

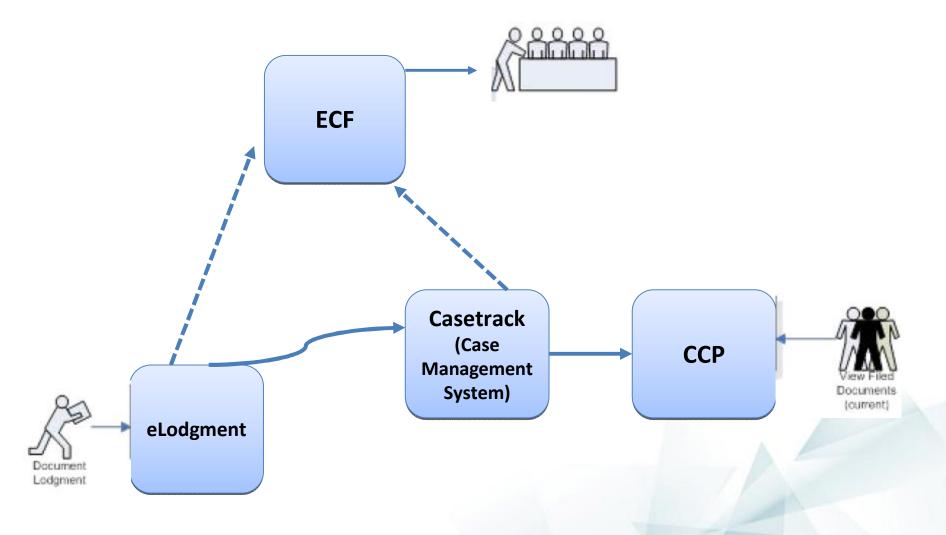
Technology in the federal courts

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STATS

- ECF was introduced into the Federal Court (FCA) and Federal Circuit Court: General Federal Law Division (FCC: GFL) in 2014.
- There are now 52,589 ECF Files across the Federal Court and Federal Circuit Court
 - . Made up of over 450,000 documents
 - . Electronically stored data totals almost 3.5 Terabytes
 - . That's the equivalent of 750 million pages printed both sides over 16km high and would take roughly 1,500 years, reading 24/7, to read through all that data.

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eLODGMENT

- " eLodgment is the electronic filing facility for the FCA and FCC: GFL division.
- Allows practitioners and litigants to lodge documents on their matters from <u>anywhere in the world, from any device</u>. It's as simple as "Browse, Attach, Send".



COMMONWEALTH COURTS PORTAL (CCP)

- "CCP is a free service, which provides the public and the Courts' clients with access to information about cases before the FCA and FCC:GFL.
- CCP has two views public and private.
- " Private view, with proper registration, will allow parties and their legal representatives to:
 - . View and organise their files
 - . View recent activity and check their 'Court Diary'
 - . View the same orders and documents as on the ECF

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Applicant's Outline of Submissions

