

DISCOVERY COURT FILINGS GUIDE

Civil Electronic Filing System UPDATE - March 15, 2021

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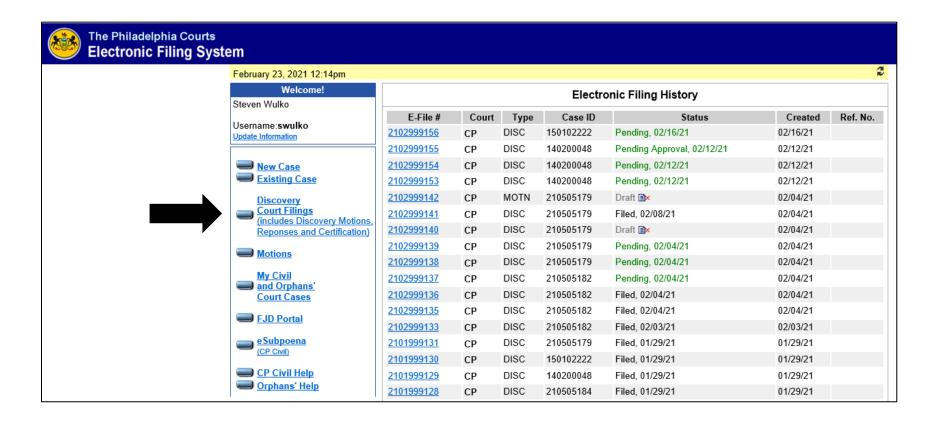
Overview:

Pursuant to the Notice to Bar – Protocol for Discovery Motions Filed On/After March 15, 2021, the Civil Electronic Filing System (EFS) has been updated to accommodate the filings related to the Protocol.

This is a guide to the EFS screens and filing options as they will appear effective March 15, 2021.

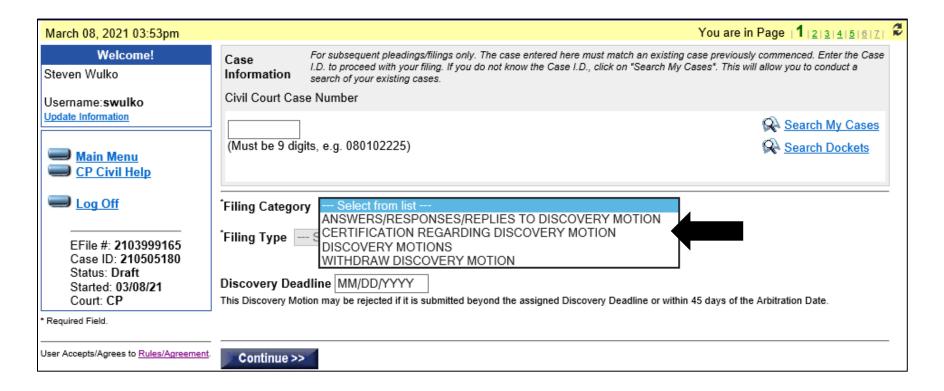
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- To submit a filing, click the filing area link labeled *Discovery Court Filings*.
 - All filings related to the new protocols must be filed in this area.
 - o Filing options include *Discovery Motions*, *Responses* and *Certifications*.



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- After clicking the **Discovery Court Filings** link, select **Trial Division-Civil**.
- Then, on page 1, enter your case ID (case number).
- Confirm the case information and then select the appropriate *Filing Category*:
 - ANSWERS/RESPONSES/REPLIES TO DISCOVERY MOTION
 - CERTIFICATION REGARDING DISCOVERY MOTION
 - DISCOVERY MOTIONS
 - WITHDRAW DISCOVERY MOTION

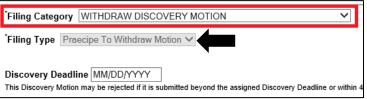


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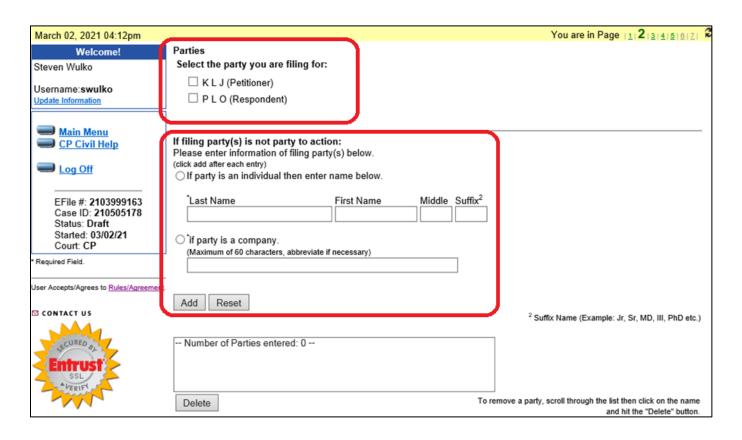
- After selecting the appropriate Filing Category, select the specific Filing Type from the subsequent dynamic drop-down list.
 - DISCOVERY MOTIONS
 - Category contains unique Filing Types including typical Motion/Petition types
 - ANSWERS/RESPONSES/REPLIES TO DISCOVERY MOTION
 - ANSWER/RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION OF MOTION/PETITION
 - BRIEF IN SUPPORT/OPPOSITION OF MOTION/PETITION
 - PRAECIPE TO SUPPLEMENT/ATTACH
 - REPLY IN SUPPORT/OPPOSITION TO MOTION/PETITION
 - Filing Category DISCOVERY MOTIONS Filing Type Motion For More Specific Answers To Interrogatories Motion For More Specific Answers To Request For Production Motion For Pre-Complaint Discovery Discovery Do Motion For Protection Order This Discovery I or within 45 Motion For Sanctions Motion To Compel Answers And Production Of Documents Check the bd Motion To Compel Answers To Interrogatories ntion 🗌 Motion To Compel Deposition Motion To Compel Independent Medical Examination Continue: Motion To Compel Inspection Motion To Compel Request For Admissions Motion To Compel Request For Production Motion To Overrule Objections Motion To Quash Subpoena Petition For Issuance Letters Rogatory Petition For Issuance Of Subpoena
- Points to consider when selecting Filing Types:
 - If filing a *Discovery Motion* and the motion type is not listed, select *Other* and you will be prompted to insert a short description of the nature of motion.
 - If filing a *Discovery Motion* that needs emergency attention, click the box that is displayed. Discovery Court staff will review and take appropriate action and communicate next steps to the movant.

