

ITEM 8.1.0 | ADA AND TECHNOLOGY COMPLIANCE

Accessibility standards for electronic and information technology are covered by federal law, known as Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (as amended), which lists standards necessary to make electronic and information technology accessible to persons with disabilities. These standards, together with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Florida law, must be met. References to these requirements throughout this document will be noted as "Section 508, Florida law and the ADA".

All technology and information used to support the creation of an electronic case file and to provide access to court records will comply with statutes (federal and state), court rule, Administrative Order issued by the Supreme Court, court technology standards, and the Florida AeIT Bill [Accessible Electronic and Information Technology], s. 282.601-282.606. Fla. Stat.

Additionally, all technology applications submitted for approval include a "Statement of Accessibility/Certification."

A list of references regarding understanding the requirements of Section 508, Florida law and the ADA can be found in Appendix A to this part.

- Chapters 282.601-282.606, Fla. Stat.- The Florida Accessible Electronic and Information Technology Act
- Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (as amended)
- United States Federal Access Board: Electronic & Information Technology Accessibility Standards (<http://www.accessboard.gov/gs.htm>)
- The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)
- Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration

Other reference sources of information may include:

- World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) Web Access Initiative Guidelines (<http://www.w3.org/>)
- ADA Best Practices Tool Kit for State and Local Governments
- Chapter 5, Website accessibility Under Title II of the ADA:
<http://www.ada.gov/pcatoolkit/chap5toolkit.htm>
- Section 508

