

# THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED  
AMENDMENTS TO RAP 18.5—SERVICE AND  
FILING OF PAPERS

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## **ORDER**

NO. 25700-A-1588

The Washington State Court of Appeals Rules Committee, having recommended the adoption of the proposed amendments to RAP 18.5—Service and Filing of Papers, and the Court having considered the proposed amendments, and having determined that the proposed amendments will aid in the prompt and orderly administration of justice;

Now, therefore, it is hereby


**ORDERED:**

- (a) That the proposed amendments as attached hereto are adopted.
- (b) That pursuant to the emergency provisions of GR 9(j)(1), the proposed amendments will be expeditiously published in the Washington Reports and will become effective upon publication.

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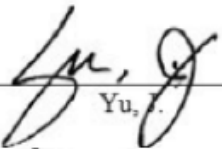
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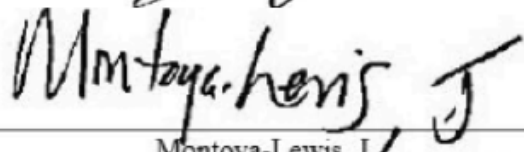
  
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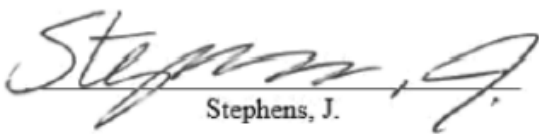
  
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**RAP 18.5**

**SERVICE AND FILING OF PAPERS**

**(a) Nonelectronic Filing.**

(i) ~~Service~~ Service. Except when a rule requires the appellate court commissioner or clerk of the trial court clerk to serve a particular paper, and except as provided in rule 9.5, a person filing a paper must, at or before the time of filing, serve a copy of the paper on all parties, amicus, and other persons who may be entitled to notice. If a person does not have an attorney of record, service should be made upon the person. Service must be made as provided CR 5(b), (f), and (g).

~~(b) (ii) Proof of Service~~ Proof of Service. Proof of service should be made by an acknowledgment of service, or by an affidavit, or, if service is by mail, as provided in CR 5(b). Proof of service may appear on or be attached to the papers filed.

**(b) Electronic Filing.** When documents are filed electronically, the service and proof of service requirements set forth in subsection (a) apply to only parties, amicus, or other persons who are entitled to service but do not participate in electronic filing.

**(c)-(e)** [Unchanged.]

References

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