

CIVIL FILING FEES IN STATE TRIAL COURTS, JULY, 2011

The Knowledge and Information Services Office (KIS) receives many requests for current information about the filing fees and other court costs that are assessed by state courts.

The attached chart has the most recent, available information on civil filing fees for state trial courts. The categories researched are as follows:

- Civil filing fees;
- Answer fees;
- Small claims fees;
- Small claims answer fees;
- Divorce filing fees;
- Probate filing fees;
- Reference.

Research included searching state and municipal court web sites, reading states' rules of courts, and contacting court administrators. For research on fees in county and/or district courts, the most populous counties in the state were generally used. For Court Type, G means general jurisdiction and L means limited jurisdiction.

Disclaimer:

Please note that this chart is for general comparative use of the basic filing fees charged for specific case type. The actual fees litigants are charged is likely to be substantially higher as the chart makes no effort to document ancillary fees such as service of process costs.

States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
AL - Circuit (1)	G	Up to 50,000: \$206; 50,000+: 306	None	N/A	N/A		\$154 (original filing); \$257 (modification)	N/A	Code of Alabama: Article 3 Costs and Fees in Civil Cases: Section 12-19-71 ; Jefferson County
AL - District (1)	L	\$216 (for which the matter in controversy exceeds \$3,000 but is less than \$10,000)	None	Up to \$1,500: \$51 \$1,500.01-\$3,000: \$125	None	Up to \$3,000	N/A	N/A	
AL - Probate (1)	L	\$15-\$75 depending on type of petition	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$45 + \$3 per page over 5 pages	Code of Alabama: Section 12-19-90
AK - Superior	G	\$150	None	N/A	N/A		\$100	\$150	Alaska Rules of Administration: Rule 9 Fee Schedule
AK - District	L	\$90	None	Up to \$2,500: \$40 \$2,500+: \$75	None	Up to \$10,000	N/A	N/A	
AZ - Superior	G	\$196	\$118	N/A	N/A		\$216, initial response \$151	\$146	Arizona Court Filing Fees

AZ - Tax	G	\$181		\$37	None		N/A	N/A	
AZ - Justice	L	\$45	None	\$16	\$13	Up to \$2,500	N/A	N/A	
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
AR - Circuit	G	\$140	None	N/A	N/A		\$140 Reopening a case = \$50	\$140 Reopening a case = \$50	Arkansas Code § 16-10-305
AR - District	L	\$65	None	\$50 minimum	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	
AR - City	L	\$25	N/A	N/A	N/A	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	
CA - Superior	G	Limited civil fee (less than or equal to \$10,000) \$225; Limited civil fee (greater than \$10,000 and not exceeding \$25,000) \$370; Unlimited civil fee \$395	\$225 (less than or equal to \$10,000); \$370(Greater than \$10,000 and not exceeding \$25,000) Unlimited, \$395	\$30 when ≤ \$1,500; \$50 when >\$1500 but ≤ \$5000; \$75 when >\$5000 but ≤ \$7500; \$100 if more than 12 claims have been filed	None	Up to \$7,500 for an individual	\$395; Response is \$395	Petition \$395; first objection \$395; Guardianship fee and responses, \$205	Superior Court of California Statewide Civil Fee Schedule (These do not include local instruction charges)
CO - District (2)	G	\$224	\$158	N/A	N/A		\$220	Small Estate: \$68 Other: \$164	Filing Fees, Surcharges and Costs, in Colorado State Courts
CO - Denver Probate (2)	G	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	Small Estate: \$68 Other: \$164	
CO - Water (2)	G	\$224	\$158	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	
CO - County (2)	L	\$97	\$92	Up to \$500: \$31; \$500-\$7,500: \$55	Up to \$500: \$26; \$500-\$7,500: \$41	Up to \$15,000	N/A	N/A	
CT - Superior	G	Up to \$2,500: \$175 \$2,500+: \$300	None	\$75	None	Up to \$5,000	\$300	N/A	State of Connecticut Judicial Branch Court Fees and Forms Public Act No. 09-152
CT - Probate	L	N/A	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	Varies (3) \$50-\$750	Probate Court Costs and Fees
DE - Chancery	G	\$250, three or more defendants is \$350	Answer fee is same as filing fee for new action.	< \$10: \$0; \$10-\$25: \$5; \$25-\$100: \$10; \$200-\$500: \$20; \$500-	N/A		N/A	N/A	Court of Chancery: Court Fees or Charges

