

**CM / ECF**

**Version 3.1**  
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**OVERVIEW**

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- The Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act (BAPCPA) of 2005 was signed into law on April 20, 2005.
- Most of the provisions of this Act were effective six months later on October 17, 2005.
- The compiling of additional data in consumer cases became effective 18 months after enactment. Therefore, the requirement for increased statistical reporting becomes effective October 17, 2006.

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CM/ECF Version 3.1 is designed primarily to collect and transmit additional data about bankruptcy filings and adversary proceedings to the Administrative Office's Statistics Division.

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Besides the data required from the BAPCPA, CM/ECF Version 3.1 contains statistical elements from requirements of the Judicial Conference's Committee on the Administration of the Bankruptcy System.

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### **New Reporting Requirements**

- Filing fees
- in forma pauperis
- Assets
- Amended, modified and approved plans
- Chapter 11 trustee activity
- Transfer cases
- Appeals
- Rent deposits
- Damages for creditor misconduct
- Debtor attorney sanctions
- Damages under Rule 9011
- Reaffirmation agreements

CM/ECF v3.1 will be collecting and reporting more data to send to the statistics division. The traditional reporting of case opening and closing data will continue, but new fields from actual docketing events will also be transmitted. This list is an example of the variety of information being gathered.

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These event specific data are extracted through new CM/ECF Event codes that will soon be explained.