IN THE KING COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON AND THE CITIES OF ALGONA, AUBURN, BEAUX ARTS, BELLEVUE, BURIEN, CARNATION, COVINGTON, KENMORE, PACIFIC, REDMOND, SAMMAMISH, SHORELINE, AND SKYKOMISH

IN THE MATTER OF THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO THE NOVEMBER 13, 2026, OUTAGE OF THE KING COUNTY DISTRICT COURT E-FILING AND CASE ACCESS PUBLIC PORTAL	)))	EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2026-01

This matter comes before the Court to address the emergency outage of the King County District Court E-Filing and Case Access Public Portal.

1. On November 13, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., Journal Technologies, Inc., the provider of the eCourt Case Management System (CMS) for King County District Court, alerted its users to a critical vulnerability in its systems. Journal Technologies urged users to take public access portals offline until the issue is resolved.

2. Upon receiving this information, King County District Court shut down access to the E-Filing and Case Access Public Portal for security purposes.

3. Since then, the Court's Information Technology Department has been working with Journal Technologies to resolve this issue.

4. Internal Court access to eCourt and eProbation are not affected by this outage.

5. It is unclear when the security issue will be fully resolved, and when public access to the E-Filing and Case Access Public Portal will be restored.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that effective November 13, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., electronic filing requirements pursuant to Local Court Rules will be suspended, and:

a. filing via e-mail to the specific court location general e-mail address is authorized for all criminal matters and for civil matters that do not require payment of a filing fee to initiate proceedings.

b. The fee assessed to lawyers for failing to file electronically shall not be imposed.

c. In recognition that the outage is ongoing and impacts the parties' ability to easily file documents, judges may consider this outage when deciding whether to extend filing deadlines.

d. In person filing at any courthouse remains an option for filers.

This order may be modified consistent with the Court's continuing assessment of the needs of the Court, court security, the needs of the public, and recommendations by the Court's Information Technology Department.

DATED this 20th day of November 2026.

Acting Chief Presiding Judge (Corinna Harn)