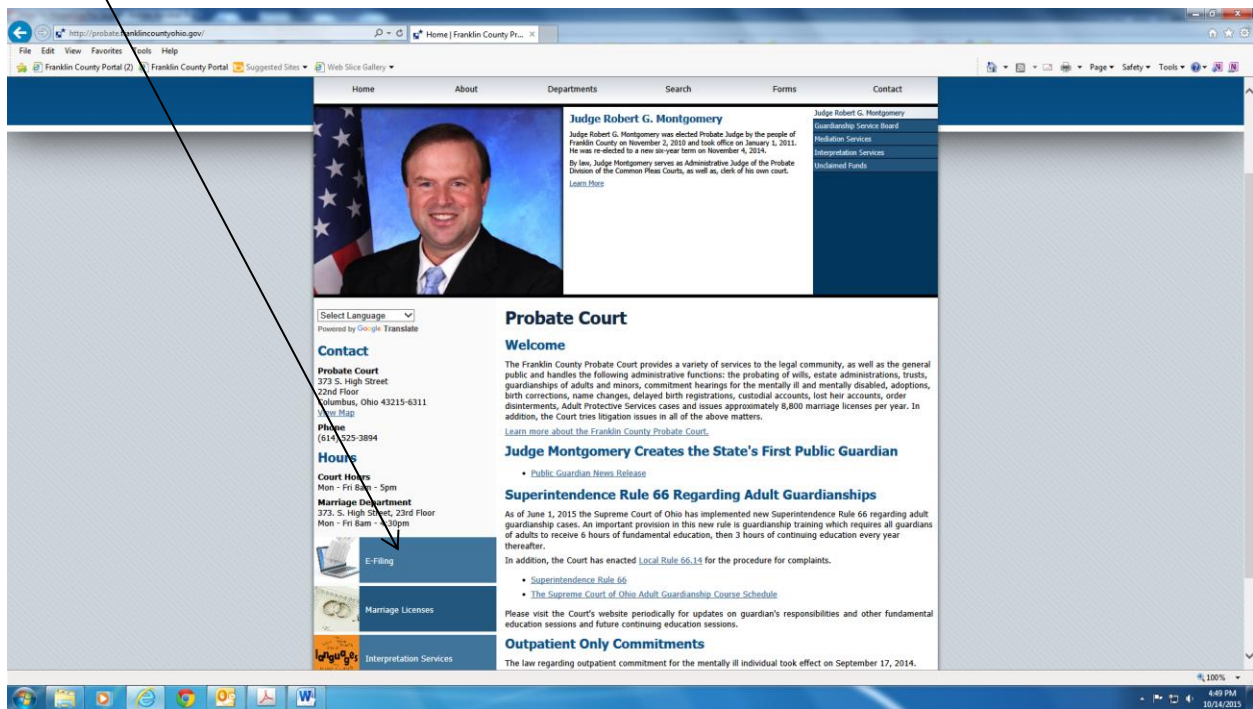
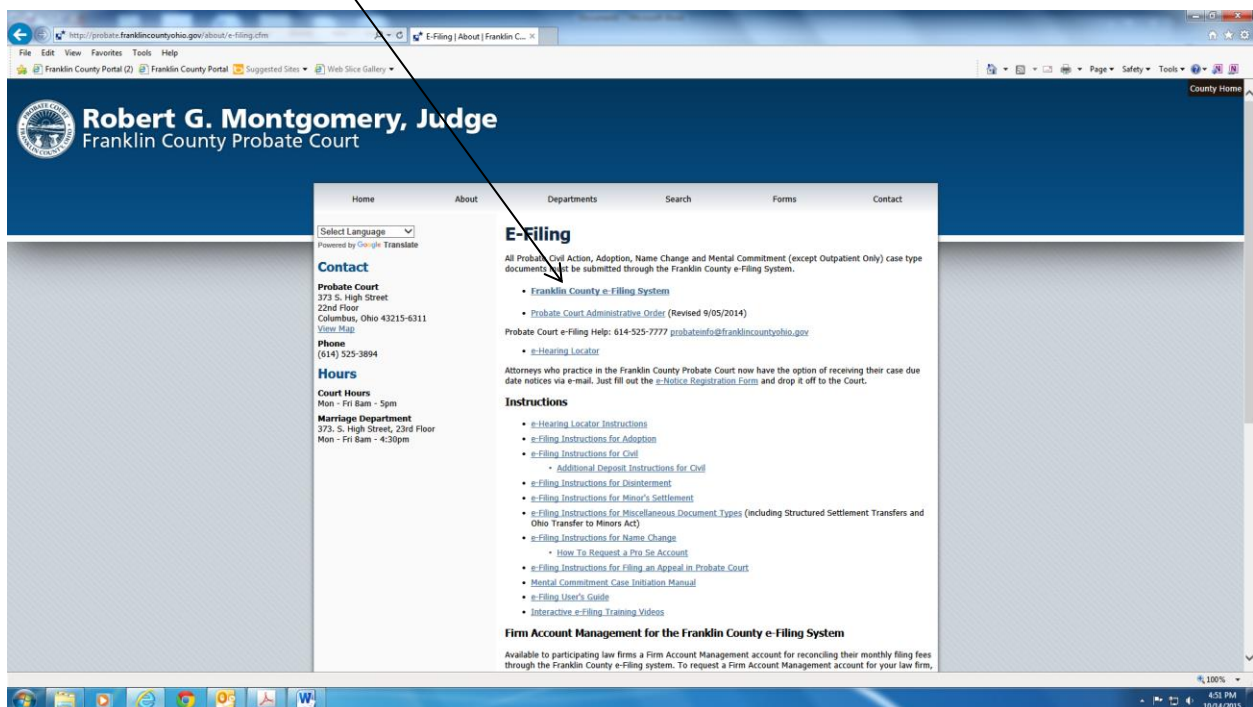


ADOPTION e-Filing INSTRUCTION MANUAL

On the Court's homepage click the e-Filing button.



