

United States District Court District of Connecticut

MOTION TO QUASH and MOTION TO COMPEL CASE OPENING INSTRUCTIONS

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Motion to Quash/Motion to Compel Case Opening Instructions

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I. Introduction

Attorneys may electronically file new miscellaneous civil cases which are initiated with a Motion to Quash or a Motion to Compel a foreign subpoena. Foreign subpoenas are deposition subpoenas issued to individuals requesting their appearance for a deposition, and/or for production of documents in the District of Connecticut in a case pending in another district.

These instructions are designed to help you though the case opening process. Please have your documents in pdf format and your credit card readily available to complete the process. **Do not open the case online if the motion relates to a grand jury subpoena.**

If you realize you made a mistake and it is during normal business hours, do not proceed further. Contact the Clerk's Office for assistance. If you made a mistake during the case opening process and it is outside business hours, please proceed to docket the lead event to maintain/preserve the file date and send an email to QualityControl@ctd.uscourts.gov explaining the circumstances and someone will respond during business hours.

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II. Case Opening Screen

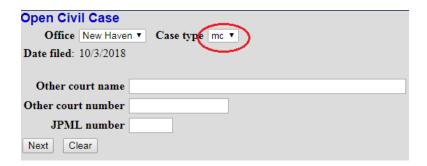
Begin with logging into **CM/ECF**

Select Civil from the blue menu bar >Civil>Open a Case>Civil Case.



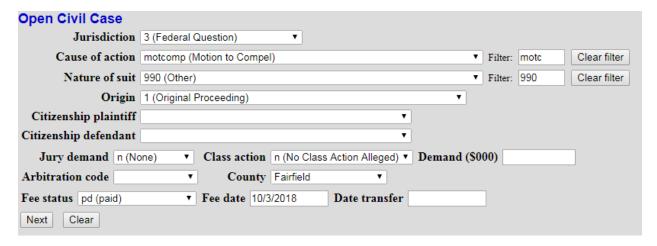
The following display message will appear:

Select Next. Change only the case type to MC. Do not make any other changes to this screen. Select Next.



III. Entering Civil Case Statistical Information

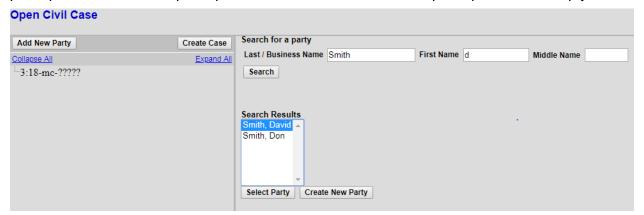
Complete the fields on this screen using the guidelines provided in the table below. Select Next.



Jurisdiction	1 (U.S. Government Plaintiff)
	2 (U.S. Government Defendant)
	3 (Federal Question) default setting
Cause of	motquash - motion to quash (or motion for protective order)
action	motcomp – motion to compel (or motion to perpetuate testimony)
Nature of	990
suit	
Origin	1 (Original Proceeding)
Citizenship	Leave blank
Jury	Leave default (none)
demand	
Class action	Leave default (no class action alleged)
Demand	Leave blank
(\$000)	
Arbitration	Leave blank
code	
County	Leave default
Fee status	Leave default (paid) if paying the filing fee; for government plaintiff, set fee
	status to none (no fee required); for IFP movants, set fee status to in forma
	pauperis.
Fee date	Leave default
Date transfer	Leave blank

IV. Adding Parties

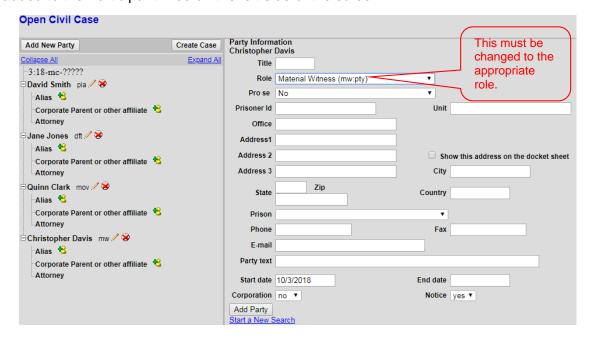
The left pane contains the controls to **Add New Party** and **Create Case**. This section is the participant tree. Since no participants exist for this new case, the participant tree is empty.



The right pane contains the fields to **Search for a party**. Using the Court's <u>Instructions for Searching and Adding Parties</u>, add the parties with their appropriate roles as listed below:

- Add the plaintiff and defendant choosing the appropriate roles. If the case is captioned as In re: XXXX, add the In re: party and change the party role to In Re (inre:pty).
- If not already a party, add the movant and change the party role to Movant (mov:pty).
- If not already a party, add the witness and change the party role to Material Witness (mw:pty).

