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The Office of Administrative Law (OAL) Has Approved DWC's Final Version of Electronic Document Filing and Lien Filing Fee Rules

The Office of Administrative Law (OAL) approved the electronic document filing and lien filing fee rules on December 16, 2013. The emergency [regulations](#) went into effect on January 1, 2013. The revisions that have been made to the emergency regulations are immediately effective. The final version of the regulations includes the following changes from the emergency regulations:

- The definitions of “cost,” “party,” and “section 4903(b) lien” were revised
- The Electronic Adjudication Management System (EAMS) Reference Guide and Instructional Manual for E-Form Filers (EAMS E-Form Filing Reference Guide) was revised and is now dated December 2013
- The Electronic Adjudication Management System JET File Business Rules and Technical Specifications have been revised to Version 4.1 and dated December 2013
- A new section (10208.1) was added regarding when lien fee refunds will be granted. The regulations also provide the link to the required Lien Fee Refund Request form.

Please note, however, on November 19, 2013, DWC stopped collecting lien activation fees in compliance with a preliminary injunction by the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California in the matter of *Angelotti Chiropractic, Inc., et al. v. Baker, et al.*

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