This will take you to the E-Filing page. Click the Franklin County e-Filing System link.



Log in to the e-Filer's interface. If you do not have a login, choose Request Account to set up your account.

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Franklin County e-Filing website. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://efiletrain.franklincountyohio.gov/>. The website header includes the Franklin County e-Filing logo, a navigation menu with links for Terms of use, Payment policy, and Support, and the text "Electronic Filing" and "powered by eFlex from Tybera". The main content area features a large image of a modern building with a blue "eFile!" callout box. Below the image, a welcome message reads: "Welcome to the Franklin County's e-Filing website. This new service will allow you to initiate a case or file to an existing case electronically. But you must first request an account which is then approved by the Clerk. Please review the Terms of Use policy. Thank you for your participation in the use of our new e-Filing system." To the right of the main content is a "Log In" section with the heading "Enter your User Name and Password." It contains input fields for "User Name:" (with the text "mlmiller") and "Password:" (with masked characters). Below these fields are buttons for "Log In" and "Forgot Your Password?". At the bottom of the login section is a "Request Account" button. The footer of the website includes links for "online help", "about Tybera Development Group, Inc.", and "contact us".

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Please review the Terms of Use policy.

Thank you for your participation in the use of our new e-Filing system.

Log In

Enter your User Name and Password.

User Name: mlmiller

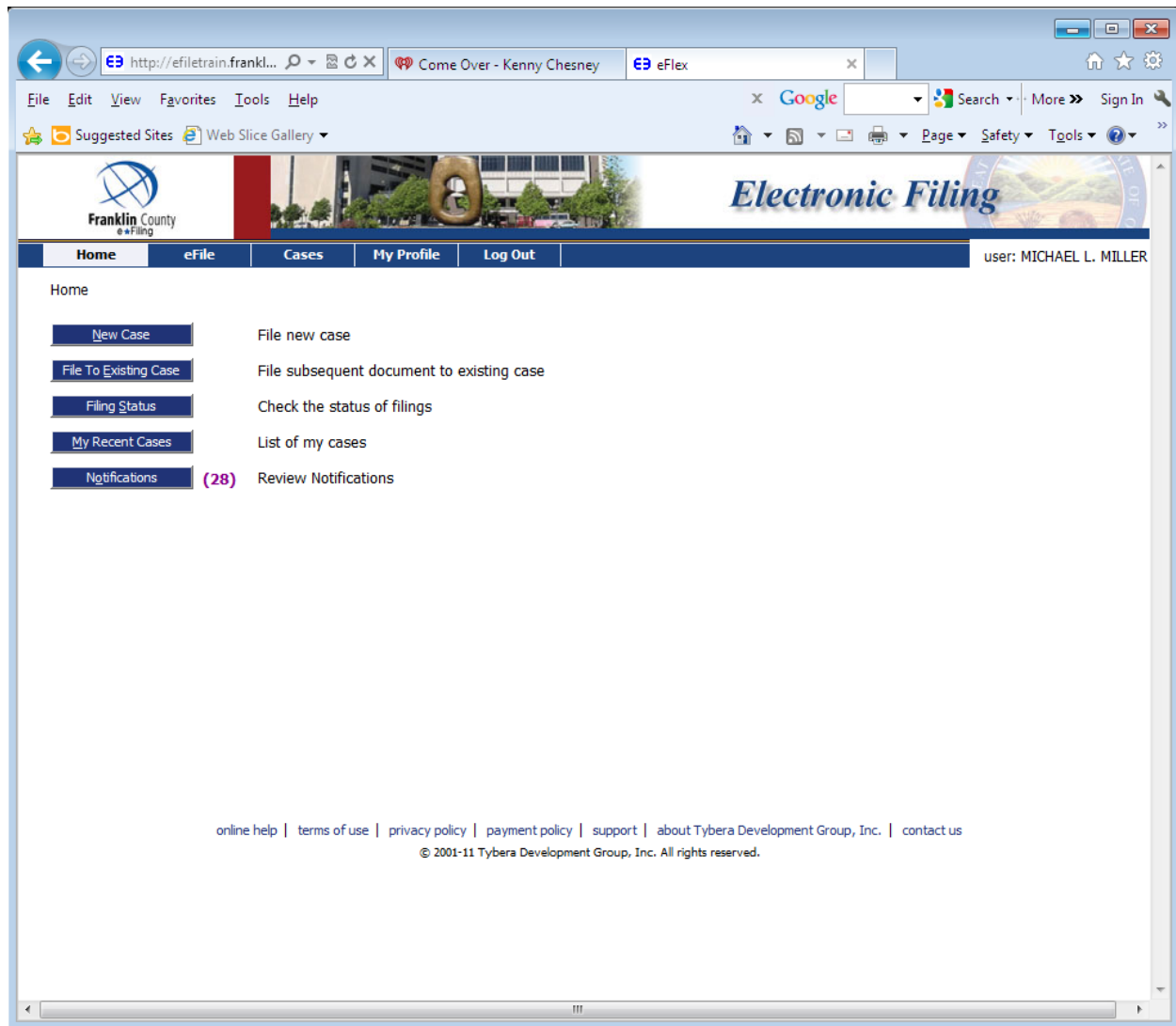
Password:

Log In Forgot Your Password?

