Subject:	NextGen is Coming to the U.S. Bankruptcy Court - Western District of Wisconsin! (ACTION REQUIRED)
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On Monday, March 30, 2020, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Wisconsin will go live on the Next Generation of CM/ECF (NextGen CM/ECF), the latest iteration of the national case management and electronic case filing system. NextGen is the culmination of a multi-year project headed by the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts to provide for the current and future filing and case management needs of all CM/ECF users.

What's New for Attorneys/Limited Users in NextGen?

Central Sign-On is a new functionality that allows CM/ECF users to maintain one account across all NextGen courts (appellate, bankruptcy, and district). It allows users to use one login and password to access PACER for all courts in addition to all NextGen courts where they have permission to file.

The process to prepare users for NextGen CM/ECF is a four step process. The four steps are handled by you, the CM/ECF user.

Step One:

Obtain your own individual PACER account. You can register for a new PACER account by following these steps at <u>https://www.wiwb.uscourts.gov/register-pacer-account</u>. You can skip this step if you already have your own PACER account.

Step Two:

If your individual PACER account was created prior to August 11, 2014 (also known as a legacy account), you must upgrade your account before you can electronically file in a NextGen court. Please see the learning module on upgrading your PACER account <u>here</u> and directions <u>here</u>.

Step Three:

Identify your current CM/ECF login and password. You will need to know your current login and password for step four. If you need assistance with your login and password or have a question, please contact the clerk's office at (608) 264-5178 or (715) 839-2980.

Step Four:

Upon Go-Live (on or after March 30, 2020), you will need to link your upgraded PACER account to your WIWB NextGen CM/ECF account. Users will NOT be able to file in NextGen until their CM/ECF account is linked to their upgraded individual PACER account. We will send an e-mail during the week of March 23, 2020, with instructions on how to complete the fourth step.

You can read more about NextGen CM/ECF on the court's website <u>here</u>. If you have a question about the upgrade process, please review the PACER FAQ section <u>here</u>. You can also contact the PACER Service Center at (800) 676-6856 or the court's help-desk at (800) 373-8708.