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The IRS first started accepting e-filing (electronic filing) of income tax returns in 1986 ... almost 30 years ago. As convenient as that process was meant to be, there has always been a Catch 22 in that, in order to electronically file, the taxpayer had to file a paper form (8879) with their hand-written signature in order to be able to electronically sign their return.

The IRS has finally caught up with reality (at least in this sense) and that means the rules regarding electronic signatures are changing, and for the better. But there is still a lot of misinformation regarding e-signatures.

On Tuesday, July 15, CPA Practice Advisor is hosting a free webcast titled, "Electronic Signatures and the IRS ... Everything You Need to Know." Sponsored by Wolters Kluwer CCH, the CPE-eligible webcast will cover the latest changes to electronic filing, including topics that are especially important for tax professionals and their clients.

The core topics of the webcast will be:

- *Learn the history behind e-signatures leading up to the recent announcement by the IRS to accept e-signatures for Form 8879*
- *Understand how to ensure compliance with IRS requirements and maintain security of sensitive information*
- *Understand features you should look for from vendors*

The webcast will be hosted by Gail Perry, a practicing CPA and author of more than

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