

# **NEWS RELEASE**

# ftwilliam.com of Wolters Kluwer Law & Business Launches Electronic Signatures

# ftwilliam Among First to Offer e-Signatures for Retirement Software

(MILWAUKEE, WI, March 5, 2013) – <u>Wolters Kluwer Law and Business</u>, the leading provider of research products and software solutions in key specialty areas for legal and business professionals, today announced the release of e-Signature capability in the <u>ftwilliam.com</u> secure web-portal, ftwPortal Pro making <u>ftwilliam.com</u> among the first retirement software vendors to offer document e-signatures capability for customers.

e-Signatures can be executed on any document or amendment created in the ftwilliam.com software as well other documents created outside of ftwilliam.com. The ftwilliam.com e-Signature is completely integrated with the document preparation software. Customers simply prepare the document so the ftwilliam system can automatically post it to the ftwPortal Pro and send an e-mail invitation to the document signer. Signers need only to log in to sign their documents. A record is then made of the document and signature for future reference which may be downloaded at any time to verify the employer's adoption/signing of the document. The software will also maintain a workflow grid listing the date and time of the signatures for easy management.

The benefits of electronic signatures are substantial. The ftwilliam.com e-signature option will dramatically revolutionize and automate the process and workflow for collecting all the necessary signatures required by a TPA. Additionally, combining the electronic signature feature with the batch amendment and batch restatement features enables all users to sign their documents en masse. TPAs will no longer have to print documents and request wet signatures or retrieve the signature page(s). Documents can simply be delivered via ftwPortal Pro and requisite signatures can be collected in a simple step. All records of electronic signatures are stored on the ftwilliam.com servers or may be downloaded to the TPA's computer.

According to Timothy McCutcheon, of ftwilliam, "The new e-signature feature combined with our batch document generation functionality will literally allow a TPA to perform the upcoming defined contribution restatement in an afternoon."

ftwilliam.com user Monica Searfoss agreed. "The e-sign feature will help us internally by giving us the ability to generate real time tracking of executed plan documentation for our clients. It will automate the follow-up process to ensure that we are doing everything in our power to help our clients keep their plan documents and amendments up-to-date and in compliance with the latest regulations. We are excited to be on the cutting edge of this new technology and feel that this will be a powerful tool for our firm."

Click here for more information about e-signatures via ftwPortal Pro.

#### **More Information**

To learn more about ftwilliam.com products and services, please click here or email <a href="mailto:sales@ftwilliam.com">sales@ftwilliam.com</a>.

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ftwilliam.com is a Software as a Service (SaaS) product line providing the highest quality plan documents (retirement, welfare and non-qualified), government forms (5500/PBGC, 1099 and IRS) and administrative/compliance software. The ftwilliam.com software is web-based and can be accessed by any user with a computer connected to the Internet. All plan documents and forms are delivered instantly to the desktop in word processing and Adobe® PDF format. ftwilliam.com is part of Wolters Kluwer Law & Business (www.wolterskluwerlb.com/rbcs).

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