				\$999: \$50; \$1000- \$9999: \$75					
DE - Superior	G	\$175 (+\$10 Security assessment fee)	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Superior Court Fees
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
DE - Justice	L	Various (4) \$30 - \$50	N/A	See footnotes	None		N/A	N/A	Justice of the Peace Court: Court Fees (10 Del. C. § 9801)
DE - Family	L	\$75 (custody issue - \$80)	None	N/A	N/A		\$150	N/A	Family Court Schedule of Assessed Costs
DE - Common Pleas	L	\$78	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Court of Common Pleas: Court Fees
DC - Superior	G	\$120	None	Up to \$500: \$5; \$500 to \$2,500: \$10; \$2,500 to \$5,000: \$45	None	Up to \$5,000	\$80	Varies (5)	Superior Court of D.C. – Civil Actions Filing Fees Superior Court of D.C.– Domestic Relations Filing Fees Superior Court of D.C.– Small Claims Filing Fees
FL - Circuit	G	< or = \$395 + \$2.50 for each defendant in excess of 5	None	N/A	N/A		< or = \$395	Varies (6)	28.241 Filing fees for trial and appellate proceedings; SB1718
FL - County	L	N/A	None	Up to \$100: \$50; \$100 to \$500: \$75; \$500 to \$2,500: \$170; \$2,500+: \$295	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	34.041 Filing fees
GA - Superior	G	\$82	None	N/A	N/A		\$87	N/A	§ 15-6-77. Fees; construction of other fee provisions
GA - State	L	\$117.50 (7)	None	N/A	None		N/A	N/A	See original chart.
GA - Probate	L	\$90	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$90	§ 15-9-60. Costs
GA - Magistrate	L	\$20 (7)	None	Up to \$15,000: \$49.50 + \$25 for each defendant	None	Up to \$15,000	N/A	N/A	§ 15-10-80. Filing fee;
GA - Municipal	L	N/A	N/A	\$40	None	Up to \$15,000	N/A	N/A	See original chart.

HI - Circuit/Family	G	\$275	None	N/A	N/A		\$175 w/o children; \$225 w/ children	\$175	Circuit Court Fees
HI - District	L	\$120	None	\$35	None	\$3,500	N/A	N/A	District Court Filing Fees and Costs
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
ID - District (8)	G	\$88	\$58	\$41	None	\$4,000	\$129, answer: \$58	\$138	Idaho District Court Filing Fee Schedule 2009
IL - Circuit	G	Varies (9)	Varies (9)	< \$250: \$10; \$250-\$500: \$10-\$20; \$500-\$2500: \$25-\$40	N/A	\$5,000	Varies (9)	Varies (9)	Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois – Probate Division Illinois Compiled Statutes - 705 ILCS 105 Clerks of Courts Act
IN - Superior (10)	G	\$100+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$35+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$6,000	\$100+	\$120+	IC 33-37-4-4 Civil costs fee; additional fees
IN - Circuit	G	\$100+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$35+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$6,000	\$100+	\$120+	
IN - County	L	\$100+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$35+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$6,000	N/A	N/A	
IN - Probate	G	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$120+	IC 33-37-4-7 Probate costs fee; additional fees
IN - Marion Small Claims		N/A	N/A	\$5 + 45% of the infraction or ordinance violation costs	N/A	\$6,000	N/A	N/A	IC 33-34-8-1 Fees and costs
IN - City	L	N/A	N/A	\$35+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$3,000	N/A	N/A	See original chart.
IN - Town	L	N/A	N/A	\$35+ (+\$10 per extra defendant)	None	\$3,000	N/A	N/A	See original chart.
IA - District	G	\$185; add'l \$5 charged in counties with pop. > 98,000	None	\$85	None	\$5,000	\$185	Varies (11)	Iowa Judicial Branch Civil Court Fees 602.8105 Fees for civil cases and other

States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
KS - District	G	\$156	None	Up to \$500: \$49 \$500.01 to \$4,000: \$69	None	\$4,000	\$156	\$111.50	60-2001 : Docket fee; authorized only by legislative enactment; probate fee ; small claims fee
KY - Circuit	G	\$115	None	N/A	Up to \$1,500: \$20	\$5,000	\$100		Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks' Manual: Fees and Costs
KY - District	L	Claims from \$1,500 to \$4,000: \$55	None	\$20	None	\$2,500	N/A	\$20	
LA - District	G	\$476	\$272	N/A	N/A		\$324 (answer: \$312)	\$405 over 75K, \$218 under 75K (12a)	New Orleans District Court Filing Fees Feb 2010
LA - City/Parish (12c)	L	\$140	\$140	\$66.50	\$66.50	Up to \$3,000	N/A		Baton Rouge City Court
ME - Superior	G	\$150	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	State of Maine Judicial Branch: Court Fees
ME - District	L	\$150	None	\$50 + \$15 per defendant	None	Up to \$4,500	\$120	N/A	See above.
ME - Probate	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	Varies	Cumberland County Estate Fees
MD - Circuit	G	\$80	None	N/A	N/A		None	Varies (14)	Circuit Court Fee Schedule
MD - District	L	\$38	None	\$28	None	Up to \$5,000	None	N/A	District Court Cost Schedule
MA - Superior	G	\$240	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Massachusetts Superior Court Filing Fees
MA - District	L	\$195: jurisdiction over cases up to 25K	None	Up to \$500: \$40 \$501 to \$2,000: \$50; \$2001- \$5000: \$100; \$5001 - \$7000: \$150	None	Up to \$7,000	N/A	N/A	Massachusetts District Court Filing Fees
MA - Housing	L	\$135	None	Up to \$500: \$40 \$501 to \$2,000: \$50; \$2001- \$5000: \$100; \$5001	None	Up to \$7,000	N/A	N/A	Massachusetts Housing Court Fees

