

# LINK YOUR PACER & NEXTGEN CM/ECF ACCOUNTS

**\*\*NOTE: This process CANNOT be completed until the Eastern District of Pennsylvania has migrated to NextGen CM/ECF, which is scheduled to occur on July 26, 2021. \*\***

Once the Eastern District of Pennsylvania has migrated to NextGen, your upgraded PACER account must be linked to your CM/ECF filing account. **This is a one-time procedure.** After linking your accounts, you will then use your PACER account for all filing and viewing access to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

**1** GO TO <https://ecf.paed.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/login.pl>

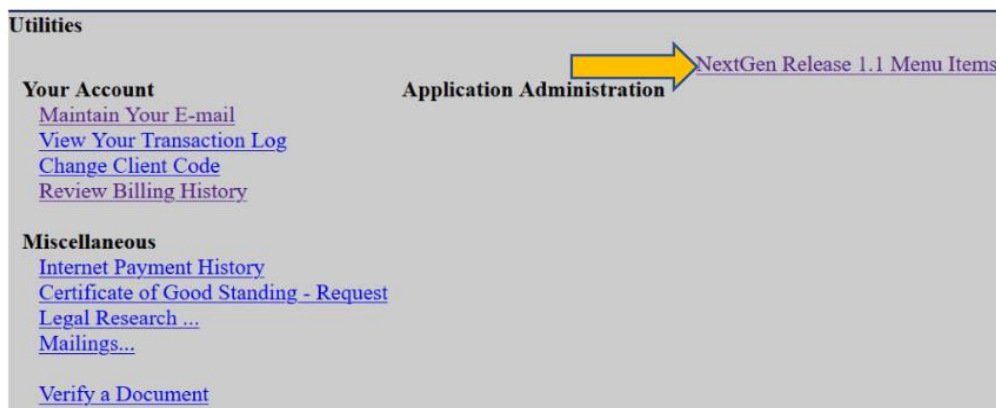
THIS WILL NOW BRING YOU TO THE PACER LOG-IN PAGE

**2** LOG IN USING YOUR PACER LOGIN/PASSWORD

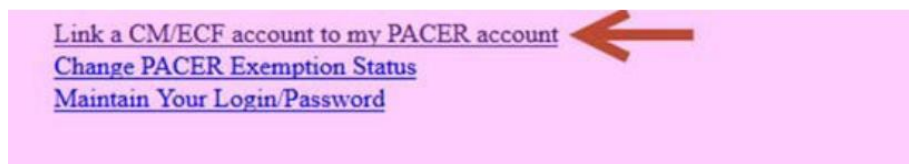
(THIS NEEDS TO BE AN INDIVIDUAL AND UPGRADED ACCOUNT)

**3** CLICK THE **Utilities** TAB ON THE LIMITED MENU BAR

THEN CLICK **NextGen Release 1.1 Menu Items**



**4** SELECT **Link a CM/ECF account to my PACER account**



**5** ENTER YOUR PENNSYLVANIA EASTERN **CM/ECF login** AND **CM/ECF password**

(THIS IS THE ACCOUNT YOU HAVE BEEN USING TO MAKE E-FILINGS IN OUR COURT)

**Link a CM/ECF account to my PACER account**

This utility links your PACER account with your e-filer account in this court.

If you use CM/ECF for PACER only, no action is necessary.

If you had a CM/ECF e-filing account in this court before the court converted to NextGen CM/ECF, e to link the accounts (or go back if the names don't match).

CM/ECF login:

CM/ECF password:

- 6** BE SURE YOU ARE LINKING TO **YOUR** INDIVIDUAL UPGRADED PACER ACCOUNT  
(CAREFULLY VERIFY THAT BOTH THE CM/ECF AND PACER NAMES ARE CORRECT)  
IF THE TWO ACCOUNTS DISPLAYED ARE CORRECT, CLICK **Submit**  
IF NOT, PLEASE CALL THE ECF HELPDESK **1-866-323-4323**



The screenshot shows a pink background with the following text and buttons:

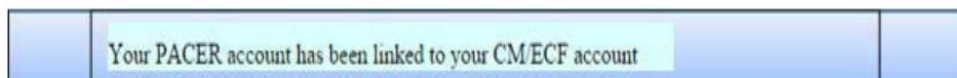
**Link a CM/ECF account to my PACER account**

Do you want to link these accounts?

CM/ECF Atty Alex  
PACER Alex Attorney

After you submit this screen, your old e-filing credentials for the CM

- 7** A CONFIRMATION MESSAGE WILL APPEAR  
YOU WILL NOW USE YOUR PACER ACCOUNT TO E-FILE IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA  
YOUR OLD CM/ECF LOGIN/PASSWORD WILL BE NO LONGER USED OR VALID



- 8** CLICK ON ANY OF THE MENU ITEMS (EXCEPT "Log Out") TO UPDATE YOUR MENU BAR  
THE **Civil** AND **Criminal** TABS WILL NOW APPEAR ON THE MENU BAR  
IF NOT, PLEASE REFRESH YOUR SCREEN OR RESTART YOUR BROWSER

**REMINDERS:**

You will now use your PACER Username and Password to log in to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to both view documents and file pleadings.

You must complete the linking process for each additional court where you e-file as that court migrates to NextGen CM/ECF.

For courts that have not migrated to NextGen, you will continue to e-file with the court-provided CM/ECF log in and password for that specific court.