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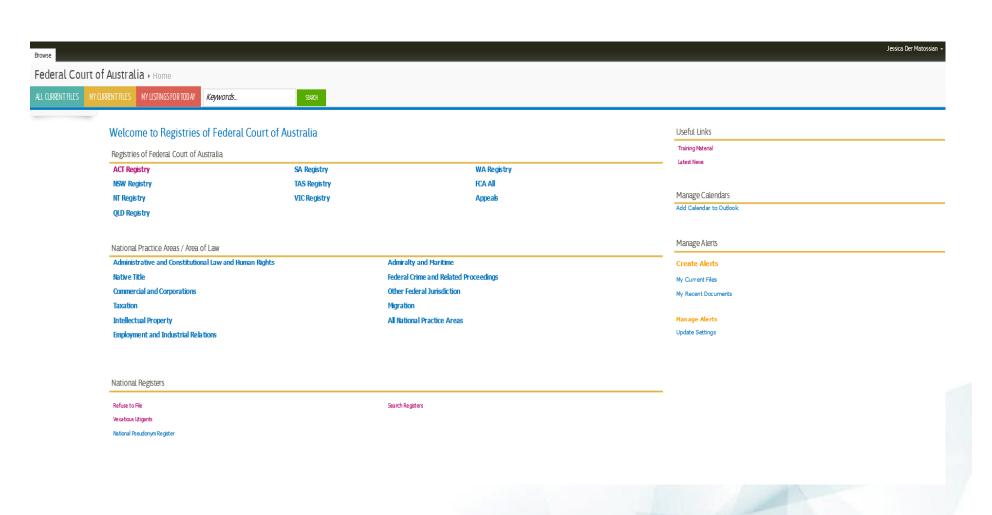
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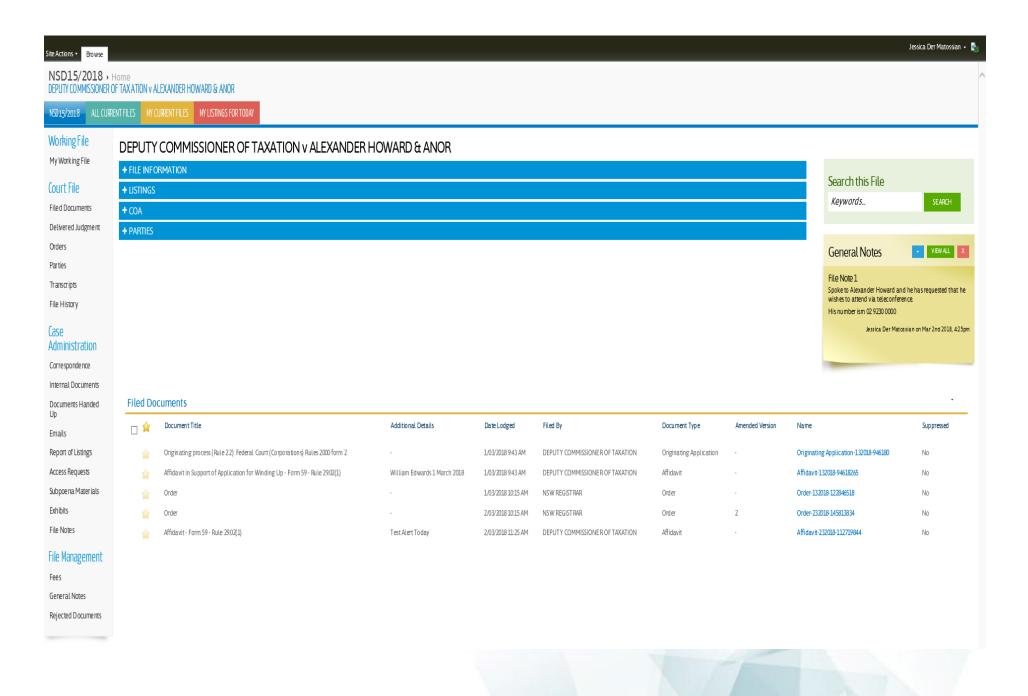
