

CIRCUIT COURT FILING FEES

(Effective July 1, 2016)

Herald Publication Fee Effective April 1, 2019

Sheriff's Data Processing Fee Effective September 5, 2023

ADOPTIONS:

Adoption/Guardianship (no service)	\$ 159.50
Adoption/Custody (no service)	\$ 159.50
Adoption/Custody/Guardianship (no service)	\$ 159.50
Adoption w/service by our Sheriff	\$ 246.50*
Adoption w/out service or by private process server	\$ 204.50*
Adoption w/out new birth certificate (usually adult)	\$ 159.50
Adoption with service by publication to Chatt.Com	\$ 329.50*
Adoption with service by publication in Herald	\$ 259.50**
Adoption with service by publication in Times/Free Press	\$ 329.50*

*Includes the \$45.00 for new birth certificate-effective July 1, 2015

DIVORCE WITH CHILDREN:

Divorce with no service or by private process server	\$ 259.50
Divorce w/service by Hamilton Co Sheriff	\$ 301.50
Divorce with service by Hamilton Co Sheriff of summons & Restraining Order	\$ 343.50***
Divorce with publication in Herald	\$ 314.50**
Divorce with publication in Times/Free Press	\$ 384.50

DIVORCE WITHOUT CHILDREN:

Divorce with no service or by private process server	\$ 184.50
Divorce with service by Hamilton County Sheriff	\$ 226.50
Divorce with Service by our Sheriff of Summons & Restraining Order	\$ 268.50***
Divorce with publication in Herald	\$ 239.50**
Divorce with publication in Times/Free Press	\$ 309.50

FOREIGN DECREE & FOREIGN JUDGMENT:

With service on one defendant by Sheriff	\$ 201.50
Without Service or by private process or out of co Sheriff	\$ 159.50

LEGITIMATION:

With Service by Sheriff of Hamilton Co	\$ 201.50
Without Service or by private process or out of co sheriff	\$ 159.50

MINOR SETTLEMENTS

NAME CHANGE

\$ 159.50
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PETITION FOR CONTEMPT with service by our sheriff \$ 117.00***

PETITION FOR CONTEMPT without service or by private process \$ 75.00

PETITION TO MODIFY with service by our sheriff \$ 117.00***

PETITION TO MODIFY without service or by private process server \$ 75.00

RESTORATION OF CITIZENSHIP \$ 159.50

REMOVAL OF MINORITY \$ 159.50

WORKER'S COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT \$ 209.50

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SERVICE FEES:

Commissioner of Insurance	\$ 15.00
Secretary of State (per defendant being served)	\$ 20.00
In County/Out of County Sheriff for Summons	\$ 42.00***
In County/Out of County Sheriff for Restraining Order	\$ 42.00***
Publication by the Herald	\$ 55.00**
Publication by the Times/Free Press	\$ 125.00

(See Next Page for Clerk's Fee for Civil and Miscellaneous Charges Pursuant to TCA 8-21-401)

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Unless otherwise specified, fees in civil cases should be paid in advance. Cost bonds only allowed where indicated.

CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL CASES

Category One Cases (bond may be used) \$ 227.00 + \$ 57.50 Lit Tax = \$ 284.50 plus service fee
Contracts, torts, personal injury, property damage, malpractice, wrongful death, employment discrimination, civil rights suits, tax disputes, special remedies and cases not otherwise specified.

Category Two Cases \$ 152.00 + \$ 57.50 Lit Tax = \$ 209.50 plus service fee
Workers comp cases (bond may be used); appeals to circuit from general sessions, city court and other courts or hearings; transfers from foreign counties, writs of mandamus; condemnation/inverse condemnation; & quo warranto actions.

Category Three Cases \$ 102.00 + \$ 57.50 Lit Tax = \$ 159.50 plus service fee
Adoptions, legitimations, paternity cases, termination of parental rights, & other domestic relations matters not otherwise designated, restoration of citizenship, name changes, minor settlements, enforcement of foreign judgments, and [orders of protection - *fees not required in advance*].

Category Four Cases \$ 75.00+ \$ 42.00 Service thru Ham. Co. Sheriff = \$ 117.00
Child support Enforcement and modification, interstate support cases, modification of parenting plan, civil contempt.

DOMESTIC RELATIONS

Order of Protection (fee is not paid in advance) **\$ 102.00 + \$ 57.50 Lit Tax = \$ 159.50 plus service**
Divorce (with minor children) **\$ 202.00 + \$ 57.50 Lit Tax = \$ 259.50 plus service**
Divorce (without minor children) **\$ 127.00 + \$ 57.50 Lit Tax = \$ 184.50 plus service**

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES AND FEES

Post Judgment Requests <i>(Applies to each requested garnishment, execution, levy, post judgment interrogatory, publication request, motions to set installment payments, and post judgment orders and pleas.)</i>	\$ 25.00
Subpoenas	\$ 6.00/Clerk + \$ 42/Sheriff=\$ 48.00
Continuances (taxed at end of case)	\$ 7.00
Copies per page	\$.50
Mailing (certified or registered mail)	Actual costs
Certification and Seal	\$ 5.00
Expungement	\$ 100.00
Preparing a Record on Appeal from Circuit Court to an Appellate Court	\$ 300.00
Third Party Complaints	Same Clerk's fee as Original
Counter & Cross Complaints, Intervening Complaint/Petition (Civil or Domestic)	\$ 100.00