When the user clicks the **Add Party** button on the Party Information screen, the party will be added to the Participant Tree on the left side of the screen.



V. Functional Icons

Once all parties are added to the Participant Tree, please review the information for accuracy. The functional icons displayed next to a participant's name allow you to make the following modifications at this point in the case opening process:

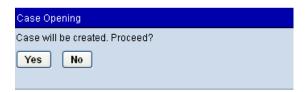
× Delete this party from this case

Add new alias

Edit the party or alias

correct party to the case. To make changes to the role or party text fields, click on the **/** icon. To add an alias, click on the **2** icon, search for the alias name and select the proper alias type.

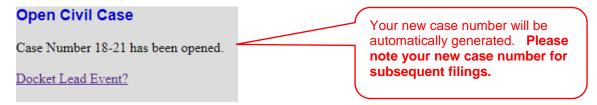
Select Create Case only when you are finished adding all parties and have reviewed the Participant Tree. Select Yes. If you forgot to add all parties, you will be given another opportunity when filing the initiating document.



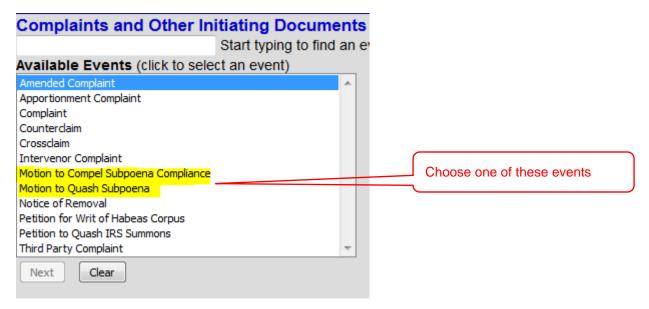
Once the case has been created it is too late to click the back button on your browser. If you realize you made a mistake and it is during normal business hours, do not proceed further but contact the Clerk's office for assistance. If you made a mistake during the case opening process and it is outside business hours, please proceed to docket the lead event to maintain/preserve the file date and send an email to QualityControl@ctd.uscourts.gov explaining the circumstances and someone will respond during business hours.

VI. Docketing Lead Event

User will be prompted:



Click on the link to docket lead event now; select the appropriate event. Select Next.



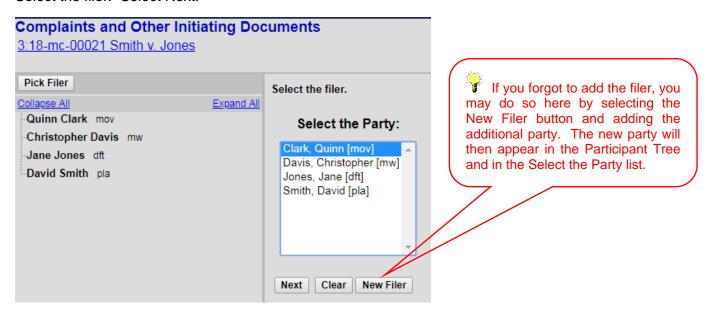
Select Next.



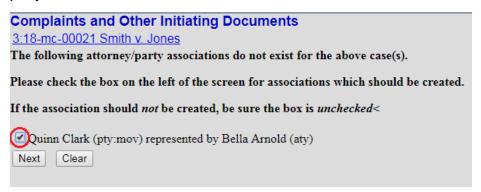
Verify short caption. Select Next.



Select the filer. Select Next.



Leave the box to the left of the party name checked to associate your appearance with the party. Select Next.



Select the appropriate party that this filing is against. Select the party that issued the subpoena. Select Next.



You may also choose any of the group buttons on the right.

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Browse for your PDF document, right click and open the document to verify that the correct pdf is being uploaded then click open to upload and proceed to add and label any attachments. When you have completed adding all attachments, select Next.



Documents filed electronically must be filed in OCR text-searchable PDF format with an electronic or a scanned signature and must comply with the redaction requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 5.2

Complaints and Other Initiating 3:18-mc-00021 Smith v. Jones Select the PDF document and any attack						
Main Document Choose File MOTION-COMPEL.pdf						
Attachments	Category	Description				
1. Choose File TEST 2.pdf	•	Subpoena	Remove			
2. Choose File No file chosen	•					
Next Clear						

Verify your case number. The motion response date will automatically populate. Select Next.

Complaints and Other Initiating Documents 3:18-mc-00021 Smith v. Jones Motion to Compel Subpoena Compliance Response Deadline 10/24/2018 Next Clear

VII. Filing Fee Information

Unless you are filing a Motion to Proceed In Forma Pauperis or filing on behalf of the USA, you must answer "No" on this screen. Select Next.

Complaints and Other Initiating Documents				
3:18-mc-00021 Smith v. Jones				
Does your Motion to Compel Subpoena Compliance Include a request to waive the required fee?				
☑ Yes ● No				
Next Clear				

The following display message will appear. Select Next.