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MA - Probate & Family	L	Additional \$15 if filed to a separate docket	N/A	N/A	N/A		\$215	\$215	Massachusetts Probate and Family Court Uniform Fee Schedule
MA - Land	L	\$255	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Massachusetts Land Court Fees
MI - Circuit	G	\$150	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Michigan Circuit Court Fee Schedule
MI - District	L	Up to \$600: \$25; \$601 - \$1,750: \$45; \$1751 - \$10,000: \$65 \$10,000+: \$150	None	Up to \$600: \$25; \$601 - \$1,750: \$45; \$1,751 - \$3,000: \$65	None	Up to \$3,000	N/A	N/A	Michigan District Court Fees
MI - Probate	L	\$150	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	Varies (15)	Michigan Probate Court Fees
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
MI - Municipal	L	Up to \$600: \$5.50 \$600+: \$11	None	N/A	N/A	Up to \$100; Up to \$600 if approved	N/A	N/A	Michigan Uniform Municipal Court Act
MN - District (17)	G	\$320	\$320	N/A	\$75	Up to \$7,500	\$400; Answer: \$400	\$320	357.021 Court Administrator of District Court; Fees
MS - Circuit	G	\$75	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	§ 25-7-13. Clerks of the circuit court.
MS - Chancery	G	\$75	None	N/A	N/A		Contested: \$75; Uncontested: \$30	\$75	Mississippi Chancery Uniform Court Rules
MS - County	L	\$75	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	See original chart.
MO - Circuit	G	\$100	None	\$30	None	Up to \$3,000	\$132	Varies (16)	Clay County Fees Chapter 488 Court Costs Section 488.012
MT - District	G	\$120	\$70	\$17	None		\$200	\$100	Clerk of the District Court Fee Schedule 25-1-201
MT - Water	G	\$40	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	85-2-225. Filing fee
MT - Justice	L	\$25	\$10	\$10	\$5	Up to \$3,000	N/A	N/A	25-35-608. Fees 25-31-112. Fees
NE - District	G	\$82	None	N/A	N/A		\$157	N/A	Filing Fees and Court Costs in the State of Nebraska
NE - County	L	\$45	None	\$26	None	Up to \$3,500	N/A	Varies (18)	

NV - District	G	\$99+	\$99	N/A	N/A		\$160	Up to \$20,000: No fee; \$20,000-\$200,000: \$99; \$200,000+: \$352	NRS 19.013 County clerks (Amended by AB65)
NV - Justice	L	Varies (19a)	None	Varies (19b)	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	See original chart.
NV - Municipal	L	Varies (19a)	\$12	Varies (19b)	\$12	Up to \$2,500	N/A	N/A	See original chart.
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
NH - Superior	G	\$180	None	N/A	N/A		\$180	N/A	Supreme Court of New Hampshire Order: Court Fees
NH - District	L	\$130	None	Up to \$5,000: \$72; \$5,001 - \$7,500: \$127	None	Up to \$7,500	N/A	N/A	District Court Civil Rules: Court Fees
NH - Municipal	L	\$100	None	\$60	None		N/A	N/A	Supreme Court of New Hampshire Order: Court Fees
NH - Probate	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$185	Probate Court Rules: Fees
NJ - Superior	G	\$200	\$135	\$15 (each additional defendant \$2)	None	Up to \$3,000; Up to \$5,000 for security deposit demand cases	\$250	None	New Jersey Finance Fees
NJ - Tax	L	\$200	None	\$35	None		N/A	N/A	Rule 8:12. Filing Fees
NM - District	G	\$117	None	N/A	N/A		\$137	N/A	Court Fees and Their Distribution (Amended by HB263)
NM - Magistrate	L	\$68	None	N/A	N/A	Up to \$10,000	N/A	N/A	35-6-1. Magistrate costs;
NM - Bernalillo Ct	L	\$62	None	N/A	N/A	Up to \$10,000	N/A	N/A	
NM - Probate	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$30	34-7-14. Fees of probate court clerks.
NY - Supreme	G	\$210	None	N/A	N/A		\$125	N/A	Filing Fees – Supreme Court, County Court
NY - County	G	\$210	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	
NYC - Civil	L	\$45	None	<\$1,000:\$15 ; \$1,001+: \$20	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	Filing Fees - NYC Civil; District Court, City Court
NY - District	L	\$45	None	<\$1,000:\$15 ; \$1,001+:	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	

