ReferenceGuide

### https://efiletexas.gov

State Provided EFSP option

### **RegistrationOptions**

Three registration options exist in eFileTXCourts.gov™.

#### **Register for a New Firm Account**

This account is perfect for the following users:

- Attorneys
- Firms with multiple filers
- Solo attorney practitioners

Before you register for a new firm account, please check with your firm to ensure that an account has not already been created. If a firm account has already been created, ask your Firm Administrator to invite you to join the firm.

#### Join a Firm

To join a firm, you must request an invitation from your Firm Administrator. You cannot join the firm by going to the regular registration page on the home page.

#### **Register for an Individual Filer Account**

This account is perfect for the following users:

- Pro se filers
- Process servers
- Landlords/tenants

#### Registering for EFileTXCourts.gov

To register for eFileTXCourts.gov, perform the following steps:





#### 1. From the home page, click FIRM/INDIVIDUAL



2. Complete the required fields, which are outlined in red: First Name, Last Name, Email Address, Password, Security Question, and Security Answer.



4. If you are registering for a new firm account, select the check box for a firm account.

Note: If you want to join a firm, you cannot register to join a firm from the home page. Instead, you must request an invitation email from your Firm Administrator. After you receive the invitation email, click the link in the body of the email. You will be guided through the registration process including joining a firm.

5. If you are registering for an individual filer account, select the check box for a self-representative account.

**Please Note:** If you already have a waiver account established for civil, this account can also be used for criminal E-filings. If not, the user must create one. Setting up a waiver account for criminal E-filing.

#### How to set up a waiver account for criminal E-Filing.

- Select Menu
- Select 'My Payment Accounts'



## - Select 'Add Account'



- Make sure 'Waiver' is selected
- Name your waiver account

	Payment Account Name	Payment Account Type	Status
			Active
	Account Name * Waiver	Create a new: Waiver Credit Card or Bank Account	
Š	Select 'Create Waiver'		

CREATE WAIVER

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Your waiver account is now added and ready to use.

## How do I file into an existing case? How do I file a new Case?

There are two ways to search for an existing case that you are attempting to file into.

- 1.) From the Filer Dashboard, click on the "START FILING" button in blue
- 2.) Click File A New Case" or "File Into Existing Case"

#### File a New Case

Use this if you do not have a case number and are filing an initiating document for the first time.

FILE A NEW CASE

File Into an Existing Case

Use this if you have a case number to conduct a search and then file.

FILE INTO EXISTING CASE

After performing either of the actions listed above, proceed with the following steps:

- Select the Location
  - Ex. Fort Bend County District Clerk "Civil, Family Cases"
  - Ex. Fort Bend County District Clerk "Criminal Cases"
- Example FILE INTO EXISTING CASE" Input the case number **OR** search by the name of the party
- Click on Search

<b>Q</b> File into Existing Case		×
Location *		
Fort Bend County - District Clerk	×	•
Search for a Case by Case Number O Party Name		
If you are not sure your case number is correct, refer to the formatting instructions for the selected court.		
Case Number * 00-dcv-000000		
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• Once the case populates, click on the **Black Actions** tab to the right of the case information and select **File Into** 

Location	Case Category	Case	