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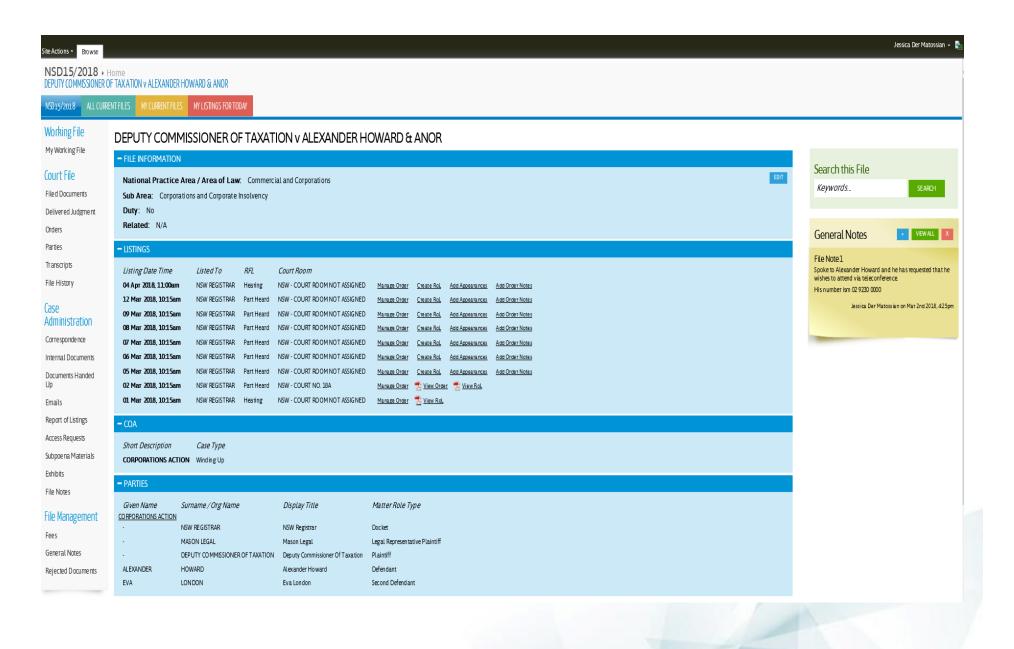
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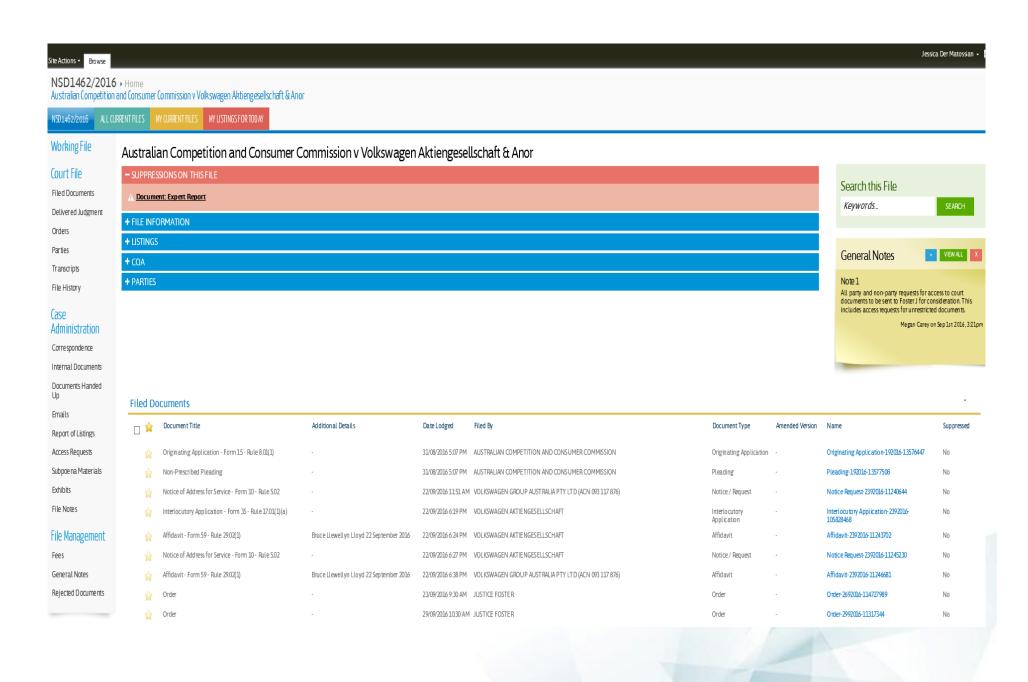