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NY - City	L	\$45	None	<\$1,000:\$15 ; \$1,001+: \$20	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	
NY - Town/Village	L	\$20	None	<\$1,000:\$10 ; \$1,001+: \$15	None	Up to \$3,000	N/A	N/A	Filing Fees - Town Courts, Village Courts
NY - Claims	L	\$50	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Filing Fees - Court of Claims
NY - Surrogates'	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	Varies	Filing Fees - Surrogate's Court
NY - Family	L	None	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	See original chart.
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
NC - Superior	G	\$112	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$50 + \$.40/\$100 of gross estate. Total + \$61	Civil Court Costs and Fees
NC - District	L	\$92	None	\$90	None	Up to \$5,000	\$75+civil filing fee	N/A	
ND - District	G	\$80	\$50	\$10	None		\$80 (20)	\$65 (20)	ND District Filing Fees
OH – Pleas	G	\$225	None	N/A	N/A		\$350	\$25	Summit County Clerk Huron County Clerk
OH - Municipal	L	\$50 + \$10 for each additional defendant		N/A	N/A	Up to \$3,000	N/A	N/A	Maumee Municipality 1925.04 Commencing an action.
OH - County	L	N/A		N/A	N/A	Up to \$3,000	N/A	N/A	1907.24 Schedule of fees and costs. (2c) 1925.04 Commencing an action.
OK - District	G	Up to \$10,000: \$148 \$10,001+: \$161	None	Up to \$1,500: \$45 \$1,501 to \$6,000: \$148	None	Up to \$6,000	\$141	\$133	Oklahoma Fee Schedule
OK - Workers'	L	\$75	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	See original chart.
OK - Tax	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	See original chart.
OR - Circuit	G	\$197	Less then \$10,000: \$137; varies (5)	Up to \$1500: \$46.50; More than \$1500:	Up to \$1500: \$44.50; More than \$1500: \$81.50	Up to \$5,000	\$346 Answer is \$319	Varies (21)	Deschutes County Circuit Court (These fees many include other surcharges) Amended for

				\$86.50					10/1/2009 by HB2287 For more details see State Filing Fees Changes
OR - Tax	L	\$150 regular division \$75 General division	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Oregon Tax Court
OR - Justice	L	\$25.50 with form, 22.50 without	Winning party fee of \$85-\$100	\$28	\$15 (to request hearing)	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	Malheur County Justice Court
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
PA - Pleas	G	Varies (20a) \$316.48 - \$564.42	Varies (20a) \$154.54 - \$402.48	N/A	N/A		\$316.98; Answer: \$144.54	Varies (22b)	42 Pa.C.S.A. § 1725
PA – Philadelphia Municipal Court	L	Under \$2,000: \$22 \$2,001 - \$10,000: \$44	N/A	\$0 to \$2,000: \$22 \$2,001 to \$10,000: \$44	None	Up to \$10,000	N/A	N/A	42 Pa.C.S.A. § 1725
PA - District	L	N/A	N/A	Varies (20c)	Varies (20c)	Up to \$8,000	N/A	N/A	42 Pa.C.S.A. § 1725.1
RI - Superior	G	\$160	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Superior Court Fees
RI - Workers'	G	\$20	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	Workers' Compensation Court FAQ
RI - District	L	\$80	None	\$60.98	None	Up to \$1,500	N/A	N/A	Small Claims Instructions for Plaintiff
RI - Family	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		\$100	N/A	Family Court Filing Fees
RI - Probate	L	\$30	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	1% of estate, min. \$30 & max \$1,500	CHAPTER 33-22 Practice in Probate Courts
SC - Circuit	G	\$150	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	South Carolina Circuit Court Filing Fees
SC - Family	L	\$100	None	N/A	N/A		\$150	N/A	SECTION 8-21-310
SC - Magistrate	L	\$45	None	\$45	None	Up to \$7,500	N/A	N/A	SECTION 8-21-1010
SC - Probate	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	Varies (23)	SECTION 8-21-770

