Reasons for Rejecting Filings

This list does not contain all the reasons why a filing may be rejected. This is only intended to list common reasons for the return of filings. The Court may return filings that fail to comply with any rule or caselaw.

Grounds to Reject Any Filing

- Document is unreadable
- Not signed by attorney or *pro se* individual
- No certificate of service (if required)
- Wrong WD number
- Out of time
- Case closed

Specific Filings

Legal File

Non-System Generated Legal File

- No index
- No page numbers
- Lacks an original certification from the circuit court or stipulation by opposing party
- Paper copy exceeds 200 pages per volume
- An attorney filing a non-system generated legal file without prior consent by the Court

Supplemental Legal File

- Appellant may only file a supplemental legal file if requested or granted permission following a motion

Transcript

- Not signed by court reporter
- Exceeds 200 pages per volume
- Not in PDF searchable format
- Electronic version not in full page format

- If notice of appeal identified the case as "legal file only," the record on appeal closes after the legal file is filed and a motion would be needed to file a transcript

Briefs

- Missing Table of Contents or Table of Authorities
- Over the word count
- Incomplete or no Certificate of Compliance
- For Appellant's Initial Brief, no appendix

Exhibits

Electronically Filed

- No index
- No certification that the exhibits are the originals, or true and accurate copies thereof, submitted to the lower court

Deposited

- No original exhibit sticker or certification that the exhibits are the original exhibits, or true and accurate copies thereof, submitted to the lower court
- No index

Writs

- No filing fee, motion to proceed in forma pauperis, or legal services certification
- No writ summary
- No writ petition
- No certificate of service
- Certificate of service does not name the judge

Motion for Special Order allowing Late Notice of Appeal

- No certificate of service
- No judgment attached
- Not all the parties have been entered