


Electronic Compliance and Dismissal (ECAD)
District Court Judges' Summer Conference 2016

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Project Overview and Objectives

As a key early component of Chief Justice Martin's vision of eCourts for North Carolina's Judicial System, the NCAOC was tasked with developing and implementing an electronic compliance and dismissal system.

Project Mandate:

Page I-9 of H.B. 97's Joint Conference Committee Report (September 14, 2015), Item 53 provides funding to the Administrative Office of the Courts for an electronic compliance dismissal project.




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High Level Objectives

1. Provide the public a fast and efficient means of requesting dismissal online for certain traffic violations so they do not have to appear in court.
2. Provide district attorneys an efficient means of reviewing these submissions and approving them for immediate dismissal or denying them.
3. Provide clerks visibility to cases disposed through ECAD.
4. Ensure that the system is secure and fully integrated with existing NCAOC systems.



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Project Approach

- 1. Leverage DMV data to automatically validate compliance for eligible offenses.
- 2. Limit offenses included in the initial ECAD release to those that can be validated automatically.
- 3. Citations with one or more offenses that are not eligible for electronic compliance will be excluded.
- 4. Reduce complexity, scope, and risk for the initial implementation by excluding document upload requirements.
- 5. Limit platforms supported by the initial release to laptop/desktop.

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- 6. Use new Online Services page as an entry point for public users.
- 7. When a DA approves a submitted request, the case will be dismissed without the Clerk having to manually enter any data in CCIS-CC.
- 8. Clerk paper shuck workflow will change as a result of DAs disposing these cases.
- 9. Cutoff times will be needed on user submissions and DA decisions.
- 10. Access ECAD through CCIS-DA functions menu.
- 11. ECAD users must have a bar number and be classified in AOC systems as DA / ADA.

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Eligible Offenses

- 1. 5441 - No operators license
- 2. 4527 - Failure to carry a valid drivers license
- 3. 4574 - Expired operators license
- 4. 4440 - Expired / no inspection
- 5. 5485 - DR / allow registration plate not display
- 6. 5491 - Drive / allow MV no registration
- 7. 4721 - Cancelled/revoked/suspended certificate/tag
- 8. 5461 - Expired registration card/tag

Potential Impact of ECAD

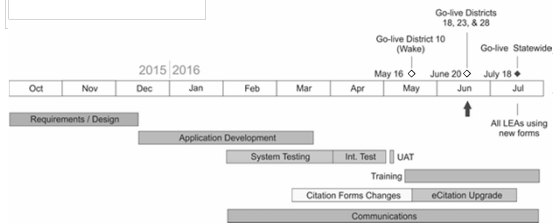
In 2015, over 220,000 cases with ECAD-eligible offenses were dismissed in North Carolina.

This represents a significant portion of the traffic cases handled in our state and underscores the potential positive impact an electronic compliance solution can have.



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ECAD Project Timeline



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ECAD Workflow and Screens



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ECAD Pilot

- On May 10th citations (in eCitation) began changing statewide to inform the public about the option to request dismissal online.
- On May 16th ECAD was launched in Wake County.
- Since May 16th the Wake County District Attorney's office has processed approximately 50 requests, with volume steadily increasing as the public is informed about ECAD.
- The average time from request to dismissal is currently less than one day.

Questions / discussion