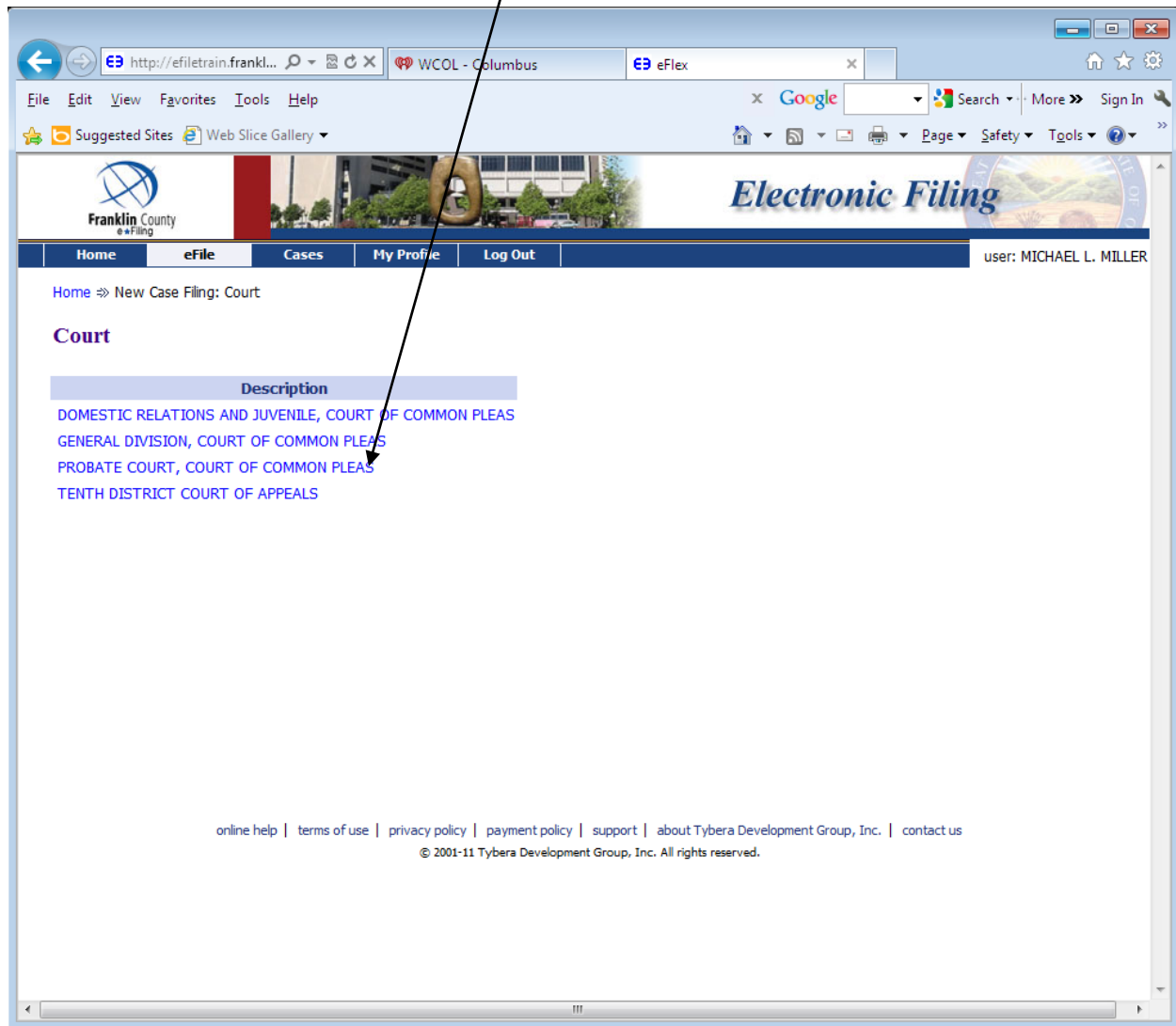
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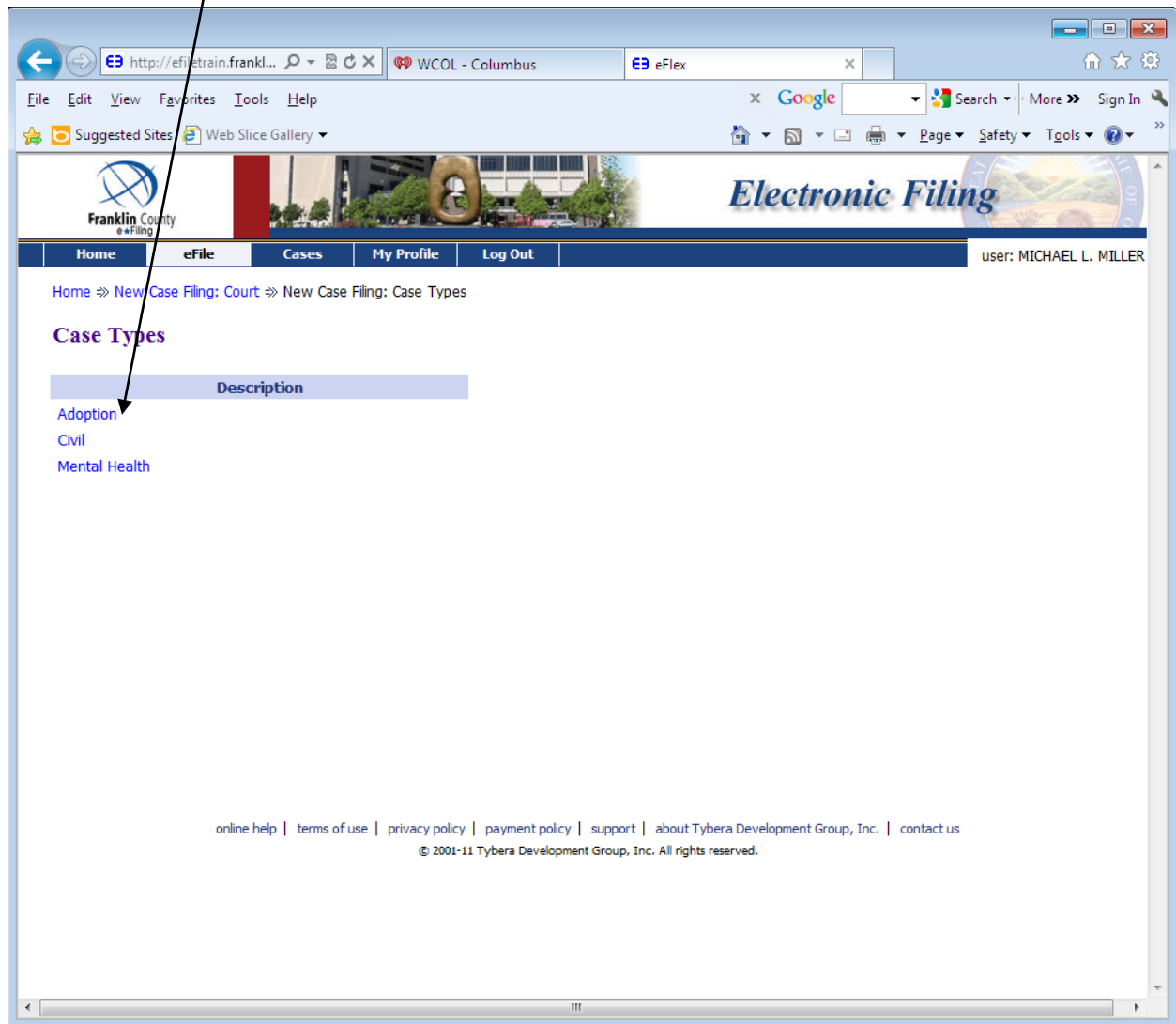
Choose New Case



