

## § 2-221. Electronic signatures.

(A) Form. An electronic signature (E-Signature) is created by typing "/s/" followed by the typed name of the person who is signing the document. An electronic notary stamp may be typed using the stamp format "seal, notary public, State of [state name]," and commission expiration date. When transmitted through E-Filing, E-Signatures and electronic notary stamps shall satisfy signature and certification requirements. If the notarial commission of the particular notary public whose seal is being depicted is limited by county, the filing party shall use the electronic stamp format "seal, notary public, State of [state name], County of [county name]." Other seals or stamps, such as those of courts, public bodies, agencies, or officials, or corporations, may be typed using the electronic stamp format "seal, [alphanumeric content of seal]." Signatures of parties, witnesses, and notaries, and notary stamps or other seals, shall not be typed or otherwise depicted on documents transmitted through E-Filing unless the filing party has possession of the original document or documents bearing such signatures and stamps. In addition to the E-Signature, the user shall include his or her bar number, e-mail address, mailing address, and telephone number under the E-Signature.

(B) If a document is E-Filed by a registered user without an E-Signature, the document shall be deemed to contain the E-Signature of the registered user.

(C) Court officials are also authorized to use E-Signatures on documents filed and served through E-Filing and E-Service.

(D) When an E-Signature is affixed to a document or is deemed to be affixed to a document, that E-Signature shall have the same effect pursuant to the Nebraska Court Rules of Appellate Practice as a handwritten signature of the person whose name appears or is deemed to appear thereon.

(E) In the event a document is E-Filed by an attorney who has not previously appeared in the proceeding in which said document is filed, the E-Signature on the document shall operate as a notice of appearance by the filer for the party on whose behalf the document was filed.

(F) If a document requires multiple signatures, the filer of the document shall list thereon the names of all signatories, which shall serve as the filer's attestation that each of the other signatories has concurred in the E-Filing of the document. In addition to the names of all signatories, the filer shall list each signatory's e-mail address, mailing address, and telephone number. A document that requires the signatures of opposing parties or counsel (such as a stipulation) may be electronically filed by typing the names of each signing party or counsel, but the filer is required to first obtain the original signatures of all opposing parties or counsel on a printed document.

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