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### **IDAHO INTERACTIVE COURT FORMS PROJECT**

**State: Idaho**

**Name of Program & Brief Description:** Idaho Interactive Court Forms Project: Document assembly of court approved forms using the A2J Author, a user friendly graphic interface using HotDos document assembly software. Internet based using the National Public Automated Document Online Server(NPADO). Users complete court forms by answering questions during a guided interview. Completed forms and instructions are then available for download or printing. A "turbo tax" for court forms.

**Date Program Was Established:** First forms were made available to the public on May 1, 2006.

**Cost/Funding Source(s):** Funded with a Legal Services Corporation Technology Initiative Grant with some state court funding.

**Program Sponsor(s):** Legal Services Corporation/Idaho Courts/Idaho Legal Aid Services/Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago Kent College of Law, Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction(A2J Author)/NPAO

**Partnerships:** All of the above.

**Target Group(s)/No. Clients Served per Year:** Low income and rurally situated self-represented litigants. Statistics on actual number of documents assembled and/or filed with the court are still being processed. However, the forms were accessed 25,000 times during the first 8 months they were available

**Staffing (FTE, Part-Time, Titles):** Mary Zimmerman, Idaho Legal Aid Services, Project Director: Part-time supervisory role in addition to her full time duties with ILAS. Camille Cameron, Idaho Legal Aid Services, Technology Project Director: Almost full-time status, developing HotDoc templates for court forms and the guided interviews. Frances Thompson, Lead Court Assistance Officer for the Idaho Courts: Part time assistance providing court responses on court forms, CAO requirements, and reviewing and critiquing guided interviews. Judge Michael Dennard: Part time duty as Director of Idaho Court Assistance Services providing court input on forms and interviews. Judge David Day: Former Chair and current member of the Idaho Standard Forms Committee providing par-time assistance on questions and issues relating to court approved forms.

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