

Supreme Court of Kentucky

2024-03

ORDER

IN RE: LIMITED EXCEPTION TO MANDATORY ELECTRONIC FILING IN CHILD SUPPORT IV-D CASES

On June 13, 2023, the Supreme Court entered Administrative Order 2023-21, Mandatory Electronic Filing in Selected Case Types in the Circuit and District Courts of the Commonwealth, which mandated electronic filing in certain domestic relations cases, effective August 1, 2023. The Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) notified the Court that, because of staffing, funding and technology limitations, it was unable to electronically file documents on behalf of the Commonwealth in cases involving child support enforcement pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act. CHFS requested and the Court granted a six-month extension of the electronic filing mandate to address these constraints.

The Supreme Court recently received notice from the Kentucky County Attorneys Association that, despite efforts to troubleshoot implementation issues, additional technological barriers are preventing successful electronic filing of Title IV-D cases. The Association has requested an additional six-month extension to allow time for all County Attorneys to comply with electronic filing requirements.

Accordingly, under Section 116 of the Kentucky Constitution and the Administrative Rules of Practice and Procedure for the Kentucky Court of

Justice Electronic Filing, the Court hereby ORDERS a limited exception to Administrative Order 2023-21 to allow for a six-month extension on electronically filing documents on behalf of the Commonwealth in cases involving child support enforcement pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act. Title IV-D cases may be filed conventionally until August 1, 2024.

This Order shall be effective February 1, 2024.

Entered this 31st day of January 2024.

All sitting. All concur.


CHIEF JUSTICE