SD - Circuit	G	\$50	None	Up to \$100: \$17.74 \$100.01-\$1,000: \$23.74 \$1,000.01-\$3,999.99: \$33.74 \$4,000-\$8,000: \$35.74	None	Up to \$8,000	\$75	\$100	Clerk of Courts Fee Schedule
TN - Circuit (24)	G	\$75-\$225	None	N/A	N/A		\$200w/ children \$125 w/o children	N/A	8-21-401. Schedule of fees
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
TN - Chancery (24)	G	\$75-\$225	None	N/A	N/A		\$200 w/ children \$125 w/o children	N/A	8-21-401. Schedule of fees
TN - Probate (24)	G	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$36 (for a small estate) \$225 (for all others)	
TN - Sessions (24)	L	\$42	N/A	\$22	None	Up to \$25,000	N/A	\$30-60	See original chart.
TX - District	G	\$252	None	N/A	N/A		>=\$152	\$40 (25)	District Clerk Civil Filing Fees
TX - Const. Cty	L	\$40 (25)	None	N/A	N/A		\$40	\$40 (25)	See original chart.
TX - County	L	\$40 (25)	None	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$40 (25)	See original chart.
TX - Probate	L	\$40 (25)	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	\$40 (25)	See original chart.
TX - Justice	L	\$25	None	\$10	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	See original chart.
UT - District	G	Up to \$2,000: \$75 \$2,000-\$10,000: \$185 \$10,000+: \$360	None	Up to \$2,000: \$60 \$2,000-\$7500:\$100 \$7500-10K: \$185	None	Up to \$10,000	\$310	\$35	Utah State Courts Filing/Record Fees
UT - Justice	L	N/A	None	Up to \$2,000: \$60 \$2,000-\$7500:\$100 \$7500-10K: \$185	None	Up to \$10,000	N/A	Varies (26)	
VT - Superior	G	\$250	None	Up to \$1000: \$50	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	Superior and Small Claims Court Fees

				\$1001-\$5000: \$75					
VT - Family	G	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		\$250 without a stipulation; \$75 with a stipulation	N/A	Family Court Fees
VT - Probate	L	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	Varies (27)	Probate Court Fees
VA - Circuit	G	\$0.01: \$82; Up to \$50K: \$122; \$50K to \$100K: \$232; \$100K - \$500K: \$292; >\$500K: \$342	None	N/A	N/A		\$82	\$84	Circuit Court Civil Filing Fees Schedule
VA - District	L	\$44	None	\$44	None	Up to \$4,500	\$79	N/A	Varies by county
WA - Superior	G	\$230	None	N/A	N/A		\$280	\$230	Whatcom County Filing Fee HB 2362 - 2009-10
WA - District	L	\$73	None	\$39	None	Up to \$4,000	N/A	N/A	Thurston County; HB 2362 - 2009-10
States/Courts	Court Type	Civil Filing Fee	Answer Fee	Small Claims Fee	Small Claims Answer Fee	Jurisdictional Limit for Small Claims	Divorce Filing Fee	Probate Filing Fee	Reference
WV - Circuit	G	\$145	None	N/A	N/A		\$135	N/A	§59-1-11. Fees to be charged by clerk of circuit court.
WV - Magistrate	L	Up to \$500: \$30; \$500 to \$1,000: \$35; \$1,000 to \$2,000: \$40; \$2,000 to \$5,000: \$50; If relief outside of monetary damages, then \$30 + processing fees.	None	Up to \$500: \$30; \$500 to \$1,000: \$35 \$1,000 to \$2,000: \$40 \$2,000 to \$5,000: \$50	N/A	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	Information Sheet: Civil Case - Plaintiff
WI - Circuit	G	Up to \$5000: \$147.50 More than \$5000: \$265.50, Equity action: \$164.50	None	\$94.50	\$125.50, cross claim or counter claim	Up to \$5,000	\$184.50	Up to \$10,000: \$20 \$10,000+: 0.2% of estate value (28)	Civil Filing Fees, Wisconsin Circuit Court; Probate
WY - District	G	\$70	None	N/A	N/A		\$60	<\$5000: \$50; \$5000 - \$10,000: \$55; For each ten thousand dollars over	Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 5-3-206.

								\$10,000 another \$5	
WY - Circuit	L	\$40	N/A	\$10	None	Up to \$5,000	N/A	N/A	§ 5-9-135. Filing fee

Alabama: (1) Many individual counties have local court cost add-on fees that increase their filing fees and court costs.

Colorado: (2) These civil fees can and most do include the following: stabilization, tax, court security, and justice fund fees.

