

SUPERIOR COURTS OF GEORGIA  
**COST SCHEDULE**  
 Effective MAY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**CIVIL CASES**

General Civil<sup>1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8</sup> \$210.00  
 Includes Law Library fee up to \$5.00 and ADR fees up to \$10.00, if any

*Plus applicable service fees. ALL cases except: 1) Family violence<sup>9</sup>; 2) Contempt actions involving child support and/or alimony only<sup>9</sup>; 3) abandoned motor vehicle actions; and 4) Incoming transfers. See below for additional sums in condemnation and bond validation cases.*

*\*\*Municipalities, counties, political subdivisions or agencies are exempt from \$15 POPIDF-B and \$125 Judicial Operations Fund fees.<sup>7 & 8</sup> State is exempt from the \$125 Judicial Operations Fund fees.<sup>8</sup>*

Motions or petitions requesting an order filed 30 or more days after judgment or dismissal require a new action filing cost.

Family Violence <sup>9</sup>	No Fee
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Incoming Transfer from: Superior and State Court <sup>11 &amp; 12</sup>	\$50.00
Probate Court (\$50 plus add JOF fee of \$125) <sup>10 &amp; 8</sup>	\$175.00
Magistrate Court (\$60 plus JOF fee of \$125) <sup>10 &amp; 8</sup>	\$185.00
*Note that Law Libr, ADR and POPIDF-B have already been collected and disbursed in Magistrate Court	Minus fee transferred from magistrate court <sup>14</sup>
**File upon receipt of the fee transferred from Magistrate Court and send filing party a bill for outstanding balance	

Appeals from Lower Courts (same as General Civil fee)	\$210.00
Appeal for Tax Assessment (effective January 1, 2016) <sup>37</sup>	\$25.00

ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE	
Filing petition <sup>16</sup>	\$10.00
Plus per Certified copy of Order Authorizing Sale of Vehicle to be provided to purchaser/DMV pursuant to OCGA 40-11-7 <sup>17</sup>	\$2.50 plus \$.50 per page after first page

	To be collected at conclusion of action in addition to General Civil Costs above
Condemnation and Validation of Bond Action	
Per Bond <sup>18</sup>	
up to 500 bonds	\$1.00
over 500 bonds	\$.50

Per page for recording	\$1.50
Subpoena <sup>19</sup>	\$5.00
Issuing Execution	\$0.00

**PUBLICATION COSTS – STANDARD NOTICE<sup>20</sup>**

Adoption	\$60.00
Divorce and Name Change	\$80.00
Trade Name	\$40.00

**APPEALS TO SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEAL<sup>21</sup>**

Preparation of Record, per page	\$1.00
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Copying Transcript Where Required, per page	\$1.00
Preparation of transcript when clerk is not required to recopy	\$35.00
Entering Remittitur	\$0.00
Per Seal and Certification (in addition to all other costs)	\$2.00
Costs for preparation and furnishing copy of the record of appeal in capital felony case to the <u>Attorney General</u> in accordance with OCGA 5-6-43 <sup>22</sup>	No fee

<i>SHERIFF'S SERVICE FEES</i> <sup>23</sup>	
Per Copy Served, General	\$50.00
Action from Another County	\$50.00
Per Garnishee Served (1st Copy)	\$50.00
Second and Subsequent Copy(s)	\$6.00
Per Tenant in Dispossessory Action	\$25.00
Levying on attachment	\$50.00
Summoning each witness	\$10.00
Taking bonds in criminal cases	\$20.00
Search/return of nulla bona	\$20.00

<i>RECORDING COSTS – DEEDS AND REAL ESTATE</i> <sup>24, 25, 26, 2</sup>		
	1st Page	2nd and Over
Deeds	\$10.00	\$2.00
Cancellation of Security Deed Per SD Cancelled	\$10.00	\$2.00
Assignments of Security Deeds Per Deed Assigned	\$ 5.00	
Other Recording on Deed Record	\$10.00	\$2.00
Plats, Maps and Condominium Floor plans	\$ 8.00	\$8.00
Cross-indexing to previous instrument (mandatory or by request)	\$2.00	N/A

<i>PARTNERSHIPS</i> <sup>27</sup>	
General, Limited and Amendments, each	\$210.00 Includes Law Library & ADR fees, if any

<i>LIENS AND GENERAL EXECUTION DOCKET</i> <sup>24, 25, 26, 2</sup>		
	1st Page	2nd and Over
General Execution or Lien Recording	\$5.00	\$2.00
Materialman's Liens, Notices, Bonds	\$5.00	\$2.00
Lis Pendens	\$5.00	\$2.00
Hospital Lien	\$5.00	\$2.00
Federal Tax Lien	\$5.00	\$2.00
All Lien Cancellation or Release per instrument	\$5.00	\$2.00
Cross-indexing to previous instrument (mandatory or by request)	\$2.00	N/A



<b>UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY</b> <sup>24, 25, 26, 2</sup>		
	1st Page	2nd and Over
Financing Statement (UCC-1 – non real estate)	\$10.00	\$2.00
Financing Statement with Assignment (UCC-1 – non real estate)	\$20.00	\$2.00
Real Estate Notice Filing (all UCC's 1 & 3 aka old UCC-2)	\$5.00	\$2.00
Amendment or Assignment (UCC-3 – non real estate)	\$10.00	\$2.00
Continuation (UCC-3 – non real estate)	\$10.00	\$2.00
Termination or Release (UCC-3 – non real estate)	\$10.00	\$2.00
Personal Property Lien (Non-UCC)	\$ 5.00	\$2.00
Personal Property Cancellation (Non-UCC)	\$ 5.00	\$2.00
Personal Property Recording Other	\$ 5.00	\$2.00

<b>OTHER RECORDING</b>		
	1st Page	2nd and Over
Veteran Discharge <sup>28</sup>	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bar Admission Documents <sup>28</sup>	\$0.00	\$0.00
All Other Recording <sup>29</sup>	\$5.00	\$2.00

<b>NOTARY PUBLIC</b> <sup>30, 31, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8</sup>		
Issuance of New Certificate	Includes Law Library fee up to \$5.00	\$42.00
Renewal	Includes Law Library fee up to \$5.00	\$42.00
Certificate of Authority <sup>29</sup>		\$2.00

<b>TRADE NAME REGISTRATION</b> <sup>32, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8</sup>		
Registration	Includes Law Library fee up to \$5.00	\$162.00
Plus Publication Cost to Publisher <sup>20</sup>		\$40.00

<b>MISCELLANEOUS COSTS</b> <sup>29</sup>		
Copy, Uncertified, if no assistance required, per page		\$ .50
Copy, Uncertified, if assistance is required, per page		\$1.00
Copy, Certified or Exemplified, first page		\$2.50
Each page after first		\$ .50
Copy, Oversize, Larger than 8½" x 14", per page		\$2.00
Computer Printouts, per page or equivalent		\$2.50
Copy, Faxed or Electronic, first page		\$2.50
Each page after first		\$1.00
Certificate of pending action or unsatisfied judgment as provided in OCGA 40-9-40		\$3.00

#### Code Sections & Uniform Court Rule References

1	15-6-77(e)(2)	Superior Civil Base Filing fee
2	47-14-51(a) & (e)	Clerk's Retirement Fee
3	47-16-61	Sheriff's Retirement Fee
4	36-15-9	County Law Library fund, up to \$5.00, if applicable
5	15-23-7	Alternative Dispute Resolution, up to \$ 7.50, if applicable
6	15-6-77.4	Children's Trust Fund (divorce only)