

**DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND
CIVIL COST SCHEDULE AND OTHER CHARGES**

	<u>FILING FEE</u>	<u>SERVICE FEE</u> (See Footnote)
Assignment of Wages.....	\$20*	(a)
Body Attachment.....	---	(b)
Complaint (other than Small Claims) filed in action of:		
1) Tort, Contract, Detinue, Confessed Judgment, Attachment Before Judgment, and Grantee Suit for Possession, Replevin and Show Cause Order	\$30*	(a)
2) Wrongful Entry and Detainer, Breach of Lease, Tenant Holding Over, Injunction.....	\$30*	(b)
Cross Claims, Counter Claims, Third Party Claims and Interpleader Action.....	\$20	(a)
Complaint in Small Claims Actions.....	\$20*	(a)
Small Claims Actions - Cross Claims, Counter Claims, Third Party Claims.....	\$10	(a)
Distress and Show Cause Order	\$20*	(a)
	if amount of rent is \$500 or less; add \$5 for each additional \$500 rent	
Reissue of Distress & Show Cause Order	\$ 2	---
Distress Order of Levy	\$ 5	(b)
Notice of Lien.....	\$15 payable to Circuit Court	---
Temporary Peace Order.....	\$30*	(c)
Petition for Show Cause Order (per defendant)	\$10	(a)
Recordation of Foreign Judgment	\$35*	---
Renewal of Judgment	\$10	---
Renewal (per defendant) of Order for Oral Examination, Show Cause Order, Summons (includes Notice of Confessed Judgment).....	\$ 5	(a)
Request for Certification of Judgment Under Act of Congress (Triple Seal)	\$10	---
Request for Oral Examination (per defendant)	\$10	(a)
Request for Writ of Execution or Possession	\$10	(b)
(Service fee also applies to Execution issued in Attachment before Judgment)		
Request for Writ of Garnishment of Property or Wages.....	\$10	(a)
(Service fee also applies to Garnishment issued in Attachment before Judgment)		
Subpoena	---	(a)
Summary Ejectment:		
In all counties except Baltimore City	\$ 9*	\$ 5
		for each tenant of record
Summary Ejectment:		
In Baltimore City.....	\$ 9*	\$ 5
		for each location; additional fee of \$5 for each tenant for whom personal service is requested
Transmittal of Certified Copy of Judgment, Assignment of Judgment, Recording L/T Judgment	\$10	---
Warrant of Restitution	---	(b) per case
Writ of Replevin.....	---	(b)
Appeal.....	\$10	---
* Includes MD Legal Services Corporation Fund Surcharge	(Plus \$105 payable to Circuit Court)	
\$10-New Civil Filings \$5-Summary Ejectment Cases		

SERVICE FEES:

- (a) Fee if served by Sheriff/Constable is \$30 for each defendant or address. (Cecil County Sheriff Only - \$35)
Fee if mailed by clerk is \$10 for each defendant or address.
- (b) Sheriff/Constable service required by law. Fee is \$30 for each defendant. (Cecil County Sheriff Only - \$35)
- (c) Fee if served by Sheriff is \$30 for each defendant or address. (Cecil County Sheriff Only - \$35)

OTHER CHARGES

Photocopies (no additional charge for true test copies)	\$.50 per page
Computer printouts.....	\$.50 per page
Certified Copies.....	\$ 5 each
Transcripts.....	\$75 deposit + \$3 per page for orig. + 1 copy
Recordings.....	\$15 per case
Petition for Expungement (excluding cases with verdict of acquittal)	\$30
Petition to Extend Time/Strike Bond Forfeiture	\$25
Petition to Remit Bond Forfeiture	\$25
Motion for Allowance of Expenses after Voluntary Surrender	\$25

NO FEES TO PETITIONER

Domestic Violence (filing, service, recordation of foreign judgment, or appeal) no fee

IMPORTANT NOTICE
District Court Administrative Regulation XIX - Civil Costs

In all civil cases, except those noted below, the required costs, including the fee for service of process, shall be paid at the time the complaint, writ, petition, or request is filed.

Exceptions:

- (1) The State of Maryland and officers, agencies, and departments thereof shall not be taxed costs in any District Court proceeding;
- (2) Advance payment of costs shall not be required in a case in which the plaintiff/petitioner is represented by counsel paid through JUDICARE; provided by Maryland Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.; or retained through a pro bono or legal services program that is recognized by Maryland Legal Services Corporation if the program provides the clerk with a memorandum that names the program, attorney(s) and client(s) and that specifies that representation is being provided for client(s) meeting the financial eligibility criteria of the corporation.
- (3) Advance payment of costs shall not be required in a case filed by a county or municipality of the State of Maryland.

In any civil case in which no advance costs have been paid, the Court shall allow costs in favor of the prevailing party.

If the judgment creditor is the prevailing party, he shall, upon being paid all amounts due, including costs, furnish to the judgment debtor and file with the clerk a written statement (order of satisfaction) that the judgment has been satisfied. The clerk shall not accept the order for filing unless the costs are tendered with it.

If the judgment debtor is the prevailing party, the clerk shall bill the plaintiff for all costs, except no payment is required by the State of Maryland.

The attached schedule is hereby adopted as the costs to be paid for all proceedings in any civil case in the District Court.

REFUNDS

Except as provided by statute, a charge, cost, or fee is not refundable. Overpayment refunds of \$5 or less will not be processed unless the individual due the refund makes a request in writing, in person, or by telephone.

BAD CHECKS

An additional \$10 service fee will be imposed for each dishonored check.

GENERAL INFORMATION

A MAXIMUM OF TWENTY (20) CIVIL CASE FILINGS, PER CHECK, WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM ATTORNEYS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES. (This requirement does not pertain to Landlord/Tenant actions for non-payment of rent.)

In correspondence with the court, including inquiries, motions, and pleadings:

Please include the case number and trial date. This information should also appear on the envelope in which papers are mailed to the court, so that priority matters may be expeditiously handled.

The address for service should include apartment number (if there is a number), zip codes as part of the address, and county. "P.O." is not appropriate when requesting service.

Positive identification of all motor vehicles to be seized is required, including make and model. A copy of title must be submitted. All liens must be shown in order that value may be determined.

If service of process is to be made on the:

STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION, an additional \$50 fee is required. A check or money order should be made payable to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation. All county and Baltimore City governmental agencies are exempt from this fee. (This agency requires two copies of each paper for each defendant to be served);

MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION, an additional \$15 fee is required. A check or money order should be made payable to the Maryland Insurance Administration. (This agency requires two copies of each paper for each defendant to be served.)