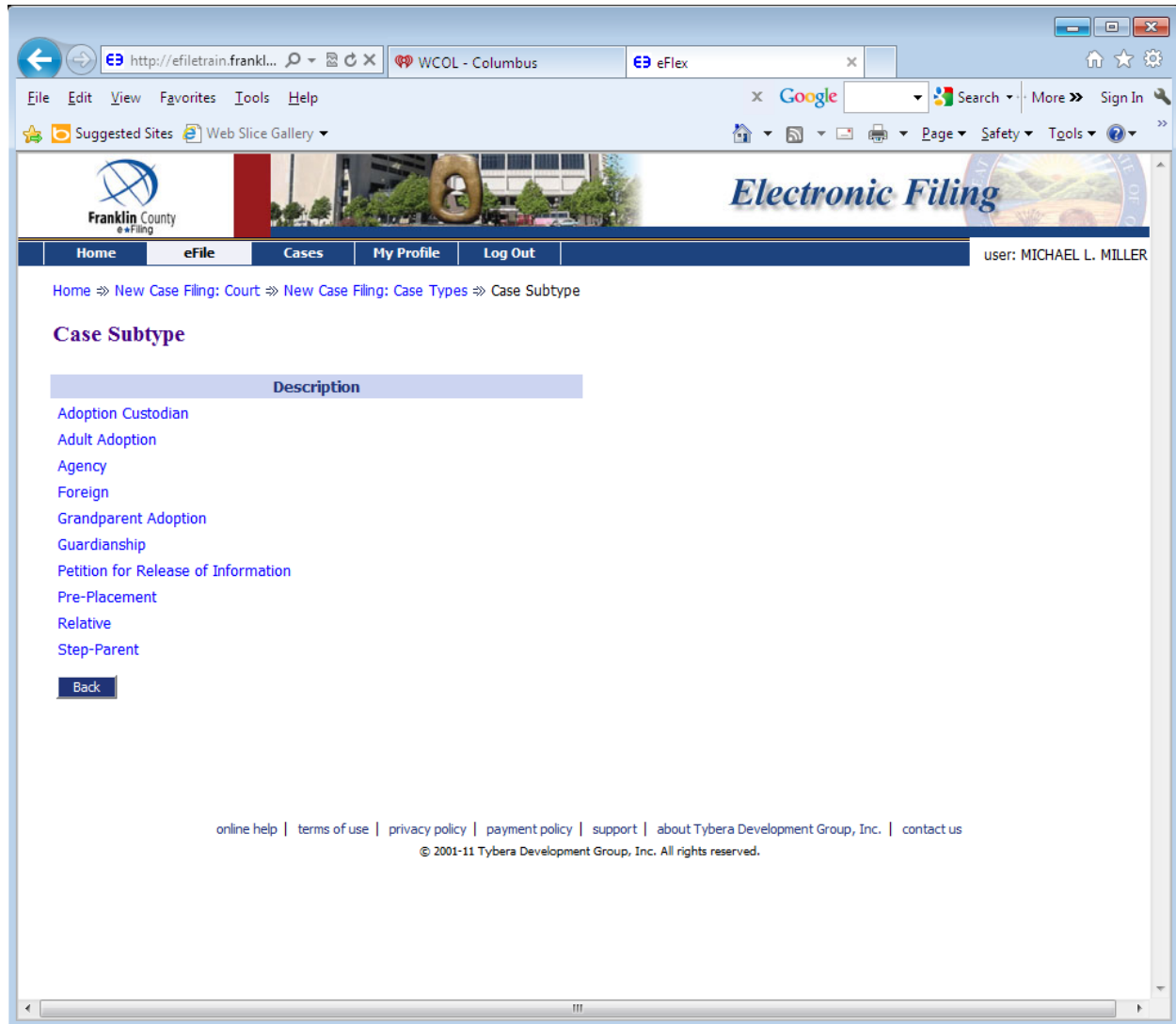
Choose Probate Court, Court of Common Pleas