- CERTIFICATION REGARDING DISCOVERY MOTION
 - MOTION IS CONTESTED
 - MOTION IS SUBMITTED BY AGREEMENT
 - MOTION IS UNCONTESTED
 - MOTION IS WITHDRAWN
- PRAECIPE TO WITHDRAW MOTION
 - WITHDRAW DISCOVERY MOTION

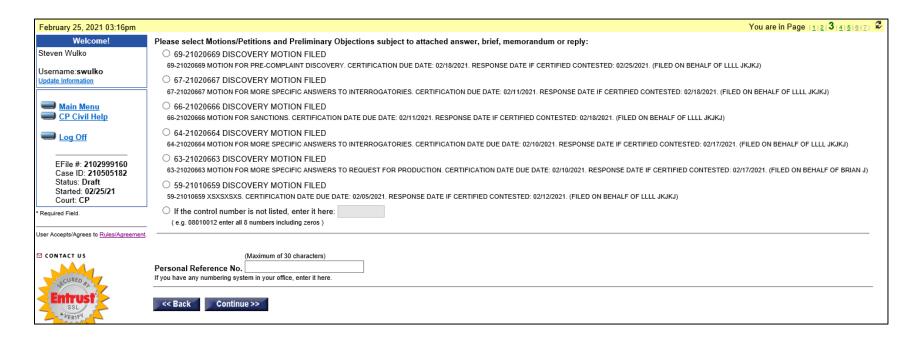




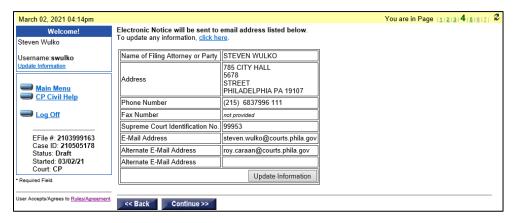
• Once you have selected the type, continue to page 2 where you will indicate for whom the filing is being submitted. If the filing party is not listed, you may enter their information in the fields below the listed parties.



- If any *Filing Types* in any of the *Filing Categories* labeled ANSWERS/RESPONSES/REPLIES TO DISCOVERY MOTION, CERTIFICATION REGARDING DISCOVERY MOTION, or WITHDRAW DISCOVERY MOTION are selected, you will be presented with a list of all "open" *Discovery Motions* related to the case.
- You may select only one motion to which your filing will be associated.
- If there are several open motions, each must be certified, answered, or withdrawn separately with unique filings. You may not file one responsive filing to several open motions.
- If the motion is not found in the list, you may enter the control number in the appropriate field at the bottom of the list.
- All filings are subject to review by Discovery Court staff and may be rejected if not in compliance with the adopted filing protocols.
- Selecting the correct motion on the list is extremely important. Pay close attention when making a selection.

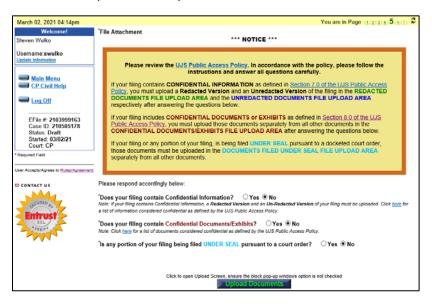


Here the filing party has the option to update their contact information.
 Note: any information that is updated here, will be updated in the Civil Case Management System for all cases.

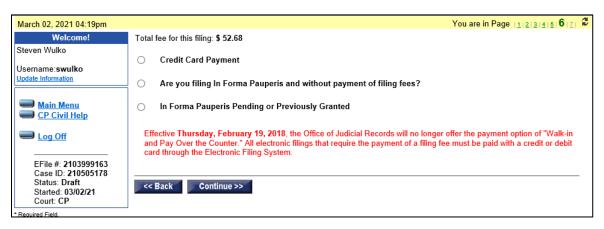


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- This is page is where all documents needed to complete the filing must be uploaded
- Pay close attention to the *UJS Public Access Policy* as it relates to confidential information and confidential documents. Uploading redacted and un-redacted versions of your documents may be necessary.



Next, the filing party is presented with payment options if applicable.
 Note: Only filings submitted in the Discovery Motions Filing Category will be assessed a filing fee. No subsequent filings related to a Discovery Motion have a filing fee.



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- The final screen allows the filing party one last chance to check for accuracy before submitting the filing.
- Payment information when applicable must be entered on this page.

