

NEWS FROM U.S. DISTRICT COURT

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Disbursement of Registry Funds. If you file an action for interpleader in our Court, you will want to review the <u>Standing Order Regarding Deposit</u>, <u>Investment and Disbursement of Registry Funds</u>. Among other things, it prohibits sending money to the court for deposit without a court order signed by the presiding judge. It also clarifies that Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) is the preferred method of disbursing funds, although issuance of a US Treasury check is permissible for payments under \$500,000. A court order is required to disburse registry funds, which must identify the payee(s), amount of the principal to be paid, interest payable on the principal, if applicable, and the source of the money for each payment. If payment is to be made via EFT, the motion and proposed order must be accompanied by a completed W-9 and AO 213 Vendor Information/Certification form which is available on the court's website. For additional information, please contact our Finance Office at 605-977-8955.

New Civil Event in CM/ECF. The Court's dictionary team has created a new event in CM/ECF entitled Amended Notice of Removal. This event allows the attorney to file the amended notice, and also allows them to add additional parties to the case, if necessary. This event is found under Civil → Other Filings → Notices → Amended Notice of Removal. Step-by-step directions on how to file the amended notice and add a new party can be found beginning on page 72 of the CM/ECF User Manual located on the Court's website.