Choose Adoption



Choose the Description of the Adoption you are going to file. For this example, we are going to choose Agency.



Begin by entering the Adopting parents first. Choose Add My Parties

Under Add My Parties, list the Male Petitioner first. If there is no Male Petitioner, then start with the Female Petitioner.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <http://efiletrain.franklin...>. The browser's address bar also shows a search for 'Come Wake Me Up - Rascal Fl...' and a tab for 'eFlex'. The browser's menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, and Help. The browser's toolbar includes a Google search bar, a Search button, and links for More, Sign In, and a list of suggested sites. The browser's status bar shows the page title 'Electronic Filing' and the user 'MICHAEL L. MILLER'.

The Franklin County eFiling system interface is displayed. The navigation bar includes links for Home, eFile, Cases, My Profile, and Log Out. The user is logged in as MICHAEL L. MILLER. The breadcrumb trail shows the path: Home ⇒ New Case Filing: Court ⇒ New Case Filing: Case Types ⇒ Case Subtype ⇒ Case Initiation ⇒ Add a Party.

The 'Add a Party' form is displayed. It includes the following fields:

- Party Type: Male Petitioner (selected)
- First Name: JOHN
- Middle Name: ALAN
- Last Name: * DOE
- Suffix:
- Phone: * 614-555-5555
- Email:
- Physical or Last Known Address:
 - ☒ Domestic
 - Address Line 1: * 1234 MAIN ST
 - Address Line 2:
 - City: * COLUMBUS
 - State: * Ohio
 - Zip / Postal Code: * 43215 -
- Does this party need a court appointed assessor? No

The 'Attorney(s) for this Party' section is also visible. It includes a table with columns for Last Name, Supreme Court No., and Delete. The table contains one entry: MILLER, 000025561, and a red X in the Delete column. Below the table are input fields for Last Name: * and Supreme Court No.: *. An 'Add' button is located below the Supreme Court No. field.

At the bottom of the form are 'Back' and 'Next' buttons.

After entering the male petitioner's information, click on the Next button at the bottom of the page. This will take you back to the Case Initiation page. Choose Add My Parties again to enter the female petitioner's Information. Be sure to change Party Type: to Female Petitioner. The female petitioner's address must match *exactly* to the male petitioner's address.

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Home eFile Cases My Profile Log Out user: MICHAEL L. MILLER

Home ⇒ New Case Filing: Court ⇒ New Case Filing: Case Types ⇒ Case Subtype ⇒ Case Initiation ⇒ Add a Party

Party Type:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name: *

Suffix:

Phone: *

Email:

Physical or Last Known Address:

☒ Domestic

Address Line 1: *

Address Line 2:

City: *

State: *

Zip / Postal Code: * -

Does this party need a court appointed assessor?

Attorney(s) for this Party

Last Name	Supreme Court No.	Delete
MILLER	000025561	X
Last Name:*		
Supreme Court No.:*		

Choose the Next button at the bottom of the page to be taken back to the Case Initiation screen. Once the petitioners have been added to the case, it is time to add all other parties. First, if there is an agency involved, choose Party Type: Agency. In the Agency drop down box, choose the agency involved with this case.

