

CIRCUIT COURT FILING FEES PURSUANT TO T.C.A. § 8-21-401

(Effective January 1, 2026)

[Unless otherwise specified by statute, fees in civil cases should be paid in advance.]

***Cost bonds only allowed where indicated.**

CIVIL ACTIONS	CLERK	LIT	TOTAL
*Enforcement of contracts; injunctions; personal injury and property damage; malpractice; health care liability; wrongful death; employment and all other forms of discrimination; civil rights; tax disputes; special remedies; property disputes; and any other type of judicial proceedings not otherwise designated in this section or elsewhere by law	\$275.00	\$114.50	\$389.50
Appeals from juvenile, general sessions, probate, municipal courts, or administrative agencies; transfers from foreign jurisdictions or enforcement of foreign judgments; requests for writs of mandamus; quo warranto; or writs of certiorari; condemnations or inverse condemnations	\$200.00	\$114.50	\$314.50
Restoration of citizenship rights; delayed or corrected birth certificates	\$150.00	\$114.50	\$264.50
Name changes; minor settlements	\$100.00	\$114.50	\$214.50
Contempts; civil expungements as authorized by law (on existing cases)	\$100.00	N/A	\$100.00

DOMESTIC RELATIONS ACTIONS	CLERK	LIT	TOTAL
Divorces involving minor children	\$250.00	\$114.50	\$364.50
Divorces that do not involve minor children	\$175.00	\$114.50	\$289.50
Legitimations; paternity; termination of parental rights; and any other domestic relations judicial proceedings not otherwise designated in this section or elsewhere by law	\$100.00	\$114.50	\$214.50
Orders of protection <i>**fee is not paid in advance**</i>	\$100.00	\$114.50	\$214.50
Adoptions	\$100.00	\$88.75	\$188.75
Emergency custody; request for removal from custody; contempts; modifications of parenting plan (on existing cases)	\$100.00	N/A	\$100.00
Child support enforcements or modifications (including interstate support actions) (on existing cases)	\$75.00	N/A	\$75.00

SERVICE FEES	TOTAL
Sheriff	\$52.00/ea.
Commissioner of Insurance	\$15.00/ea.
Secretary of State	\$20.00/ea.
Publication by the Hamilton County Herald*	\$55.00/ea.
Publication by the Times Free Press*	\$125.00/ea.
Publication by the Chattanooga.com*	\$75.00/ea.

* (Check made payable to *requested publication*) *

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES AND FEES

Copies	\$0.50/page
Certification and seal	\$5.00
Exemplified copies	\$10.00 + \$0.50/page
E-mail filings	\$5.00 + \$1.00/page
Hospital lien	\$10.00
Hospital lien release	\$2.00
Issuing summonses to impanel a jury	\$100.00
Paying out funds pursuant to an installment plan	\$25.00
Post-judgment fee (<i>Per each occurrence regardless of whether judgment is enforced by garnishment, execution, levy, or other process, including, but not limited to, interrogatories, publications, motions to set installment payments, orders, or pleas</i>)	\$25.00
Continuances (<i>taxed at end of case</i>)	\$10.00
Expungements	\$100.00
Processing of funds paid through Clerk	\$50.00
Preparing a record of appeal from Circuit Court to an Appellate Court	\$300.00
Mailing (<i>certified or registered mail</i>)	Actual costs
Subpoenas	\$10.00
Third-party complaint, counter-complaint, cross-complaint, or intervening complaint	Same fee as original Complaint minus litigation tax
Writ of Attachment	\$102.00
Writ of Possession	\$77.00