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### MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 14, 2021

TO: All Judges  
cc: Court Administrators  
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FROM: Thomas P. Boyd

RE: Update of MiFILE Implementation Rollout Strategy<sup>1</sup>

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2020 was a year of great change, and I am very proud of how Michigan courts met the challenge of the pandemic and kept our justice system running and serving the public. Based on our experience implementing MiFILE in the three model courts,<sup>2</sup> and because of the COVID-19 impact on courts, we now have the opportunity to revise our approach to best accommodate those trial courts who are ready and have an interest in implementing MiFILE, and that considers specific selection criteria to enable SCAO to implement at a pace that is efficient and feasible.

Courts statewide will receive a survey that will provide SCAO with information necessary to develop specific, detailed selection criteria for the new rollout strategy. Completing the survey promptly is important so that the rollout can proceed as quickly as possible. You will be able to indicate your court's interest in beginning the implementation process. The MiFILE implementation team will assess completed surveys and begin the process for prioritizing courts for implementation. We will contact your court when you are identified as a candidate to begin the implementation process.

Your continued support of MiFILE by providing necessary feedback is important to the success of this project and very much appreciated. The end result will be another major step forward in implementing the biggest advancement in court administration in our lifetimes. Please contact [MiFILECourtHelp@courts.mi.gov](mailto:MiFILECourtHelp@courts.mi.gov) with additional questions.

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<sup>1</sup> Michigan Court Rule 1.109(G)(3)(a)

<sup>2</sup> 37th District Court ([Warren](#)), [Ottawa](#) County Probate, and [Washtenaw](#) County Trial Court.