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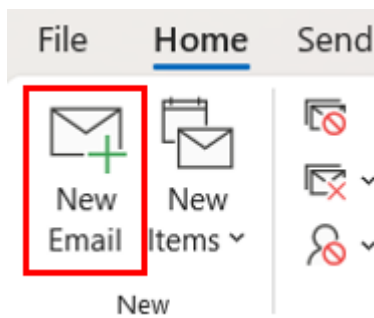
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Email signatures are a great way to quickly add your contact information and other important details to an Outlook message. Signatures can also be used to respond to common requests by setting up a predefined response.
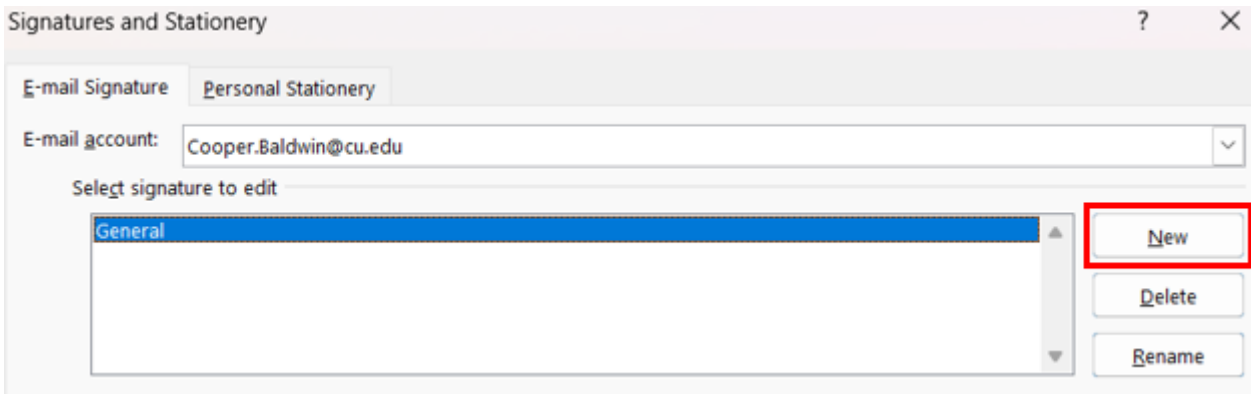
Creating or editing an email signature

