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August 7, 1997

MEMORANDUM TO: Arnold E. Levin, Acting Director Office of Information Resources Management

FROM: B. Paul Cotter, Jr. Chief Administrative Judge

SUBJECT: LEXIS-NEXIS CLAD SYSTEM

Attached is information on the complex litigation automated docket system we examined at the Superior Court in Wilmington, Delaware. We learned that the system costs the court nothing and is paid for by user fees assessed on each transaction. The CLAD system is a Lexis-Nexis product now in use in up to a half dozen states for large record, complex litigation like asbestos cases.

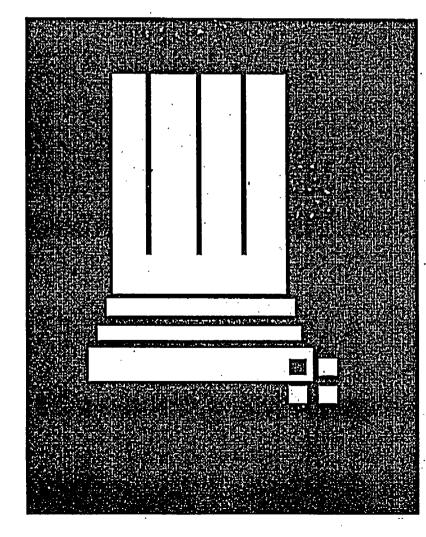
It appears that there may be three companies with products like this, Lexis, West. and a third company in Texas.

I am about to send a memo noting my objections to the LSS SECY Paper 97-154 and will copy you (nothing personal). If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Attachment: As stated

cc w/att: A. L. Bates, SECY J. T. Greeves, NMSS M. A. Young, OGC

# SUPERIOR COURT OF DELAWARE



Complex

X252

# Litigation

Automated

Docket

## **TRADITIONAL FILING**

- Preparation of document
- Document reduced to paper
- Distribution
- Clock-in at clerk's office
- Docketing
- Accounting
- Filing
- Internal routing
- Document review

## **ELECTRONIC FILING**

- Preparation of document
- Upload to database
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- Document review

# CLAD

## System Features

- Electronic signature/password access
- Documents filed in word processor format
- Instant retrieval of filed documents
- Automated docket numbering
- Toll-free 800 number
- View filing activity free of charge
- Retrieval of complete or partial docket listings
- Available 24 hours a day
- Full-text searching in LEXIS Private Library

## **ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE**

The utilization of a password for the purposes of filing a pleading shall constitute a signature of the registrant of that password under Superior Court Civil Rule 11.

Superior Court Civil Rule 79.1

# **CLAD** Requirements

## **Hardware**

- Computer
- Modem
- Phone line
- Printer (optional)

## **Software**

- CLADTRAN (provided free of charge)
- LEXIS/NEXIS Software (optional)
- Word processing software

# CLAD

## How to file:

- Dial Clad system
- Enter ID and Password
- Identify category of document
- Answer prompts about document
  - related document information
  - objection date and time
  - hearing date and time
- Type in title of document
- Send document
- Receive confirmation screen / file

## CLAD LOGON SCREEN COMPLEX LITIGATION AUTOMATED DOCKET SYSTEM SUPERIOR COURT OF DELAWARE

Welcome to the CLAD system!

Line connected Tuesday, October 17, 1995 at 2:10 p.m. (port 3) Press ENTER to begin . . .

Please enter your Attorney ID: 42807 Please enter your Password (dots will echo): .....

Please enter the Client ID: 17

## CLAD Main Menu Complex Litigation Automated Docket System Superior Court of Delaware

**User: Judith Fisher** 

Your Options are:

[F] File a Document

[R] Retrieve a Document or Docket List

[C] Change Attorney ID and Password

[Q] Quit CLAD System

Please choose an option [F/R/C/Q] :

CLAD Document Filing Complex Litigation Automated Docket System Superior Court of Delaware

Filing for Client:

**Upload for Prothonotary's Office** 

Case: Aetna Casualty vs. Zeneca, Inc. et al.

