

In the
Indiana Supreme Court

Cause No. 94S00-1702-MS-52



ORDER ON RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY
ADVISORY TASK FORCE ON REMOTE ACCESS TO AND PRIVACY OF
ELECTRONIC COURT RECORDS

On February 3, 2016, this Court issued Order No. 94S00-1602-MS-62, creating the Advisory Task Force on Remote Access to and Privacy of Electronic Court Records (Remote Access Task Force) to examine the question of balancing governmental transparency with personal privacy in an online environment. The Court directed that Task Force to provide a written report of its findings and recommendations not later than September 1, 2016.

After meeting six times over the course of 2016, reviewing presentations, and conducting thorough and deliberate discussions, the Task Force presented its report and made eight recommendations to the Court with respect to public online access to court records. The Task Force made an initial list of recommendations and will continue to meet throughout 2017 to consider additional recommendations.

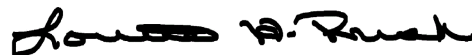
The report was posted for public comment from November 4, 2016, until December 1, 2016. After reviewing the report, public comments, and input from Court staff regarding necessary software and available funding resources, the Court hereby orders the following:

1. **Financial Payments:** On or after March 1, 2017, payments made on cases displayed at mycase.in.gov, subject to an appropriate disclaimer as to the accuracy of the remaining balance owed, shall be posted for free public access at mycase.in.gov.
2. **Public Access to all Orders in Select Civil Cases:** On or after March 1, 2017, orders issued in the Infraction (IF), Ordinance Violation (OV), Small Claims (SC), Civil Collection (CC), Civil Tort (CT), Civil Plenary (PL), Mortgage Foreclosure (MF), Estate Miscellaneous (EM), Estate Unsupervised (EU), Miscellaneous (MI), Reciprocal Support (RS), and Court Business Records (CB) case types shall be posted for free public access at mycase.in.gov.
 - a. Public access to orders and judgments in Juvenile Paternity (JP); Domestic Relations ((DR)(DC)(DN)); Estate Supervised (ES); Trust (TR); and Miscellaneous Criminal (MC) cases types are excluded.

3. **Expungement (XP) Pleadings and Orders:** On or after March 1, 2017, pleadings and documents, and orders denying expungement petitions issued, in the Expungement (XP) case type shall be posted for free public access at mycase.in.gov.
4. **Attorney Access to documents on cases displayed on mycase.in.gov:** On or after May 1, 2017, attorneys who register with mycase.in.gov will have access to all documents displayed on mycase.in.gov.
5. **Public Access to Final Orders in Criminal Cases:** On or after August 1, 2017, final orders and judgments—i.e., those orders and judgments disposing of the case, such as judgments of conviction, sentencing orders, etc., as well as any subsequent order that modifies the substantive terms of disposition including sentence modifications—issued in Criminal Misdemeanor (CM), Class A Felony (FA), Class B Felony (FB), Class C Felony (FC), Class D Felony (FD), Level 1 Felony (F1), Level 2 Felony (F2), Level 3 Felony (F3), Level 5 Felony (F5), Level 6 Felony (F6), Murder (MR), and Post-Conviction Relief (PC) case types shall be posted for free public access at mycase.in.gov.
6. **Attorney of Record Access:** On or after September 1, 2017, attorneys on the Indiana Roll of Attorneys who register with mycase.in.gov will have access to all documents—except those which are sealed—for which they are the attorney of record.
7. **Party Access to Cases:** On or after November 1, 2017, parties to a case who register with mycase.in.gov will have access to all documents—except those which are sealed—in all confidential and non-confidential cases to which they are a party.

The Court directs the Office of Judicial Administration to assign Court staff to implement these orders and provide appropriate messaging and instruction to the members of the public and Indiana's Bench and Bar.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 2/7/2017 .



Loretta H. Rush
Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.