Mission

The OASIS LegalXML Member Section develops open, non-proprietary technical standards for structuring legal documents and information using XML and related technologies.

Vision

Courts, lawyers, criminal justice agencies, legislatures, libraries, publishers, and other participants in the civil and criminal legal systems use XML standards to maintain and share electronic legal records cheaply, seamlessly and securely.

Focus

Supporting Our Technical Committees!

With…

♦ Resources: funds, infrastructure, organization
♦ Liaison with OASIS Board of Directors, management, and staff
♦ Consultant and other services
♦ Meeting support
♦ Collaboration with related groups, including ebXML (Electronic Business XML), e-Gov, and OASIS’s Universal Business Language (UBL) and Digital Signature Services (DSS)

Be Part of LegalXML

Join this community’s challenging and rewarding work by...

♦ Contacting the Technical Committee Chair in your area of interest
♦ Contacting the Member Section Chair when you think there is an area the LegalXML Member Section should explore

LegalXML

Advancing standards for legal data exchange since 1998

Standards to bring XML technology to the documents, data systems, and information exchanges in the legal arena are being built in the LegalXML Member Section of OASIS, the international e-business standards consortium.

www.LegalXML.org
LegalXML, an OASIS Member Section, unites legal and technical experts in a common forum to create standards for the electronic exchange of legal data.

**LegalXML Technical Committees**

**eContracts**

www.oasis-open.org/apps/org/workgroup/legalxml-econtracts

Enabling the efficient creation, maintenance, management, exchange, and publication of contract documents and terms

**Electronic Court Filing**

www.oasis-open.org/apps/org/workgroup/legalxml-courtfiling

Using XML to create and transmit legal documents among attorneys, courts, litigants, and others

**eNotarization**

www.oasis-open.org/apps/org/workgroup/legalxml-enotary

Developing technical requirements to govern self-proving electronic legal information

**Integrated Justice**

www.oasis-open.org/apps/org/workgroup/legalxml-intjustice

Facilitating the exchange of data among justice system branches and agencies for criminal and civil cases

The companies, institutions, individuals, and organizations participating in LegalXML are mostly volunteers from both the public and private sectors, united in the belief that well-defined standards and technical interoperability will unlock the potential of electronic legal documents and data exchanges.

**History**

Formed in 1998, LegalXML is a collaboration of attorneys, court administrators and IT staff, academics, and companies united in the belief that the widespread application of document and information exchange technology hinges on the development and adoption of national standards.

Early LegalXML work focused on electronic filing of court documents. The group’s first specifications, “Court Filing 1.0 and 1.1,” “Court Document 1.1,” and “Query and Response 1.0” addressed key areas of concern for attorneys and managers of court case records.

LegalXML joined OASIS in 2002 to take advantage of the support of the world’s leading XML standards organization.

Much of the work done in LegalXML touches on the concerns of national organizations and associations outside OASIS. Such work is presented to those groups for consideration for their adoption as business and technical standards. Specifications from the Electronic Court Filing Technical Committee are submitted for review and have been adopted by the Joint Technology Committee of the Conference of State Court Administrators (COSCA) and National Association for Court Management (NACM).