JOHN F. WARREN
COUNTY CLERK
DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS
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PROBATE FILING FEES
EFFECTIVE: January 1, 2022

For initial cases filings that require posting and/or published citation please add the Posted Notice fee ($20), Citation by Publications fee ($65) and the Issue Citation fee($8/issuance)	
Applications for Probate of a will: Letters Testamentary, Muniment of Title, Administration with will annexed.	$360.00
Applications for Administration: Independent Administration, Dependent Administration Community Administration, or No Administration	$360.00
Combined Application for Administration and Determination of Heirship: Posted Notice and Citation by Publications fees are applicable. You will receive an additional bill from the Daily Commercial Record for publication (for the heirship proceeding) of your citation. This fee must be paid before the citation will be returned to the Clerk. Note: Add a $600.00 deposit fee suitable for the purpose of (upon court order) disbursement to the court appointed attorney ad litem in the case.	$360.00
Application To Determine Heirship Citation by Publications fees are applicable. (You will receive a separate bill from the Daily Commercial Record for the publication of your Citation. The bill must be paid before the citation will be returned.) Note: Add a $600.00 deposit fee suitable for the purpose of disbursement (upon court order) to the court appointed attorney ad litem in the case.	$360.00
Application for Letters of Guardianship: If guardianship of the person, add a $25 Court Investigator's Service fee. If guardian of the person, add a $100 deposit for Bond fee. Other than the ward's or proposed ward's family member or an attorney: Add $10 per applicant for access to Criminal History Records. Add an additional $88 for service upon the proposed ward if being served within Dallas County by a Constable. Add an additional $8 if proposed ward is being served out of Dallas County by a Constable, Sheriff or by a Private Process Server. A proposed ward 12 years of age of older must be personally served (no exceptions.) Note: Add a $600.00 deposit fee suitable for the purpose of disbursement (upon court order) to the court appointed attorney ad litem in the case.	$360.00

Application for Temporary Guardianship: Add $10 per applicant for access to Criminal History Records. Add an additional $88 for service upon the proposed ward if being served within Dallas County by a Constable. Add an additional $8 if proposed ward is being served out of Dallas County by a Constable, Sheriff or by a Private Process Server. A proposed ward 12 years of age of older must be personally served (no exceptions.) Note: Add a $600.00 deposit fee suitable for the purpose of disbursement (upon court order) to the court appointed attorney ad litem in the case.	$360.00
Original Probate of A Foreign Will In The State: Add additional $28.00 for posting if letters are needed in this State.	$360.00
Application for Sale of Real Property (Section 889)	$360.00
Civil Lawsuit (Must be ancillary to an estate and have the appointment of a personal representative. Add Additional $88.00 for personal service by a Constable in Dallas County or $8.00 for service out of county or by a private process server)	$360.00
Petition for Declaratory Judgment or Petition in Interpleader (ancillary to an estate)	$360.00
Application for Adjudication of Right of Survivorship Agreement	$360.00
Application for Private Professional Guardian (unless performed by the Texas Guardianship Certification Board: add $10 per applicant for access to Criminal History Records and $2.00 fee for proposed order)	$77.00
Application for Presumption of Death (Unless there are assets, file with District Clerk)	$360.00
Application for Successor Trustee (Ancillary)	$360.00
Ancillary Probate without Letters	$360.00
Small Estate Affidavit	$360.00
Mental Illness Case: citation included (add $150.00 with arrest fee)	$360.00
Application to Open Safety Deposit Box	$360.00
Motion to Open Safety Deposit Box	$87.00
Show Cause for Production of Will: Add $88.00 for service by Dallas County Constable or $8 is being served out of Dallas County or by a Private Process Server.	$87.00
Emergency Protection	$87.00
EST Sec. 51.203/Notice of Intention to Take a Deposition/Commission posted notice	$32.00
Will Deposit	$5.00
Court Ordered Delayed Certificate of Birth/Death ($1 per page, plus $5 for certification per set)	$1.00

SUBSEQUENT ACTIONS	
Adverse Action	$120.00
Contempt Action	$120.00
Counter Claim	$120.00
Cross-Action	$120.00
Interpleader	$120.00
Intervention	$120.00
Motion for New Trial	$120.00
Motion to Contest	$120.00
Motion to Modify	$120.00
Motion to Reinstate	$120.00
Motion to Terminate Wage Withholding	$120.00
Motion to Transfer	$120.00
Notice of Appeal	$120.00
Third Party Petitions	$120.00

CONSTABLE FEES (ADD $8 ISSUANCE FEE)	
Citations issued by clerk and served by others	$8.00
Writ of Execution, Writ of Sequestration (Other writs not specifically listed) *Writ of Garnishment (after Judgment add $202.00)	$150.00
Personal Citation (served by Dallas Constable or Sherriff)	$80.00
Subpoena (witness fee $10 cash ~ served by Dallas Constable or Sherriff)	$80.00
TRO/Injunction-request made within an existing lawsuit/injunction	$80.00
TRO -- without an original petition	$126.00
TRO --ORIGINAL PETITION FILED WITHOUT AN EXISTING CASE	$360.00
Published Citation/CMRRR by Clerk (publisher's fee billed separately)	$65.00

