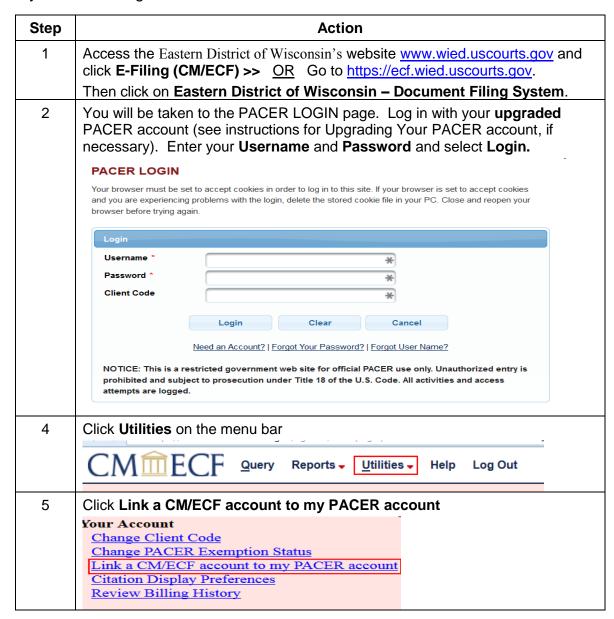
## Link PACER to NextGen CM/ECF

## **Procedure**

NOTE: This process cannot be completed until the Eastern District of Wisconsin has upgraded to NextGen CM/ECF on April 8, 2019.

Prior to filing in, or using, NextGen for the first time you must link your upgraded PACER account to your Eastern District of Wisconsin CM/ECF (filing) account. This is a one-time procedure. After linking your accounts, you will use your PACER account for all filing and viewing access to the court. This is referred to as your Central Sign-On account.



Step	Action
6	Enter your CM/ECF login and password. This is the court issued account you use <b>for filing documents or viewing documents in criminal cases</b> . If you do not know the information, you must contact the court to have the password reset.  Hint: The CM/ECF login is typically your first initial, middle initial, and last name (e.g. cjsmith)
	CM/ECF login:
	cs5184 *
	CM/ECF password:
	*
	Submit Clear
7	Click Submit
8	Ensure that the CM/ECF name and PACER names match. Click Submit  Link a CM/ECF account to my PACER account  Do you want to link these accounts?  CM/ECF John Attorney  PACER John Attorney  After you submit this screen, your old e-filing credentials for the CM/ECF account will be permanently linked to your upgraded PACER account. Use your upgraded PACER account to e-file in this court.  Submit  Cloar
9	You will get a message that the accounts are linked. You will now use your PACER account for electronic filings in the CM/ECF system.
	Link a CM/ECF account to my PACER account  The CM/ECF account for John Attorney is now linked to your CSO account.
10	Click on one of the menu items on the menu bar (except Log Out) to update the menu.
	Query Reports → Utilities → Search Help Log Out
11	The <b>Civil</b> and <b>Criminal</b> (filing) menu items now appear along with the others. This account is now ready for filing documents.
	CMmECF Civil - Criminal - Query Reports - Utilities - Search