

Multifactor Authentication for CM/ECF and PACER Starting May 11, 2025

On May 11, 2025, the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts (AO) will begin implementing multifactor authentication (MFA) to enhance system security for CM/ECF and PACER. MFA provides an added layer of security to accounts by helping protect against cyberattacks that steal passwords, significantly reducing the risk of unauthorized access.

Once implemented, all CM/ECF and PACER users will be able to enroll in MFA. Users with filing and all other types of CM/ECF-level access are encouraged to enroll in MFA at their earliest convenience to preserve uninterrupted access. Those who do not voluntarily enroll in MFA will be randomly selected to enroll starting in August 2025. Those users with PACER-only access will have the option to enroll.

Please see the announcement on the PACER website which details the impending changes and includes updated documentation and learning aids.

<https://pacer.uscourts.gov/announcements/2025/05/02/multifactor-authentication-coming-soon>