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Civil Claim

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ABSTRACT

The overall objective of this research is to focus on the electronic filing system used in civil procedures both on the national and international level in order to identify the advantages of the electronic filing system.

A comparative study has been conducted between the electronic filing system used in Thailand and those of foreign countries including the United States of America, Canada, and Singapore.

The research concluded that the main aim foreign countries have adopted similar electronic filing system is because it is convenient, less time consuming, less costly and fair. For these reasons, countries like the United State of America, Canada and Singapore have had adapted information technology to their ordinary system and developed an electronic filing system in order to adopt them into their civil procedures and implement them to civil procedures, federal laws, or rules of the court as required by each individual country.

Secondly, because amendments have been made to Section 68 of the Civil Procedure Code of Thailand, as well as, enacted the Regulation of the Chief Justice related to information technology and electronic method in civil claims, litigants who wanted to submit their civil claim to the court were required to interpret the meaning of the new provisions and the practical application of the new scope.

Moreover, this research will analyses the rules related to electronic filing system in submission of civil claim of foreign countries because it is believed that the system may be of advantage to us. Not only would it benefit us by saving time to prepare court documents but it also save resources as drafts can be saved on personal computers. Documents can be sent to the court directly with no need print out tons of documents to submit to the court. As a result, if Thailand were to apply such an electronic filing system it will definitely be of efficient to the law profession.