Home > New Case Filing: Court > New Case Filing: Case Types > Case Subtype > Case Initiation > Add a Party

Party Type: Agency

Agency: FRANKLIN CO CHILDREN SERVICES

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name: * FRANKLIN CO CHILDREN SERVICES

Suffix:

Phone:

Email:

Physical or Last Known Address:

☒ Domestic

Address Line 1:

Address Line 2:

City:

State:

Zip / Postal Code: -

Does this party need a court appointed assessor? No

Back Next

Choose the Next button at the bottom of the page to be taken back to the Case Initiation screen. At this time you **must** add the birth parents for the child being adopted. If there is more than one child being adopted you **must** add all birth parents for each child. Choose the Add Other Parties button, choose Party Type: Birth Mother or Unknown Birth Mother. Enter all information you have for the birth mother. Again, if there is more than one child being adopted, enter all parents of all children.

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Home > New Case Filing: Court > New Case Filing: Case Types > Case Subtype > Case Initiation > Add a Party

Party Type: Birth Mother

Agency

First Name: SALLY

Middle Name: SUE

Last Name: * SMITH

Suffix:

Phone:

Email:

Physical or Last Known Address:

☒ Domestic

Address Line 1: 9876 BROAD ST

Address Line 2:

City: COLUMBUS

State: Ohio

Zip / Postal Code: 43215 -

Does this party need a court appointed assessor? No

Back Next

Attorney(s) for this Party

Last Name	Supreme Court No.	Delete
Last Name:*		
Supreme Court No.:*		

Add

Choose the Next button at the bottom of the page to be taken back to the Case Initiation screen. At this time, you will need to add the birth father. Choose the Add Other Parties button and enter as many fathers as are known, such as Biological Father, Legal Father, Putative Father or Unknown Biological Father.

Home > New Case Filing: Court > New Case Filing: Case Types > Case Subtype > Case Initiation > Add a Party

Party Type:

Agency:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name: *

Suffix:

Phone:

Email:

Physical or Last Known Address:

☒ Domestic

Address Line 1:

Address Line 2:

City:

State:

Zip / Postal Code: -

Does this party need a court appointed assessor?

Attorney(s) for this Party

Last Name	Supreme Court No.	Delete
Last Name: *		
Supreme Court No.: *		Add

After entering the father(s) of each child, choose the Next button at the bottom of the page. This takes you back to the Case Initiation screen. You can view all parties that you entered. If you click on the plus sign (+) before each name you can view all information entered to make sure you have it correct.

Home » New Case Filing: Court » New Case Filing: Case Types » Case Subtype » Case Initiation

Case Initiation: Agency

Filer Reference No (Enter your office reference number - if applicable)

Add Case Participants [Add My Parties](#) [Add Other Parties](#)

	Participant Name	Role	Attorney(s) for Party
	JOHN ALAN DOE	Male Petitioner	MILLER
	JANE ANN DOE Phone: 6145555555 Address: 1234 MAIN ST COLUMBUS, OH 43215	Female Petitioner	MILLER Bar #: 000025561
	FRANKLIN CO CHILDREN SERVICES	Agency	
	SALLY SUE SMITH	Birth Mother	
	JOSEPH JONES	Biological Father	

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If you need to make any changes to the participant's information, click on the link to that person's name and you will be taken back to the page to make any corrections to the name, address, etc.

If all information is correct, it is time to start submitting your documents. Choose the Next button at the bottom of the Case Initiation screen. This will take you to the Add a Document screen.

Home > New Case Filing: Court > New Case Filing: Case Types > Case Subtype > Case Initiation > Add a Document

Case Subtype : Agency

Document Category

Document Type *

Additional Text

Acceptable File Format(s) (*.doc, *.docx, *.pdf)

Document Location [Browse...](#)

Page Count

Add to Submission [Add](#)

Document Name	View Document	Edit Data	Size	Pg Count	Remove
Case Data	form.xml		0.01 MB		

Total Size: 0.0 MB

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Choose Document Category: Petition and Document Type: Petition for Adoption of Minor Child. If you want to send a note to the clerk, you may do so in the Additional Text box. This does not become part of the docket. Choose the Browse button to upload the Petition that is saved on your computer. Choose the Add to Submission button.

Home > New Case Filing: Court > New Case Filing: Case Types > Case Subtype > Case Initiation > Add a Document

Case Subtype : Agency

Document Category:

Document Type *:

Additional Text:

Acceptable File Format(s) (*.doc, *.docx, *.pdf)

Document Location:

Page Count:

Add to Submission:

Document Name	View Document	Edit Data	Size	Pg Count	Remove
Case Data	form.xml		0.01 MB		

Total Size: 0.0 MB

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This will take you to the Adoption Application page to enter the child's birth name, adoption Name, date of birth and sex, and to associate the child to the biological parents.

Home > New Case Filing: Court > New Case Filing: Case Types > Case Subtype > Case Initiation > Add a Document > Adoption Application

Petition for Adoption of Minor Child

Birth Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name: *

Suffix:

Adoption Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name: *

Suffix:

Date of Birth: * (mm-dd-yyyy)

Sex: *

Please select the parties associated with this adoptee:

For	Party Name	Current Role
☐	JOSEPH JONES	Biological Father
☐	SALLY SUE SMITH	Birth Mother

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At the bottom of this page, it tells you to Please select the parties associated with this adoptee. If there is more than one child being adopted you would choose only the parties for this particular child. When you upload your second petition you will choose the parties associated with that adoptee.

