

**Rule 11 - 2.11 Signatures on Electronic Filings.**

An authorized filing made through a person's electronic filing account, together with the person's name on a signature block, constitutes the person's signature for all purposes, including Fed.R.Civ.P. 11.

The electronic filing of preexisting documents, not created for the litigation, requires no verification as to signatures. When a document to be electronically filed has been created for the litigation, but is signed by other than the filing attorney, the document must be physically signed, and the paper copy bearing the original signature(s) must be retained by the filing attorney during the pendency of the litigation including all possible appeals. The electronic filing of such a document with a blank signature line must be accompanied by a verification in which the filing attorney attests to the existence of the signed original. The required form of verification is available from the Clerk.

(New rule added May 15, 2003; effective October 1, 2003; Amended July 10, 2006; effective August 28, 2006; Amended October 11, 2018; effective December 1, 2018)