

Justice For All Successfully Launched

The Tennessee Supreme Court launched a new website this week to provide the public with valuable resources to help navigate the court system. The new site, JusticeForAllTN.com, is intended to assist people with civil legal issues who cannot afford legal representation.

The Justice for All website includes downloadable court forms, resources for representing yourself in court, information about common legal issues and an interactive map with resources for each of the state's 95 counties. Thanks to a partnership with the Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services and the Tennessee Bar Association, the site also gives visitors the ability to email a volunteer attorney with questions.

"We view the Justice For All website as a clearinghouse of information and legal resources for Tennesseans facing civil legal issues without the assistance of an attorney," said Tennessee Supreme Court Chief Justice Cornelia A. Clark. "We hope this site can make the legal system more accessible for all Tennesseans, regardless of income level."

The Justice For All website also features a dedicated section for attorneys, business leaders and community members who wish to offer their assistance to the access to justice effort. This section of the site includes tools for attorneys to create their own pro bono clinic and links to various volunteer opportunities with legal aid organizations and bar associations across the state.

"Attorneys and community members are valuable partners in our efforts to improve access to justice in Tennessee," Clark said. "We hope this site provides them with the tools and resources they need to continue the great work they are doing to offer pro bono assistance in their communities."

Earlier this year, the Tennessee Court system also launched a redesigned version of its website, TNCourts.gov, to provide improved access to court information. The redesigned site features an interactive map of court contact information for each of the 95 counties in the state, an enhanced appellate court opinion search, a calendar

with appellate court dockets and a robust site-wide search. The site also allows visitors to sign up to receive appellate court opinions or news releases through an RSS feed or via email.

Visitors can also sign up to follow the Court system on Twitter to receive updates about court opinions and other court news throughout the state. Tennessee was of the first court systems in the country to start using Twitter more than two years ago. More than 2,000 people currently receive updates from the Court system via Twitter.

“We believe that using social media offers a great way to reach an expanded audience who may not otherwise seek information about the courts,” Clark said.

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