

United States District Court
Eastern District of Missouri
Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63102

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Clerk of Court

Election Day Hotline Number
314-244-7904

Notice Regarding Election-Related Filings

The U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri will use the following procedures for emergency election-related filings for the Tuesday, November 3, 2020 election. The procedures outlined below are for all Eastern District of Missouri divisions; Eastern, Northern, and Southeastern.

After-Hours Emergency Filing Procedures Prior to Election Day:

Emergency petitions should be filed electronically using CM/ECF. Contact the Clerk of Court at the Election Day Hotline Number, 314-244-7904, if any action is being requested before the next business day.

Election Day Filings Before 4:30 p.m.:

1. Emergency petitions should be filed electronically using CM/ECF.
2. Once papers are filed, the filer must contact the Clerk of Court or Chief Deputy Clerk at the Election Day Hotline Number listed in this Notice in order to set up a time for a hearing.
3. If for some reason a filing cannot be made electronically, papers must be delivered to the Clerk's Office for filing.

Election Day After-Hours Emergency Filing Procedures:

1. Emergency petitions shall be filed electronically using CM/ECF. Contact the Clerk of Court or Chief Deputy Clerk at the Election Day Hotline Number if a filing cannot be made electronically. In such instances, papers must be delivered to the Clerk's Office (St. Louis location), which will be open until 7:00 p.m. or until all Election Day proceedings are completed, whichever is later. The St. Louis location will accept after-hours filings for all three divisions.
2. Once papers are filed, the filer must contact the Clerk of Court or Chief Deputy Clerk at the Election Day Hotline Number listed in this Notice to set up a time for a hearing.
3. It is critical that the Clerk of Court or Chief Deputy Clerk be contacted in order for the judicial process to begin immediately.
4. Depending on the filings submitted and the nature of relief being sought, the case will be decided by in-person proceedings, by telephonic proceedings, or electronically.
5. All matters submitted after 4:30 p.m. on Election Day will be heard and decided upon by a U.S. District Judge.

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