Connecticut: (3) Probate fees in Connecticut vary based on the size of the estate in question. For an estate valued from \$0-\$500, the fee is \$25; from \$500-\$1,000, the fee is \$50; from \$1,000-\$10,000, the fee is \$50 plus .01 of all in excess of \$1,000; from \$10,000-\$500,000, the fee is \$150 plus .0035 of all in excess of \$10,000; from \$500,000-\$4,754,000, the fee is \$1,865 plus .0025 of all in excess of \$500,000; over \$4,754,000, the fee is \$12,500.

Delaware: (4) Landlord/Tenant: \$40; Debt and Trespass Claims where amount in controversy exceeds \$5,000: \$40; Debt and Trespass Claims where amount in controversy equals or is between \$1,000 - \$5,000: \$40; Debt and Trespass Claims where amount in controversy is less than \$1,000: \$40; Replevin Action: \$50

District of Columbia: (5) Probate fees in the District of Columbia vary based on the size of the estate in question (SCR - PD 125 and 425). There is no fee for an estate valued less than \$500; for an estate worth at least \$500 but less than \$2,500, the fee is \$15; for ≥ \$2,500 but ≤ \$15,000, \$50; for ≥ \$15,000 but ≤ \$25,000, \$100; for ≥ \$25,000 but ≤ \$50,000, \$150; for ≥ \$50,000 but ≤ \$75,000, \$250; for ≥ \$75,000 but ≤ \$100,000, \$350; for ≥ \$100,000 but ≤ \$500,000, \$575; for ≥ \$500,000 but ≤ \$750,000, \$825; for ≥ \$750,000 but ≤ \$1 million, \$1,275; for ≥ \$1 million but ≤ \$2.5 million, \$1,800; for ≥ \$2.5 million but ≤ \$5 million, \$2,300; and for \$5 million and more, \$2,300 plus 0.2% of the excess above \$5 million.

Florida: (6) Filing fees in probate cases vary depending on the type of issue and the size of the estate in question from \$40 to \$395.

Georgia: (7) Fees in limited jurisdiction courts in this state are set by the individual courts and vary widely. These are representative fees.

Idaho: (8) These fees exclude multiple surcharges that can in some cases double the actual filing fee paid by those filing suit.

Illinois: (9) This state has a graduated civil filing fee schedule for courts of general jurisdiction. The counties are grouped by population into three categories. In counties with 500,000 or fewer inhabitants, filing fees range from \$10-\$160 and answer fees from \$10-\$60. Probate fees when estate is less than \$15,000 are \$25-\$40; when estate is greater than \$15,000 fees are \$50-\$150. In counties with between 500,000 and 3 million inhabitants, filing fees range from \$10-\$190 and answer fees from \$20-\$75. In counties with 3 million or more inhabitants, filing fees range from \$15-\$240 and answer fees from \$40-\$110. Probate fees when estate is less than \$15,000 are \$154; when estate is greater than \$15,000 fees are \$314. COURTS (705 ILCS 105/) Clerks of Courts Act.

Indiana: (10) In addition to the civil costs fee collected under this section, the clerk shall collect the following fees, if they are required under IC 33-37-5: (1) A document fee (IC 33-37-5-1, IC 33-37-5-3, or IC 33-37-5-4). (2) A support and maintenance fee (IC 33-37-5-6). (3) A document storage fee (IC 33-37-5-20). (4) An automated record keeping fee (IC 33-37-5-21). (5) A public defense administration fee (IC 33-37-5-21.2). (6) A judicial insurance adjustment fee (IC 33-37-5-25). (7) A judicial salaries fee (IC 33-37-5-26). (8) A court administration fee (IC 33-37-5-27). (9) A service fee (IC 33-37-5-28(b)(1) or IC 33-37-5-28(b)(2)). (10) A garnishee service fee (IC 33-37-5-28(b)(3) or IC 33-37-5-28(b)(4)).

Iowa: (11) This state has graduated probate fees based on the size of the estate. For < \$3,000 the fee is \$5. For > \$3,000 but < \$5,000 the fee is \$10. For > \$5,000 but < \$7,000 the fee is \$15. For > \$7,000 but < \$10,000 the fee is \$20. For > \$10,000 but < \$15,000 the fee is \$25. And for > \$15,000 but < \$25,000 the fee is \$30. There is a \$25 fee for each additional \$25,000 or major fraction thereof. 633.31 Calendar - fees in probate.

Louisiana: (12a) Court fees in Louisiana are set by the individual courts and vary widely. The representative fees shown are taken from the 24th Judicial District Court in Jefferson Parish and the Civil District Court for the Parish of New Orleans.

