

HOUSTON COUNTY DISTRICT CLERK – CIVIL FILING FEES
August 1, 2020 – Current

Base Filing Fees - New Cases

Clerk's Basic Filing Fee		50.00	
State Consolidated Fee	Civil	50.00	Family \$45.00
State Indigent Legal Services	Civil	10.00	Family \$ 5.00
Judicial Support Fee		42.00	
Records Management Fee		10.00	
Statewide Electronic Filing System Fund		30.00	
Family Protection Fee			DIVORCES ONLY \$15.00
Law Library		25.00	
Court Records Preservation Fee		10.00	
Bailiff/Sheriff Fee		5.00	
Courthouse Security Fee		5.00	
District Court Archive Fee		10.00	
Appellate Judicial System Fee		5.00	
Court Reporter Fee		15.00	
Bureau of Vital Statistics		1.00	
Judicial and Court Personnel Training Fee		5.00	

TOTAL BASE FEE: CIVIL = \$272.00, DIVORCES = ~~\$270.00~~^{273.00}, OTHER FAMILY= \$262.00

ISSUANCE AND SERVICE FEES:

Adoption - 263.00

Abstract of Judgment, Citation, Execution, Garnishment, Notice, Precept, Sequestration, Subpoena, Summons, TRO, Writ, etc. (ea)	\$ 8.00
Citation for Secretary of State	55.00
Service in County or Certified Mail	80.00
Order of Sale	110.00
Writs of Attachment/Execution/Garnishment/ Possession/Sequestration	110.00 +\$30 after 2 hours; per deputy, per hour
Service thru Sec of State or Comm of Insurance	
Ea Service [1 orig & 2 copies w/petition attached]	50.00 (3 Serve copies w/petition attached & 1 Return copy)

ADOPTIONS

Child W/O Birth Certificate	\$272.00 = \$15 Central Adoption Registration (1 per suit)
W/ Birth Certificate	319.00 = \$62.00 (CAR, Adopt Fee, Birth Cert)
2 nd & Additional Children	390.00 = \$47.00 (\$25-File + \$22-New BC - per child)
Adult	257.00

APPEALS

Civil from Justice Court / CCL	\$272.00
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<u>CIVIL</u>	\$272.00
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<u>CONDEMNATION</u>	\$272.00
<u>DIVORCE/ANNULMENT/SUIT TO VOID MARRIAGE</u>	
Pro Se	\$283.00
Divorce - Waiver	273.00
Suit to Enforce Divorce Decree	257.00 - (Use Original Cause No. and add "A"
Qualified Domestic Relation Order	257.00 - to new case)
<u>EXPUNCTION</u> <i>No fee assessed on a petition filed within 30 days of an acquittal</i>	
Base Fee	\$272.00
+Each Notice of Hearing	7.11
+Each Final Order-inc. postage by CM	8.11
Notice & Order to District Clerk	3.00
<u>FOREIGN JUDGMENT</u>	
Civil	\$272.00
Family	262.00
<u>FRAUDULENT LIEN SUIT</u>	
Only fee charged in this case	\$ 15.00
Service Fee in Person	20.00
<i>Certified Mail (Postage Only)</i>	
<u>NAME CHANGE/ EMANCIPATION OF MINOR/ OTHER FAMILY CODE TITLE 2 SUITS</u>	
	\$262.00
<u>NON-DISCLOSURE</u>	
	\$295.00
<u>OCCUPATIONAL DRIVERS LICENSE</u>	
<i>Includes Certified Copy to TDPS</i>	\$277.00
<u>PROTECTIVE ORDER</u>	
Paid by respondent	\$273.00
<u>SEVERED ACTION</u>	
	\$272.00
<u>SUIT TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY OR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS</u>	
	\$262.00
<u>TAX SUITS</u>	
	\$218.00

TRANSFER of SUIT TO/FROM OTHER COUNTY
INTO HOUSTON COUNTY

SAPCR	\$ 45.00
FAMILY LAW	262.00
CIVIL	272.00
DIVORCE	278.00
OUT OF HOUSTON COUNTY	1.00 <i>per page</i>

UIFSA SUIT
(Uniform Interstate Family Support Act) \$262.00

ADDITIONAL FEES

<u>CIVIL</u> –	Contempt Action	\$75.00
	Counterclaim	
	Cross-Action	
	Intervention	
	Motion for New Trial	
	3 rd Party Petition	
	Interpleader	\$45.00
<u>FAMILY -</u>	Contempt Action	\$70.00
	Counterclaim	
	Cross-Action	
	Intervention	
	Motion for New Trial	
	3 rd Party Petition	
	Interpleader	\$40.00

SUIT AFFECTING PARENT/CHILD RELATIONSHIP

Administrative Writ of Income Withholding	\$15.00
Motion for Contempt	
Motion for Enforcement	
Motion for License Suspension	
Motion for Modification	
Motion to Revoke a Stay of License Suspension	
Motion to Transfer Venue	
Notice of Application for Judicial Writ of Withholding	
Petition for License Suspension	
Request for Modified or Terminated Writ of Withholding	

INDEPENDENT CIVIL SUITS (No Filing Fee)

Non-Family Law Suits

- Motion for Judicial Review of Lien/Claim Documentation
- Expunction Suits Filed Within 30 Days of Acquittal

Family-Law Suits

- Minor's Application for Order Authorizing Abortion w/out Parental Notice

MISCELLANEOUS FEES

Bureau of Vital Statistics		\$ 1.00
Capias Fee (enforcement)		8.00
Certificate of Name Change		10.00
Court Registry – Administration Expense		
On funds not earning interest	5% not to exceed	50.00
On funds earning interest		10% of Interest accrued
		<i>\$50.00 is excluded from funds generated in Family Law cases (9/1/99)</i>
Court Security Fee (State or Government)		1.00
Insufficient Check		25.00
Jury Fee		40.00
Mailing Order for License Suspension – from obligor only		5.00
Passport Application Fee		110.00 Adult (16 and over)
		80.00 Under 16
Passport Processing Fee to District Clerk		35.00
Record Search – without a cause number		5.00
Re-issuance of any service of process		8.00
Sheriff/Bailiff Fee		5.00
Wage Withholding – application, order or termination (ea)		15.00
COPIES		
Certified	per page	1.00
Non-certified	per page	1.00
Non-record, use of machine,	per page	1.00

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