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October 14, 2014

The Honorable Tim Smith  
Chair, Florida Courts E-Filing Authority  
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RE: Access to Justice Software Interviews and Completed Forms

Dear Clerk Smith:

The Florida Supreme Court enthusiastically supports efforts to ensure that self-represented litigants and all court users are afforded access to justice. As one means of ensuring such access, the Access to Justice software project (A2J) has the full support of Chief Justice Labarga, the other Justices, and the Judicial Management Council.

The Court appreciates the Florida Courts E-Filing Authority's willingness to host this important project on the existing Florida Courts E-Filing Portal. A2J is an important component of Chief Justice Labarga's access to justice initiative. As such, before moving forward with hosting by the Authority, the Court requests confirmation from the Authority that there will be no charge – now or at any time in the future – for court users to access and use the A2J interviews or to complete the Florida Supreme Court approved forms, nor will there be any additional charges of any kind beyond the authorized filing fees for e-filing the completed forms in all Florida courts.

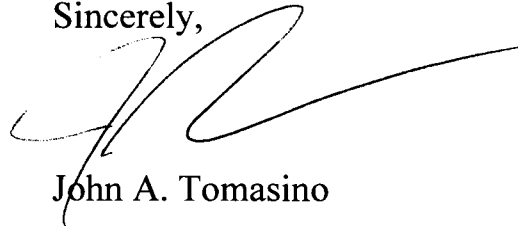
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The Court looks forward to working with the Authority on this collaborative project, as we continue to strengthen the working relationship between the court system and the clerks of court in our mutual service to Floridians.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John A. Tomasino', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John A. Tomasino

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