1. In Outlook, select **New email** from the **Home** tab.


2. Under the **Message** tab, select the **Signature** option. Select **Signatures** from the dropdown menu.
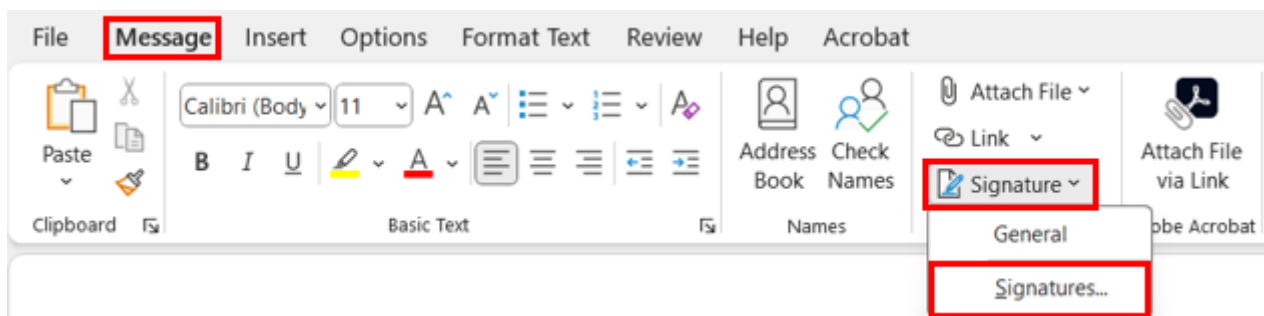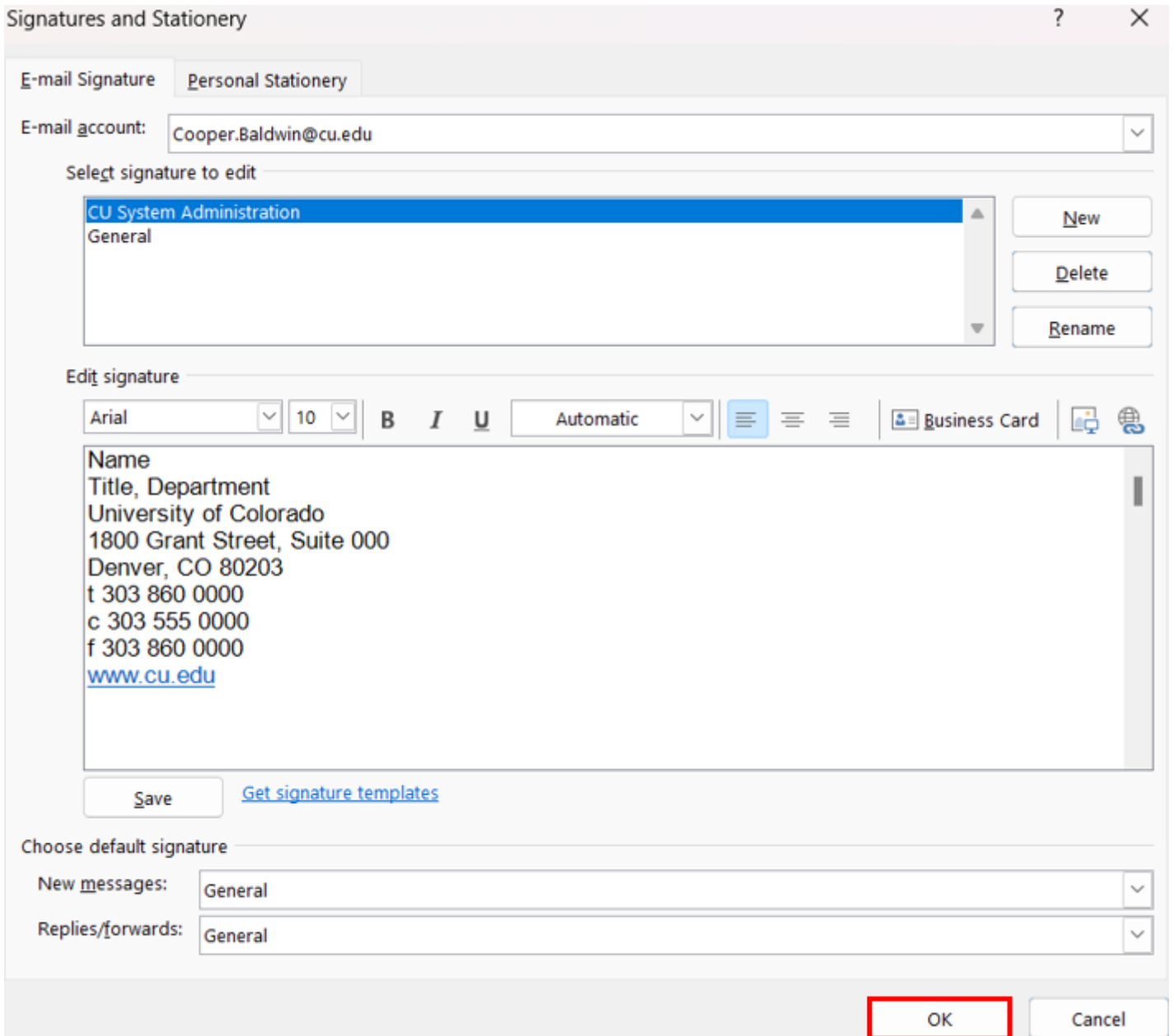