Louisiana: (12b) Court fees in Louisiana are set by the individual courts and vary widely. The representative fees shown are taken from the 24th Judicial District Court in Jefferson Parish and the Civil District Court for the Parish of New Orleans. Answer fees are dependent on what is being answered. Divorce filing fees depend on which article of divorce the filing(s) are under.

Louisiana: (12c) Court fees in Louisiana are set by the individual courts and vary widely. The representative fees shown are taken from Baton Rouge City Court.

Maine: (13) Probate filing fees in Maine are on a graduated schedule depending on the size of the estate, as follows: for \$10,000 and under, the fee is \$20; for \$10,001-\$20,000, \$40; from \$20,001-\$30,000, \$60; from \$30,001-\$40,000, \$75; from \$40,001-\$50,000, \$95;. From \$50,001-\$75,000, the fee is \$125; for \$75,001-\$100,000, the fee is \$150; from \$100,001-\$300,000, the fee increases by \$75 for every \$50,000. From \$300,001-\$400,000, the fee is \$500; from \$400,001-\$500,000, the fee is \$575. From \$500,001-\$750,000, the fee is \$625; from \$750,001-\$1,000,000, \$700; from \$1,000,001-\$1,500,000, \$750; from \$1,500,001-\$2,000,000, \$875; for more than \$2,000,000, the fee is \$950 and continuing in steps of \$100 for every increase in value of \$500,000 or part thereof above \$2,500,000.

Maryland: (14) Probate filing fees in Maryland vary according to the size of the estate and the number of heirs. Estates valued at less than \$30,000 (or \$50,000 if the spouse is the sole heir) are considered small estates and follow the fee schedule: for estates of up to \$200, the fee is \$2; for more than or equal to \$200 but less than \$5,000, the fee is 1% of the value of the small estate. For more than or equal to \$5,000 but less than \$10,000, the fee is \$50; for more than or equal to \$10,000 but less than \$20,000, \$100. For estates greater than or equal to \$20,000 but less than \$50,000, the fee is \$150.

Michigan: (15) Probate fees vary depending on the type of petition.

Missouri: (16) Probate filing fees in Missouri are on a graduated schedule depending on the size of the estate beyond a value of \$50,000. These values are as follows: for \$50,001-\$100,000, the fee is \$50; from \$100,001-\$150,000, the fee is \$100; from \$150,001-\$200,000, the fee is \$150; from \$200,001-\$250,000, the fee is \$200; from \$250,001-\$300,000, the fee is \$250; from \$300,001-\$350,000, the fee is \$300; from \$350,001-\$400,000, the fee is \$350; from \$400,001-\$450,000, the fee is \$400; from \$450,001-over, the fee is \$450.

Minnesota (17): Fees vary by county. Click on this link to see fees: <http://www.courts.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=1020>.

Nebraska: (18) Probate filing fees in Nebraska are on a graduated schedule depending on the size of the estate from a fee of \$41 if the value is less than \$1,000 to a fee of \$1,667 if the estate is worth over \$5,000,000.

Nevada: (19a) Civil filing fees in Nevada are done on a graduated scale. For suit amounts from \$.00 to \$1,000.00, the fee is \$46.00; For suit amounts from \$1,000.01 to \$2,500.00, the fee is \$68.00; For suit amounts from \$2,500.01 to \$4,500.00, the fee is \$118.00; For suit amounts from \$4,500.01 to \$6,500.00, the fee is \$143.00; For suit amounts from \$6,500.01 to \$7,500.00, the fee is \$168.00; For suit amounts from \$7,500.01 to \$10,000.00, the fee is \$193.00.

Nevada: (19b) Small Claims filing fees in Nevada are done on a graduated scale. For suit amounts from \$.00 to \$1,000.00, the fee is \$43.00; For suit amounts from \$1,000.01 to \$2,500.00, the fee is \$63.00; For suit amounts from \$2,500.01 to \$5,000.00, the fee is \$83.00.

North Dakota: (20) Both the regular civil filing fee and the fee for dissolution of marriage are \$80, but \$15 of the regular fee and \$65 of the divorce fee are surcharges that fund the civil legal services and displaced homemaker account.

Oregon: (21) Circuit court probate filing fees vary according to the size of the estate as follows: Where the amount of the estate is: 1. Not more than \$10,000—a fee of \$78. 2. More than \$10,000 and not more than \$25,000—a fee of \$150. 3. More than \$25,000 and not more than \$50,000—a fee of \$253. 4. More than \$50,000 and not more than \$100,000—a fee of \$355. 5. More than \$100,000 and not more than \$500,000—a fee of \$457. 6. More than \$500,000 and not more than \$1,000,000—a fee of \$599. 7. More than \$1,000,000—a fee of \$622.

