

ECOURTS PORTAL ELEVATED ACCESS ROLES

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What is elevated access?

Elevated access is available for users with a verified business need and authority granted by statute to view generally restricted case information and non-public information. Elevated access requests are initiated by the user and processed by the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts.

<u>Is there training and information available for Elevated Access?</u>

YES. There are multiple Portal training resources, including Quick Reference Guides, Advanced User Guides, FAQs, and Videos available on the <u>eCourts website</u>.

Who is eligible for Elevated Access?

- An Odyssey **ACTIVE Attorney of Record** who represents a juvenile case
 - o including a GAL Attorney Advocate, or an Attorney for the mother, father (father-legal; father-putative), guardian, or custodian
- An Odyssey ACTIVE Attorney of Record who represents a Special Proceeding Confidential Case (SPCC)
- An Odyssey ACTIVE Attorney of Record who represents a Protective Order Case (DVPOFBA/DVPOFBO/NDRO)
- An Odyssey ACTIVE Attorney of Record from the Public Defender's Office/IDS who represents a
 Juvenile, SPCC, and/or Protective Order Case
- An Odyssey **ACTIVE DSS Social Worker of Record** assigned to a juvenile case
- An Odyssey ACTIVE Juvenile Court Counselor (JCC) of Record assigned to a juvenile case
- An Odyssey ACTIVE GAL Program Volunteer of Record appointed to a juvenile case
- ACTIVE eWarrants User for Protective Order Cases and Criminal Warrants Unreturned
- Domestic Violence Agencies for Protective Order Cases
- Government Agencies refer to the <u>Portal Government Agency Elevated Access FAQs</u>
- Contact the NCAOC Help Desk at (919) 890-2407 to submit a request for one of the following role requests:
 - An Odyssey ACTIVE Juvenile Parent, Guardian, or Custodian of record
 - A person named in the Petition as the Juvenile
 - The Respondent of a Special Proceeding Confidential Case (SPCC)



How do I request Elevated Access?

- Attorneys: Complete an <u>AOC-A-264 Form</u> and submit through <u>File & Serve</u>. Only one submission is required, however, requestor must be an **Odyssey ACTIVE Attorney of Record** on at least ONE case within the authorized case categories of Juvenile, SPCC, or Protective Order Cases. If approved, the Elevated Access Attorney Role applies to all three case categories.
- Non-attorney users: <u>Register</u> on Portal. User will be prompted to select an Elevated Access role, affirm attestation statements, and complete validation guestions when applicable.

How long does the approval/denial process take?

Elevated Access requests are typically processed within TWO business days of submission (excluding weekend and holiday submission dates). A requestor can expect real time email notification upon the denial or approval of a submission.

How is a requestor notified when Elevated Access has been approved or denied?

- Non-Attorney Roles receive email notification when processing is complete, whether approved or denied.
- Attorneys receive a F&S "rejection" with explanation. Incomplete submissions are rejected, particularly if the Bar Number is missing or the form is not signed. All wet or PDF electronic signatures are accepted.
- An "accepted" F&S submission implies approval. A reset password link email notification is sent if the Attorney registered through. Attorneys are not required to register through Portal in advance.