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Electronic Filing

Home eFile Cases My Profile Log Out user: MICHAEL L. MILLER

Home » New Case Filing: Court » New Case Filing: Case Types » Case Subtype » Case Initiation » Add a Document » Adoption Application

Petition for Adoption of Minor Child

Birth Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name: *

Suffix:

Adoption Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name: *

Suffix:

Date of Birth: *
(mm-dd-yyyy)

Sex: *

Please select the parties associated with this adoptee:

For	Party Name	Current Role
☒	JOSEPH JONES	Biological Father
☒	SALLY SUE SMITH	Birth Mother

Once you have filled in the information about the child and chosen the parties associated to that child, choose the Next button at the bottom of the page.

Franklin County eFiling

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Draft Filings ⇒ Add a Document

Case Subtype : Agency

Document Category

Document Type *

Additional Text

Acceptable File Format(s) (*.doc, *.docx, *.pdf)

Document Location

Page Count

Add to Submission

Document Name	View Document	Edit Data	Size	Pg Count	Remove
Case Data	form.xml		0.01 MB		
Petition for Adoption of Minor Child	Petition ePC-A-18.0.pdf		0.05 MB	3	
Total Size:			0.05 MB		

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The document is located under the light blue line across the middle of the page. Now it is time to upload the rest of your case initiation documents; Proposed Entry Setting Hearing, Preliminary Account and Birth Certificate.

If you need help in choosing a hearing date, please see the below link for e-Hearing Instructions. This will take you through choosing an Adoption Hearing Date and Time.

<http://www.franklincountyohio.gov/probate/assets/pdf/OT%20iFrame%20Instructions%20-%20Filer%20and%20Clerk%2002%2010%202012.pdf>

After uploading all Case Initiation documents, your screen should look similar to the screen below.

The screenshot shows the Franklin County eFiling system interface. The browser address bar displays 'http://efiletrain.franklin...'. The page title is 'Electronic Filing'. The user is logged in as 'MICHAEL L. MILLER'. The navigation menu includes 'Home', 'eFile', 'Cases', 'My Profile', and 'Log Out'. The 'Draft Filings' section shows 'Add a Document'.

Case Subtype : Agency

Document Category:

Document Type *:

Additional Text:

Acceptable File Format(s) (*.doc, *.docx, *.pdf)

Document Location: [Browse...](#)

Page Count:

Add to Submission: [Add](#)

Document Name	View Document	Edit Data	Size	Pg Count	Remove
Case Data	form.xml		0.01 MB		
Petition for Adoption of Minor Child	Petition ePC-A-18.0.pdf		0.05 MB	3	
Proposed Orders for Hearing, Notice and Appointment of Investigator/Assessor	Entry Setting Hearing ePC-A-18.1e.pdf		0.03 MB	1	
Preliminary Petitioner's Account	Preliminary Account ePC-A-18.9A.pdf		0.04 MB	2	
Birth Certificate/Adoption Case	BIRTH CERTIFICATE.docx		0.01 MB	1	
			Total Size:	0.13 MB	

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Choose the Next button at the bottom of the page. This will take you to the Review and Approve Filings page. You can open the documents you uploaded to make sure they are the correct ones. Any changes need to be made now.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying 'http://efiletrain.frankl...'. The browser has multiple tabs, including 'What Was I Thinkin' - Dierks B...' and 'eFlex'. The page title is 'Review and Approve Filing'. The main content area has a yellow header bar with the text 'Case Title : DOE, JOHN ALAN'. Below this, it says 'Case Subtype : Agency'. There is a section for 'Generated Case Data' with a 'Change Case Data' button. Another section for 'Document(s) to be Submitted:' has an 'Add/Remove Documents' button. Below this is a table with two columns: 'Document Name' and 'View Document'. The table lists four documents: 'Petition for Adoption of Minor Child' (linked to 'Petition ePC-A-18.0.pdf'), 'Proposed Orders for Hearing, Notice and Appointment of Investigator/Assessor' (linked to 'Entry Setting Hearing ePC-A-18.1e.pdf'), 'Preliminary Petitioner's Account' (linked to 'Preliminary Account ePC-A-18.9A.pdf'), and 'Birth Certificate/Adoption Case' (linked to 'BIRTH CERTIFICATE.docx'). Below the table is a section for 'Special Filing Instructions for the Clerk:' with a text input area. At the bottom, there is a 'Payment Method:' section with three radio buttons: 'Pay by Credit Card' (selected), 'Government Agency', and 'Special Waiver'. The 'Pay by Credit Card' option has 'Estimated Fees: \$169.00' next to it. At the very bottom, there are four buttons: 'Back', 'Cancel (Delete)', 'Move to Draft', and 'Submit the Filing'.

Review and Approve Filing

Case Title : DOE, JOHN ALAN

Case Subtype : Agency

Generated Case Data: [Change Case Data](#)

Document(s) to be Submitted: [Add/Remove Documents](#)

Document Name	View Document
Petition for Adoption of Minor Child	Petition ePC-A-18.0.pdf
Proposed Orders for Hearing, Notice and Appointment of Investigator/Assessor	Entry Setting Hearing ePC-A-18.1e.pdf
Preliminary Petitioner's Account	Preliminary Account ePC-A-18.9A.pdf
Birth Certificate/Adoption Case	BIRTH CERTIFICATE.docx

Special Filing Instructions for the Clerk:

Payment Method:

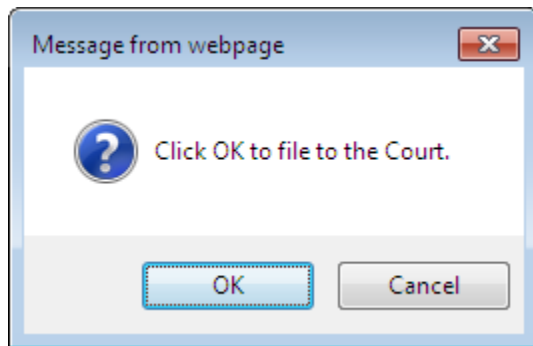
☒ Pay by Credit Card
Estimated Fees: \$169.00

☐ Government Agency

☐ Special Waiver

[Back](#) [Cancel \(Delete\)](#) [Move to Draft](#) [Submit the Filing](#)

Now you are ready to submit your new case. Notice towards the bottom of the page under Payment Method: the e-Filing System tells you the amount due. All fees need to be paid with a credit or debit card. When you choose the Submit the Filing button, another window pops up and says Click OK to file to the Court. Once you click on the “OK” button, you will be taken to the PayGov.US site to enter your credit card information.



Below is the PayGov.US site where you will enter your credit card information.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://testsec.paygov.us>. The browser's address bar also shows a tab for 'Baggage Claim - Miranda Lam...'. The browser's menu bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'View', 'Favorites', 'Tools', and 'Help'. The browser's toolbar includes a search bar with 'Google' and 'Search' buttons, and a 'Sign In' button. The browser's status bar shows 'Suggested Sites' and 'Web Slice Gallery'.

The PayGov.US logo is displayed at the top of the page. Below the logo, the text 'The following payments are accepted for your transaction:' is shown. Below this text, there are two radio buttons: 'Credit/Debit' (selected) and 'Check'. Below the radio buttons, there is a green button labeled 'Review and Pay ->'. Below the green button, there are three buttons: '<<-- Edit Payor Info', '<-- Edit Payment Amts', and 'Cancel and Go Back'.

Below the buttons, the payment details are listed:

Payment Amount:	\$169.00
Flat Convenience Fee:	\$5.07
Payment Total:	\$174.07

Below the payment details, there is a 'SecurityMetrics' logo with 'PCI Certified' text.

The 'Payment Information - Probate Court' form is displayed. The form contains the following fields:

- Cardholder First Name:
- Last Name:
- Address:
- City:
- State:
- Zip Code:
- Billing Phone:
- Your Email Address:
- Optional:
- Card Type:
- Card Number:
- Security Code: Three or four-digit code printed on back of card
- Expiration Date:

At the bottom of the page, the text 'SSL Certificate' is displayed. Below this text, the copyright notice 'Copyright © 2009 PayGov, LLC' and the website URL 'www.PayGov.US' are shown.

Enter all of the credit card information requested. After you enter your credit card information, click on the **green** Review and Pay button

The following payments are accepted for your transaction:

- ☒ Credit/Debit
- ☐ Check

Review and Pay ->

<<-- Edit Payor Info

<-- Edit Payment Amts

Cancel and Go Back

Payment Amount: \$169.00
Flat Convenience Fee: \$5.07

Payment Total: \$174.07

SSL Certificate

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Payment Information - Probate Court

Cardholder First Name: testing

Last Name: testing

Address: 373 s high st

City: columbus

State: oh

Zip Code: 43215

Billing Phone: 614-555-5555

Your Email Address: Optional

Card Type: VISA

Card Number: 4111111111111111

Security Code: 123 Three or four-digit code printed on back of card

Expiration Date: Oct 2016

This page will also allow you to review your information one final time. You can choose the button to Edit Payment Info, Cancel and Go Back or check the box in front of the "I AGREE" above the yellow paragraphs.

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I Agree

By checking this box, I agree to the flat convenience fee or the applicable percentage rate as noted below. This fee is **NON-REFUNDABLE**.

If you would like to make any changes to the information you have entered, please select the page from the buttons below.

[<<<-- Edit Payor Info](#)
[<<-- Edit Payment Amts](#)
[<-- Edit Payment Info](#)
[Cancel and Go Back](#)

Payment Amount: \$169.00
Flat Convenience Fee: \$5.07
Payment Total: \$174.07

Payment Information - Probate Court

Cardholder Name: testing testing
Address: 373 s high st
: columbus, oh
Credit Card: VISA 4****1111 exp 10/16

Payment Amount: \$169.00
Convenience Fee: \$5.07
Payment Total: \$174.07

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If everything is correct then choose the **green** SUBMIT PAYMENT box to complete the transaction.

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☒ **I Agree**

By checking this box, I agree to the flat convenience fee or the applicable percentage rate as noted below. This fee is **NON-REFUNDABLE**.

If you would like to make any changes to the information you have entered, please select the page from the buttons below.

<<<-- Edit Payor Info
<<-- Edit Payment Amts
<-- Edit Payment Info
Submit Payment ->
Cancel and Go Back

Payment Amount:	\$169.00
Flat Convenience Fee:	\$5.07
Payment Total:	\$174.07

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Payment Information - Probate Court

Cardholder Name: testing testing
Address: 373 s high st
: columbus, oh
Credit Card: VISA 4*****1111 exp 10/16

Payment Amount: \$169.00
Convenience Fee: \$5.07
Payment Total: \$174.07

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