Correct [Y/N] ? :

### **CLAD** Filing

### **Docket Category Selection**

Main Menu of Docket Categories

- 1 Complaints and Answers
- 2 Discovery
- 3 Motions
- 4 Responses to Motions
- 5 Briefs/Letters/Memoranda
- 6 Other
- 7 Court Generated Document

Please select an option: 7

### CLAD

### **Docket Category Selection**

## Submenu of Docket Categories: Court Generated Documents

- 1 Case Management Order
- 2 Case Scheduling Order
- 3 Order
- 4 Opinion
- 5 Letter
- 6 Notice of Hearing
- 7 Notice of Trial
- 8 Transcript of Hearing
- 9 Prothonotary Conference Worksheet
- 10 Supreme Court Mandate

Please Select an option :

3 (ORDER)

## CLAD Filing Document Title Entry

Please enter the TITLE of the document: (Press ENTER when finished)

ORDER TO PRACTICE PRO HAC VICE

Please select your WP or ASCII file now: (Press ENTER when finished)

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\*\*\*\*\*\*FILE SENT\*\*\*\*\*

### DOCKET

- 6. 1074, 10/25/93, London Market Insurers; Zurich Internatinoal, Ltd., LETTER TO THE HONORABLE MYRON T. STEELE RE COURTESY COPY OF A MOTION AND ORDER FOR THE ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF Sean P. Joyce, 89C-AU-99-1-CV
- 7. 1075, 10/25/93, London Market Insurers; NOTICE OF AND MOTION AND ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF Sean P. Joyce, 89C-AU-99-1-CV
- 8. 1076, 10/25/93, Judge Myron T. Steele, ORDER TO PRACTICE PRO HAC VICE, 89C-AU-99-1-CV
- 9. 1077, 10/28/93, E.I. duPont de Nemours & Company, NOTICE OF MOTION; MOTION AND ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE (Teresa M. Gillis), 89C-AU-99-1-CV

10. 1077, 10/28/93, E.I. duPont de Nemours & Company, NOTICE OF MOTION; MOTION AND ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE (Mark R. Hoffenberg), 89C-AU-99-1-CV

### **CLAD Document Retrieval**

#### **Current Case Information:**

| Number | Description | <b>Civil Action Number First</b> |          | Last   |
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| 1      | Rhone       | 87C-09-11                        | 1044     | 1513   |
| 2      | Playtex     | 88C-MR-233                       | 1392     | 1574   |
| 3      | BNRC        | 90C-07-108                       | 424      | 2124 +   |
| 4      | Aetna       | 93C-06-125                       | 1        | 458  |
| 5      | Hercules    | 92C-10-105                       | 1        | 717  |
| · 6    | Zeneca      | 93C-06-250                       | 1        | 29   |
| 7      | duPont      | 89C-AU-99-1                      | 722      | 2266   |
| 8      | НСС         | 89C-09-035                       | 1313     | 4260 +   |
| 9      | Monsanto    | 88C-01-118                       | 2239     | 6114   |
| 10     | NAPC        | 88C-01-155                       | 1257     | 3861 +   |
| 11     | Sequa       | 89C-04-001                       | 611      | 941  |
| 12     | Gen Bat     | 93C-11-008                       | 1        | 476 +*   |
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Please choose a case number (or M for Main Menu) :

