

Public Record Update April 2017

New Idaho Court Online Access System Delayed

The Idaho Judiciary has delayed its transition to a new case management system called **iCourts** for court filing and records. The new system is an Odyssey product from Tyler Technologies and will replace the existing system called **iStars**. At this time Ada and Twin Falls counties are running on the new system, but ten more counties were scheduled to move onto the new system in the Spring of 2017. However, this has been delayed due to the need to fix some bugs and reportedly per revenue shortfalls in the counties.

Overall, the transition is expected to take 3 years to realize all statewide benefits. Once the complete system is fully deployed to all counties, it will provide improved access to electronic court records, hearing schedules, court documents, e-filing and more. At present, public access is limited to case document information. The plan is to first give judges and attorneys online access to trial court records including the ability view court documents and files. Eventually the public will have access to case documents also, but not for several years.

Below is a brief overview of each system.

About iCourts

The web page for searching is <https://mycourts.idaho.gov/odysseyportal>. As mentioned only Ada and Twin Falls counties are on the new system. The docket index may be search by name or by case number. Initial results show the case number and sometimes the year of birth.

The Judiciary's schedule to add counties has Blaine, Boise, Camas, Canyon, Cassia, Elmore, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Owyhee and Valley Counties transitioning to iCourt in October 2017. Then Adams, Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Gem, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, Payette, Shoshone, Washington Counties will migrate in April 2018. The remaining 16 counties, Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power and Teton, will go live in October 2018.

As mentioned, the public's ability to view case documents online at these courts will be delayed to at least 2018.

About iStars

For all counties except Ada and Twin Falls, free access to trial court record index is provided at <https://www.idcourts.us/repository/start.do>. Records are searchable by name statewide or by individual county, and by case number. Results date back to 1995 or further depending on the county. Online results include identifiers year of birth and middle initial. The following personal information is not released: DL,

address, first 6 characters of the SSN, and the month and day of birth. In general, records go back to 1995. Court calendars are also shown on this site. Send questions to repositoryaccess@idcourts.net.

Online/Onsite Equivalency

The terminals at the court house go back further, show the class of record, and can have more dispositions reported when compared to the older online system. Thus, iStars is not thought to be equivalent to an onsite search at the courthouse. It is not yet known if the new system will be online/onsite equivalent.

Indiana Expanding Trial Court Records Available Online

Following recommendations made by the Advisory Task Force on Remote Access to and Privacy of Electronic Court Records, more records will be made available on the state's case management system at mycase.in.gov (<https://public.courts.in.gov/mycase/#/vw/Search>). The Indiana Supreme Court Order mandated these changes via Cause 94S00-1702-MS-52. According to the Order, seven specific types of records are to be placed online.

Below is a quick summary with dates of availability. The Order with full details may be viewed at www.in.gov/judiciary/files/order-other-2017-94S00-1702-MS-52.pdf

1. Financial Payments - on or after March 1, 2017
2. Public Access to all Orders in Select Civil Cases - on or after March 1, 2017
3. Expungement (XP) Pleadings and Orders - on or after March 1, 2017
4. Attorney Access to documents on cases displayed on mycase.in.gov - on or after May 1, 2017
5. Public Access to Final Orders in Criminal Cases - on or after August 1, 2017
6. Attorney of Record Will have Full Access to All Documents - on or after September 1, 2017
7. Party Access to Will have Full Access to All Documents (except if sealed) - on or after November 1, 2017

There are Two Online Resources in Indiana

There are two online systems in the state with docket information from the Circuit and Superior courts, plus some of the City courts. Neither provides all 92 counties in the state. However, the system with the most participating counties (90) counties with a search of the case index is DoxPop <https://www.doxpop.com/prod/>.

DoxPop is working to secure the additional online data described above available on it's system as well. A quick comment - the DoxPop system has been the system of choice for many local Indiana PIs and CRAs, so it is hoped they will be able to also include this data on their system.

More Court News

Denton County, TX

Two Justice of the Peace Courts in Denton County are moving late this Spring. Justice of the Peace Precinct 4 located in Roanoke is moving to Flower Mound. The court is moving from 816 N Highway 37, Roanoke, TX 76262 to 6200 Canyon Falls Dr, Ste 101, Flower Mound, TX 76226.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 in New Colony is moving from 6301 Main St. which is also known as FM 423 to a new location on FM423 one mile North. This move is scheduled in June but the exact address has not yet been released. The phone numbers will remain the same.

Lewisboro Justice Court in Westchester County, NY

Effective May 1st, 2017, the new physical address for this town court is 79 Bouton Road, South Salem NY, 10590. The phone numbers remain the same.

Rouses Point Village Court in Clinton County, NY

Effective April 1, 2017, this court location closed. All files and open cases were transferred to the **Champlain Town Court**.
