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I. POLICY STATEMENT

It shall be the policy of the Minnesota Judicial Branch that it endorse the establishment of a means for filing electronic documents with Minnesota Courts, as an alternative to filing paper documents, and a scheme under which electronic signature marks may be used as a valid substitute for handwritten signatures on electronic documents filed, all of which shall be done in a manner that:

- a. satisfies the underlying purposes of court rules and statutes surrounding paper filings and handwritten signatures;
- b. maximizes the ability of court customers, of all types, to file electronic documents with electronic signature marks; and
- c. creates benefits and efficiencies for filers, the public, and Minnesota courts.

II. IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITY

Implementation of this policy shall be the responsibility of the State Court Administrator, acting as the Judicial Council's agent.

III. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

All means established for electronic filing and marks must be in compliance with court rules.