Pennsylvania: (22a) Filing fees in the court of common pleas vary according to the size of the county in which the court is located and, in some cases, the amount at issue. In 1st Class Counties, the base filing fee is \$172 and the answer fee \$86 (including divorce); in 2nd Class Counties, the filing fee is \$35 and the answer fee \$15; in 2nd Class, Home Rule Counties, filing fees vary between \$25 and \$125 and there is no answer fee; in 2nd Class A through 8th Class and Home Rule Counties, filing fees vary between \$5 and \$40 and there is no answer fee. (Pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. 1725)

Pennsylvania: (22b) The filing fees for probate proceedings vary according to the size of the estate. Estate not exceeding \$1,000: \$14.00; Each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof over \$1,000, but not exceeding \$10,000: 7.00; Over \$10,000, but not exceeding \$25,000: 140.00; Over \$25,000, but not exceeding \$100,000: 279.00; Over \$100,000, but not exceeding \$500,000: 419.00; Over \$500,000, but not exceeding \$1,000,000: 559.00; Each additional \$500,000 or fraction thereof over \$1,000,000: 300.00. 42 Pa.C.S.A. § 1725(c)(1).

Pennsylvania: (22c) Filing fees in the District Justice Courts depend on the type of case and the amount in question. Landlord-tenant actions involving less than \$2,000: \$45.00; involving more than \$2,000 but not more than \$4,000: \$55.00; involving more than \$4,000 but not more than \$8,000: \$75.00. For all other cases, suits for less than \$500 have a fee of \$30; for \$500 - \$2000, \$40; for \$2000-\$4000, \$50; and for \$4001-\$8000, \$75. 42 Pa.C.S.A. § 1725.1

South Carolina: (23) In estate and conservatorship proceedings, the fee shall be based upon the gross value of the decedent's probate estate or the protected person's estate as shown on the inventory and appraisal as follows: (1) Property valuation less than \$5,000.00 \$25.00 (2) Property valuation of \$5,000.00 but less than \$20,000.00 \$45.00 (3) Property valuation of \$20,000.00 but less than \$60,000.00 \$67.50 (4) Property valuation of \$60,000.00 but less than \$100,000.00 \$95.00 (5) Property valuation of \$100,000.00 but less than \$600,000.00 \$95.00 plus .15 percent of the property valuation between \$100,000.00 and \$600,000.00 (6) Property valuation of \$600,000.00 or higher amount set forth in (5) above plus one-fourth of one percent of the property valuation above \$600,000.00. Fees for settlement of estates; disposition of fees by Department of Revenue. [SC ST SEC 8-21-790] The office of the probate court must also be paid fees according to the following schedule for each estate settled: On the first \$100.00 of tax collected 5%; Above \$100.00 and up to \$1,000.00 2% ; Above \$1,000.00 and up to \$10,000.00 1 1/2 %; Above \$10,000.00 and up to \$50,000.00 1%; Above \$50,000.00 and up to \$100,000.00 3/4 of 1%; Above \$100,000.00 and up to \$300,000.00 1/2 of 1%; Above \$300,000.00 1/4 of 1%.

Tennessee: (24) Filing fees vary widely from county to county. The fees shown are drawn from the Tennessee Code 8-21-401 Schedule of fees

Texas: (25) Total assessments vary locally and also depend on number of plaintiffs. In addition to these base fees of the clerk, an additional \$40 "filing fee" must be collected in each civil case "to be used for court-related purposes for the support of the judiciary." Generally, there are a variety of surcharges and an occasional miscellaneous charge that tend to add at least \$100 to the base fee in all civil actions.

Utah: (26) Probate fees are as follows: less than or equal to \$50,000, \$15; \$50,001-\$75,000, \$30; \$75,001-\$112,000, \$50; \$112,001-\$168,000, \$90, more than \$168,000, \$175.

Vermont: (27) Fees in Probate Court vary depending on the value of the estate in question. For estates \leq \$10,000 the fee is \$25; for \$10,001-\$50,000 the fee is \$75; for \$50,001-\$150,000 the fee is \$200; for \$150,001-\$500,000 the fee is \$375; for \$501,000-\$1,000,000 the fee is \$625; for \$1,000,001-\$5,000,000 the fee is \$1000; for \$5,000,001-\$10,000,000 the fee is \$1,500; for $>$ \$10,000,000 the fee is \$1,750.

Wisconsin: (28) These figures represent inventory fees for estates, guardianships, and conservatorships. One must pay \$3 to file a claim against an estate and \$20 to object to the probate of a will.