3. Select **New** and name your signature.

4. Type in your signature. Use the drop-down menu to choose a default signature for new messages and for replies/forwards. Remember to follow the University of Colorado's <u>branding guidelines and requirements for employee email signatures</u> [3].
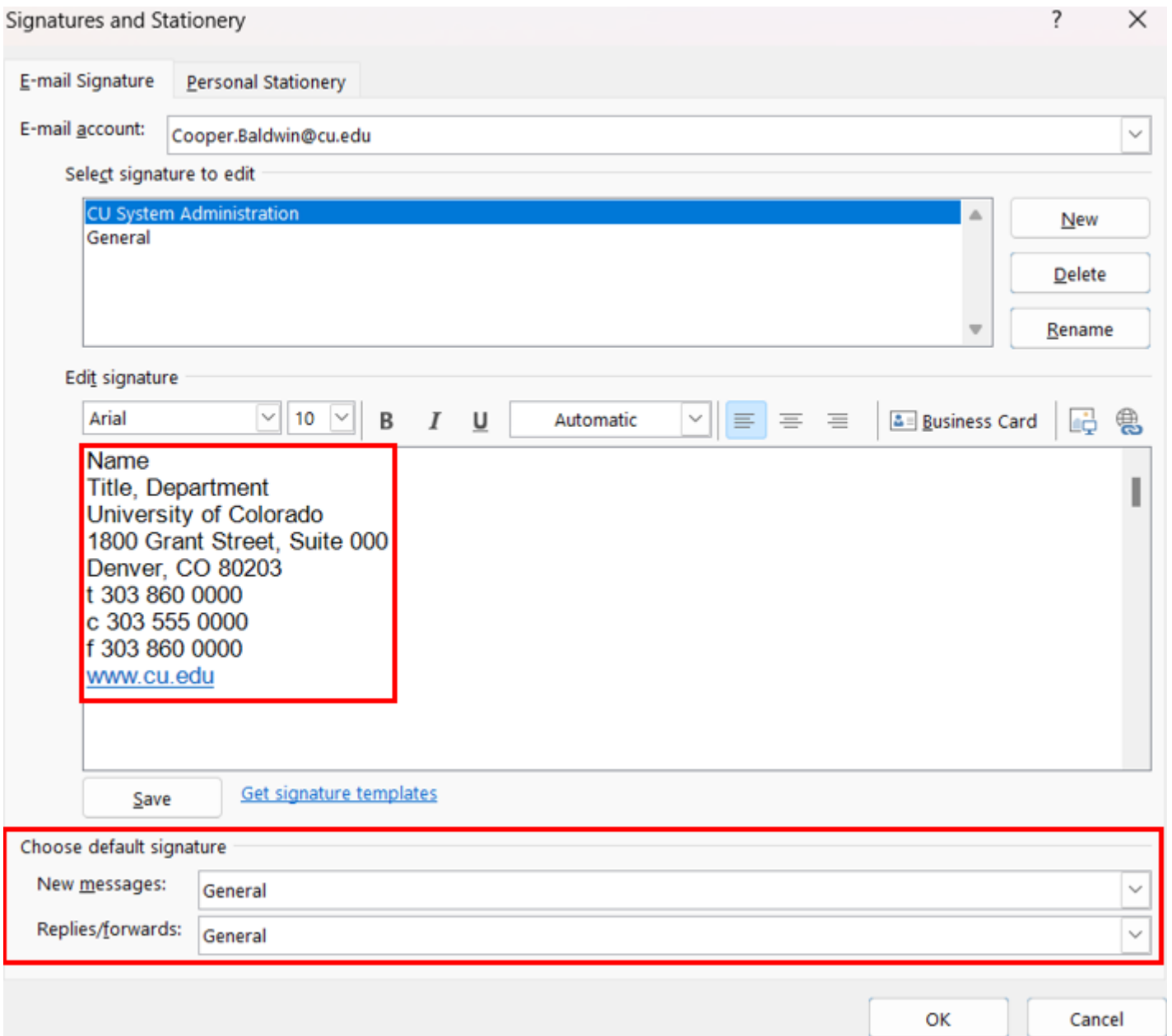

5. Select **OK** to save.

## Use a customized email signature to quickly respond to common requests

If you often send identical email replies to the same questions, you can create additional email signatures as a shortcut to pasting your standard answer into the email.

