



**Superior Court of California
County of Orange**

NEWS RELEASE

Media and Community Relations Office
Contact: Carole Levitzky
clevitzky@occourts.org
(714) 834-7623

September 7, 2005

**ORANGE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT RECEIVES
TOP AWARD FOR ITS E-FILING PROGRAM
FOR CIVIL COMPLEX CASES**

The Orange County Superior Court received a RALPH N. KLEPS Award from the Judicial Council of California for its development of a simple e-filing program that allows litigants to file legal pleadings in Civil Complex cases via the Court's website.

"This easy-to-use program enhances service to the public while saving the Court the cost of converting documents from paper to electronic format," said Chief Executive Officer Alan Slater. "Attorneys are impressed with e-filing because there is no extra charge to use the program and it saves them time," Slater added.

From March 2003 to June 2005, more than 9,500 documents with 86,000 pages were filed electronically. Nearly 1,000 attorneys have registered to participate in the program. Additional information regarding registration for the e-filing program is available at www.occourts.org/complexcivil/efilemat.pdf

Chief Justice Ronald M. George presented the award to the Court at the annual Judicial Administration Conference awards luncheon, held in San Diego. The annual award, instituted in 1991, is given in recognition of innovative state court programs and is named for California's first Administrative Director of the Courts, Ralph N. Kleps.

Court Release #09-05

Visit Our Web Site: www.occourts.org
700 Civic Center Drive, West
Santa Ana, California 92702