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## **News Release**

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### **FEDERAL COURT TO LAUNCH REDESIGNED WEBSITE**

Chief Judge Gerald E. Rosen announced today that the Court will be launching a newly redesigned website for the Eastern District of Michigan. The new website will be launched on Monday, September 8, 2014.

The redesigned website has been under construction for some time. Several years ago the Judicial Branch Committee of the Judicial Conference established an Ad Hoc Subcommittee on New Media whose goal was to consider whether the information on court websites was easily understood to users and displayed accurately, clearly, consistently and timely. To meet their goal, development tools and website templates were made available to all courts. Though local variations are permissible, many courts moved to these new design templates which have made it easier to find similar information when visiting the various websites throughout the Judiciary.

The Eastern District of Michigan put together a subcommittee to consider the redesign of our website led by the Chair of the Court's Information Technology (IT) Committee, Judge Marianne O. Battani. The redesigned website was reviewed meticulously by various staff and members of the public, including several people affiliated with the Federal Bar Association and the Court Historical Society. The Court thanks those who took the time to assist in the redesign process.