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Dear valued File & Serve client,

After several years of piloting **electronic filing** (e-filing), the Maricopa County Superior Court has announced the implementation of a new court based e-filing system designed and managed by the Clerk of Court's office. The new system allows e-filing directly via the Clerk of Court's system or using e-filing through designated providers.

As of **September 8, 2008**, LexisNexis File & Serve will no longer be available for e-filing court documents with Maricopa County.

Don't panic!

Note that the court rules still allow for electronic service (e-service) to be implemented and used in cases as a way to maintain online case files and facilitate service amongst the parties in an action. **This means that your firm can continue to use File & Serve for e-service** in all the cases that are currently online and any future cases where you'd prefer to use e-service with File & Serve!

You can continue to recognize the significant case management, productivity and cost savings benefits associated with e-service in all of your cases.

Reasons to continue to use File & Serve e-service:

1. **No learning curve!**
2. **No interruption of access!**
3. **No missed documents!**

What happens if law firms do not continue using File & Serve e-service?

1. Your documents on File & Serve will not be migrated to the designated e-filing providers; however, you will be able to access historical files (documents on File & Serve) even after September 7, 2008.
2. E-service between the parties will not be available if the Clerk of Court's system is used. For more information, please visit the Clerk of Court's web site: <http://www.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov/default.asp>

How to ensure File & Serve e-service will continue?

1. Parties should file a motion or stipulation (see attached) that agrees to continue using File & Serve e-service in each case (we recommend plaintiff [or plaintiffs'] firms file the motions or stipulations).
2. Contact us now at 1.800.869.1910 for more information.

Please review the [FAQs](#) and other announcements from the Clerk of Court's office for answers to your other questions. And, as always, please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

The LexisNexis File & Serve Team

Attachments:

[Sample Case Management Order for e-Service](#)

[Sample Stipulation for e-Service](#)

[Maricopa County Superior Court Administrative Order](#)