Show Cause Notice/Citation	$80.00
Writ of Possession (Writ of Possession without $20 fee for posting notice: $150.00)	$170.00

MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
Abstract of Judgment	$2.00
Clerk Administer Oath (per personal representative)	$2.00

Claim Deposit	$10.00
For any document containing 26 pages or more, a filing fee of $25.00 is due after the approval of the Inventory and Appraisal; or on the 121st day from the initial filing date, whichever occurs first. ($25.00 FEE DOES NOT APPLY TO CIVIL LAWSUITS)	$25.00
Decree Removing an Executor, Administrator or Guardian	$1.00
Fiat, Decree, Order ($25.00 FEE DOES NOT APPLY TO CIVIL LAWSUITS)	$2.00
Approving and Recording Bond	$5.00
Letters (Testamentary, Administration, Guardianship)	$2.00
Temporary Guardianship Certificate	$5.00
Copies (per page) Add $5.00 for certified or exemplified certificates (*Docket Sheets are not certified)	$1.00
File Retrieval from Archive	$2.00
Probate Estate Name Search	$5.00
Affidavit of Inability to Pay Court Costs: Unless an IOLTA certificate is received; all Petitions filed with an Affidavit of Inability to Pay Court Costs will be contested with the District Attorney's Office. Unless ruled indigent, no action will be taken by the court until applicable filing fees are paid.	NO CHARGE
Access to Criminal History Records (per applicant on guardianship cases including proposed temporary guardian, proposed successor guardian, other than the ward's or proposed ward's family members or an attorney. This fee has not been included with Guardianship filing fees.)	$10.00

Pleading within a probate matter (fee applies on the 91st day after qualification of the Personal Representative; or on the 121st day after the initial filing, whichever occurs first)		Pleadings that require a filing fee (Add $28 Posting fee)	
Inventory (on the 91st day after qualification of P.R unless an Order to Extend Time to File has been signed and has not expired; $2 order fee included)	$27	Final Account ($2 order and posting fees included) *Note: No posting required on Guardianship of Minors ~ Subtract. $28 posting fee	$55
Annual Account ($2 order fee included)	$27	Application for Sale of Real Property ($2 order and posting fees included)	$55
Annual Report on Condition of Ward ($2 order fee included)	$12	Application for Sale of Personal Property: Sec. 334 and 813 ($2 order and posting	$55

		fees included) *Note: If filing under Sec. 356.051, posting not required ~ Subtract $28 posting fee	

PLEADING THAT MUST BE SWORN TO BY THE APPLICATION BEFORE FILING	
Final Account	Application for Sale or Real and Personal Property
Annual Account – Report of Compliance	Application to Open Safety Deposit box
All Applications for Guardianship	Inventory and Appraisement
Application to Determine Heirship	Small Estate Affidavit – Report of Sale
Claims – Waivers – All Affidavits	Application for Emergency Intervention
Application for Appointment of a Successor Executor	Oaths (can be sworn by Clerk for fee of $2 per personal representative)

PROBATE, GUARDIANSHIP & MENTAL ILLNESS BASE FILING FEE BREAKDOWN

COUNTY PROBATE, GUARDIANSHIP & MENTAL ILLNESS- LOCAL CONSOLIDATED FEES

Clerk Account	Local Govt Code 135.102	40.00
Law Library	Local Govt Code 135.102	35.00
County Dispute Resolution	Local Govt Code 135.102	15.00
Records Management & Preservation	Local Govt Code 135.102	15.00
Courthouse Security	Local Govt Code 135.102	20.00
Appellant Judicial System	Local Govt Code 135.102	5.00
Court Reporter Services	Local Govt Code 135.102	25.00
County Jury	Local Govt Code 135.102	10.00
Language Access	Local Govt Code 135.102	3.00
Court Facility	Local Govt Code 135.102	20.00
Court-Initiated Guardianship	Local Govt Code 135.102	20.00
Public Probate Administrator	Local Govt Code 135.102	10.00
Judicial Education and Support	Local Govt Code 135.102	5.00
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED FEES		$223.00

COUNTY PROBATE, GUARDIANSHIP & MENTAL ILLNESS - STATE CONSOLIDATED FEES

Judicial Fund	Local Govt Code 133.151	82.00
Basic Civil Legal Services	Local Govt Code 133.151	20.00
Statewide Electronic Filing System	Local Govt Code 133.151	30.00
Judical and Court Personnel Training	Local Govt Code 133.151	5.00
TOTAL STATE CONSOLIDATED FEES		$137.00

TOTAL BASE FILING FEES (LOCAL + STATE) $360.00

For your convenience, you can access this fee schedule on our website: www.DallasCounty.org