After payment of the filing fee, you MUST continue with the docket transaction until its completion. Failure to continue will result in your credit card being charged, with no record of your entry on the docket.

The required fee will be displayed. Select Next.

Complaints and Other Initiating Documents			
3:18-mc-00021 Smith v. Jones			
Fee: \$47			
Next Clear			

The following message will appear:

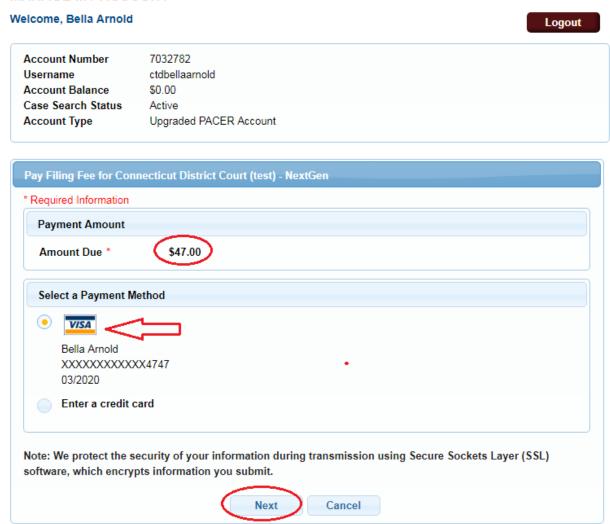
Now loading the payment processing screen. This process might take a few seconds.

At this point, the Pacer login screen will appear and you will be prompted to enter your login and password.

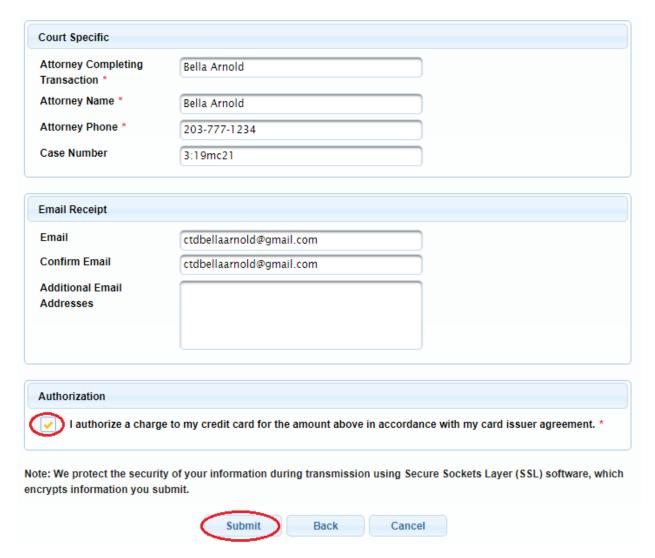
VIII. Entering Payment Information

- This is a secure site administered by pay.gov.
- After payment of the filing fee, you MUST continue with the docket transaction until its completion. Failure to continue will result in your credit card being charged, with no record of your entry on the docket.

MANAGE MY ACCOUNT



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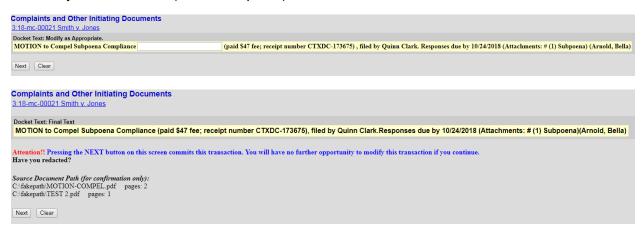


Select Submit.

A receipt will be issued by pay.gov and the transaction will be viewable in your Pacer account.

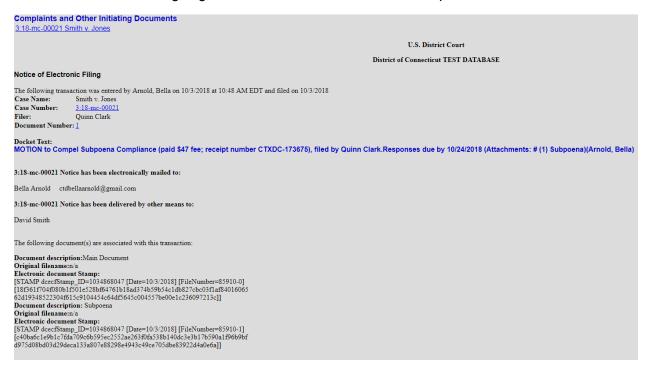
IX. Completing Your Transaction

Enter any additional text (none is required). Select Next.



By selecting Next your transaction will be complete. Select Next.

Notice of Electronic Filing is generated and the transaction is complete.



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