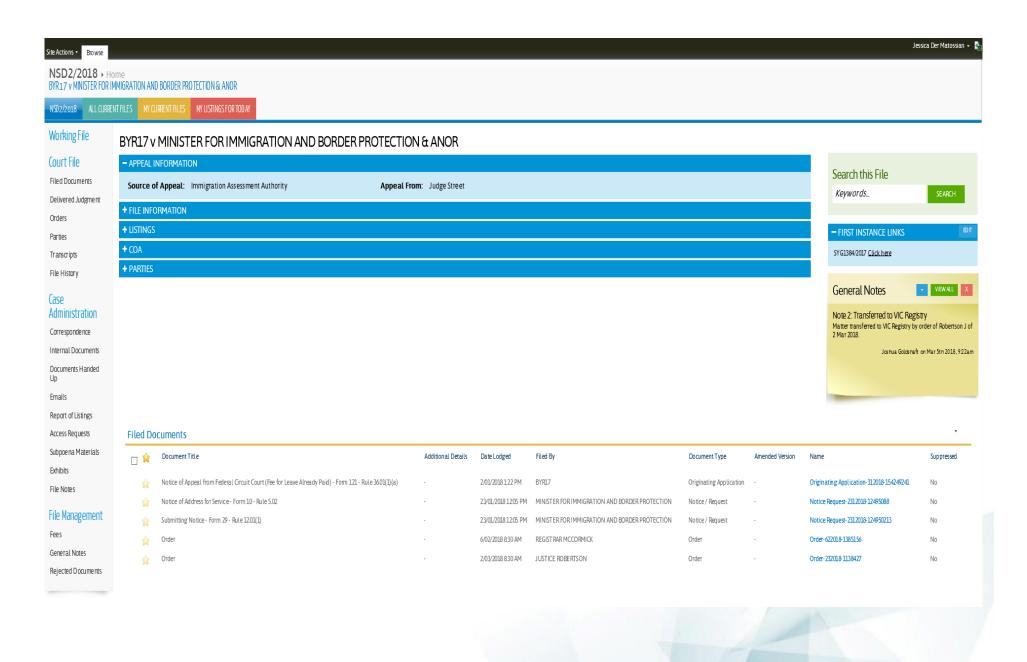
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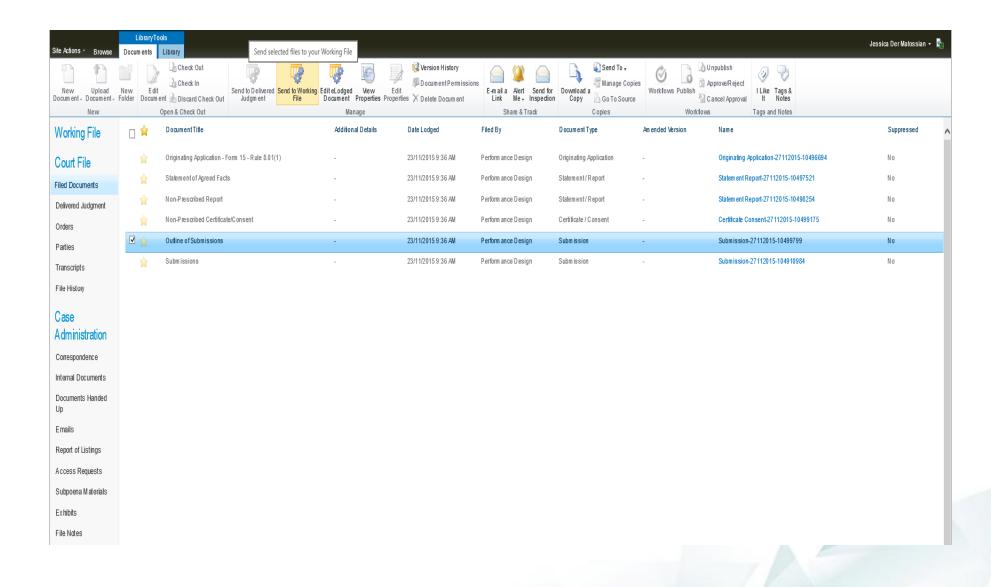
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WHAT'S NEXT?

Digital Court File (DCF)

- "Introduction of the Digital Court File (DCF) in the family law jurisdiction.
- " A new and improved version of the ECF.
- "Upgrades to the eFiling platform for the family law jurisdiction.
- "Introduction of a new case management system for all jurisdictions.
- " Migration of the FCA and FCC: GFL matters onto the new DCF.

Digital Hearings

- The ECF was never intended as a solution for digital litigation.
- " Establishment of a Digital Practice Committee comprising of judges and registrars.
- " Taking a holistic approach to "Working Digitally".
- Considering the significant costs and time savings of running digital hearings.
- Developing a Digital Hearings platform that caters to the various practice areas and complexities of hearings before the Court.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Big Data

- Establishment of a cross-jurisdictional Al Committee.
- "Current development of an AI pilot project in the family law jurisdiction an early resolution process for property settlement/division of assets."
- " Decision Trees vs. Machine Learning
- " Quantum Computing power and speed
- More 'big data' = More access to technology solutions and advancements to enhance access to justice and resolve disputes as quickly, inexpensively and efficiently as possible.