## LOCAL RULE 5.1

## FILING OF DOCUMENTS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS

A person represented by an attorney must file electronically, unless nonelectronic filing is allowed by the court for good cause.

Generally, the only exception to the mandatory electronic filing requirement are case\_-initiating documents (complaints, petitions, notices of removal and indictments). Additional exceptions in the Eastern District are sealed records, Social Security Administrative Transcripts and any document that adds a party to an action.

A person not represented by an attorney is generally not allowed to electronically file and must submit paper for filing. Electronic filing is only permitted by court order.