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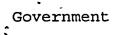
Case Status as of 2/05/97

| CASE NAME                       | JUDGE | PARTIES | FILINGS |
|---------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|
| Playtex vs Columbia Casualty    | SDP   | 15      | 311     |
| Natl Union vs Rhone-Polenc      | WBC   | 4       | 726     |
| Burl. Northern Rail. vs Allianz | JEB   | 40      | 1850    |
| N. Amer. Phillips vs. Aetna     | VAB   | 32      | 3188    |
| Dupont vs Admiral Insur.        | MTS   | 110     | 1948    |
| Monsanto vs. Aetna              | HDR   | 37      | 4312    |
| Sequa vs. Aetna                 | JOH   | 54      | 549     |
| Hercules vs. Aetna              | FSS   | 44      | 1706    |
| Hoechst vs. Nat'l Union         | RSG   | 54      | 3414    |
| Aetna vs. Zeneca                | CHT   | 10      | 29      |
| Aetna vs. Centainteed           | SDP   | 28      | 539     |
| General Battery vs. Continental | WCC   | 75      | 1162    |
| Asbestos Cases (> 1000 cases)   | RSG   |         | 38469   |

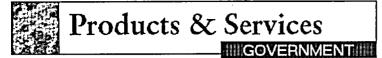
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Complex Litigation Automated Docketing (<u>CLAD</u>) has enabled the electronic filing and retrieval of full-text pleadings and related documents from multiple complex insurance cases, more than 1,000 asbestos cases, bankruptcy cases, and others. This has significantly reduced the time typically required by the Court and law firms to collect and distribute litigation-related material.

CLAD materialized when Judge Susan C. Del Pesco, chairperson of Delaware Superior Court's Complex Rules Advisory Committee, asked Richard K. Herrmann, partner in the firm of Baynard, Handelman & Murdoch of Wilmington, Delaware, to develop a plan to electronically harness the information generated by law firms for filing with the Court.

The Delaware Court felt that its insurance and asbestos cases comprised an ideal opportunity for the development of an electronic storage system. Aside from the difficulties in managing and reviewing the anticipated masses of documents, the Court wanted to simplify communication in cases involving a large number of law firms.

#### Security

When Court-authorized users wish to file a document with the Court, they simply call the CLAD toll-free telephone number and enter the CLAD filing ID and password. A series of on-screen prompts leads the user through the filing process. Filings are immediately available to all authorized users.

#### Less paper

Because filing pleadings, briefs and other documents requires masses of paper, reducing paper ultimately means more efficient management of the court docket. An electronic system means that authorized users can easily file documents and readily sort through a large volume of information to locate specific information.

#### Easy to use

To simplify the filing process, the computer leads the way by asking a series of questions, or giving prompts. Basically, the user enters their ID number and a name for their document. Then they send the document from the PC in a pre-determined format, such as word processing or ASCII. After confirmation, the filing is instantly available.

#### **CLAD Offers these Advantages:**

#### Benefits to the Court

- □ Makes paper management efficient
- □ Minimizes impact of staff reductions
- □ Immediately accessible

- □ Full-text searching of CLAD information
- □ NO COST for customizing to the Court's specifications, for use of CLAD, for software, and for training of court-authorized users
- □ We handle invoicing of court-authorized users for their filing and retrieving
- □ Standardization of filings
- $\Box$  Can be used in conjunction with existing case management programs.

#### **Benefits to Authorized Users**

- □ Immediate access to filings
- □ Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week -- no more 5:00pm deadlines
- □ All you need is a PC, modem and phoneline
- □ No more overnight couriers and day runners -- you file one time and others have access
- □ Minimal cost to file, retrieve, or search documents
- □ Invoices track for charge back to the client
- Full-text searching of CLAD information
  Download into selected word processing format
- □ Available in printed and electronic formats

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#### Yesterday's Docket list is available for the following cases:

94-VS-0000001 (A01) - FT VALLEY LITIGATION <u>94-VS-0087120 (A02)</u> - Wells vs. Reichhold <u>94-VS-0087151 (A03)</u> - Cullens vs. Reichhold 94-VS-0087152 (A04) - Zellner vs. Reichhold 94-VS-0087153 (A05) - Crafter vs. Reichhold <u>94-VS-0087154 (A06)</u> - Hillsman vs. Reichhold <u>95-VS-0102647 (A07)</u> - Usher Temple v. Reichhold

95-VS-0102647 (B01) - Usher's v. Reichhold

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**Case: FT VALLEY LITIGATION** 

No Documents.

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