1. Navigate to the signatures panel, as described in steps 1 and 2 above.

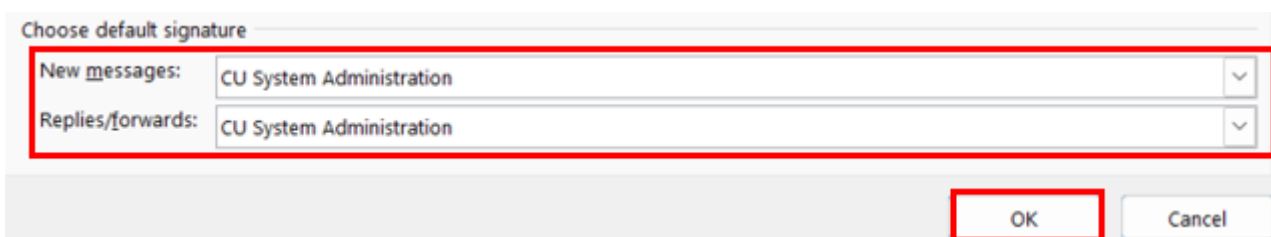**2.** Select **New** and name this signature so it clearly identifies the topic.
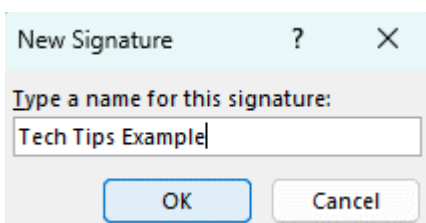
3. Draft a response to a common question. Be sure to name the signature in relation to the question it addresses. The example below is in response to users asking how to
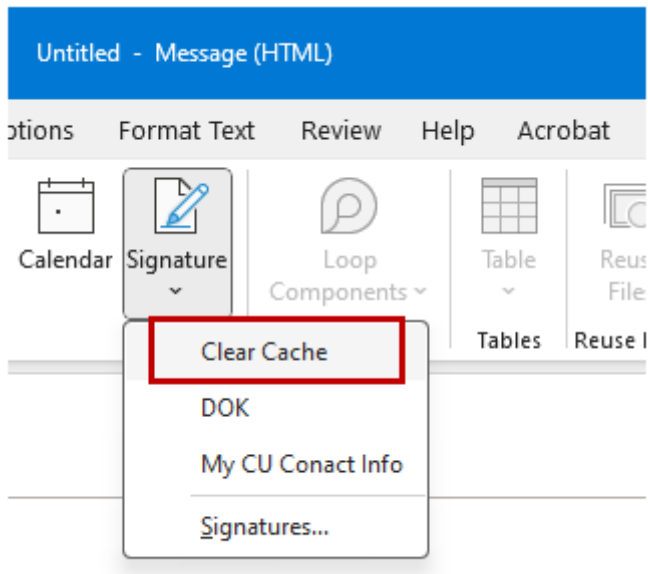
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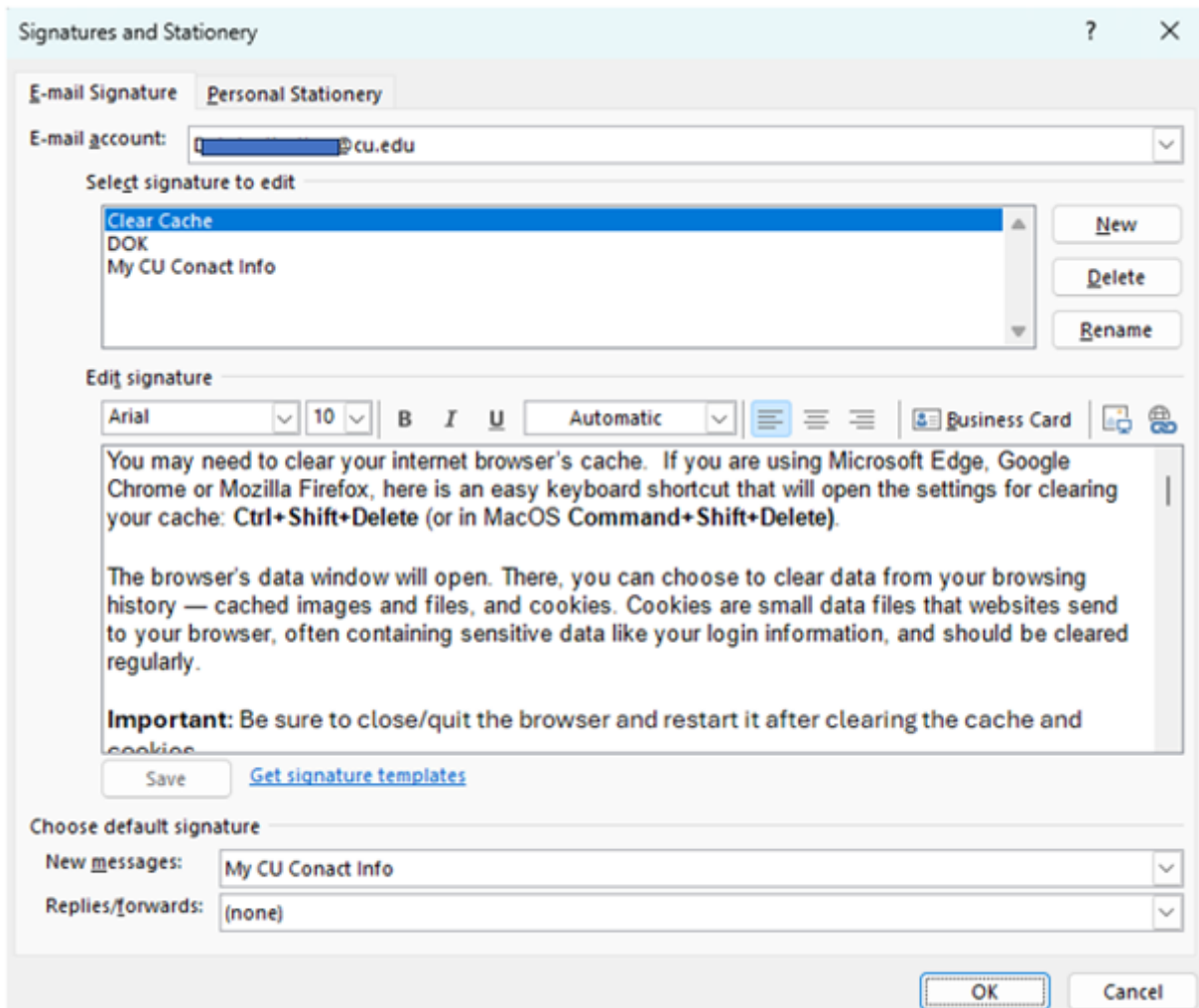
4. Confirm that this response signature is **NOT** selected for either default signature, and select **OK** to save.

5. The next time you receive the common request, your customized signature will be ready in the drop-down list of available signatures. You can select that email signature from the Signature drop-down menu to quickly reply.

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