

#### **Michigan Supreme Court**

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: County Clerks

Probate Registers
District Court Clerks

cc: All Court Administrators

From: Milton L. Mack, Jr.

Date: February 29, 2016

Re: SCAO Administrative Memorandum 2016-02

Electronic Filing System (EFS) Fee Resource

Beginning March 1, 2016, a new electronic filing system (EFS) fee is required to be paid at the start of each "civil action" for which a filing fee is required. *Civil action* is defined in 2015 PA 230 (to be codified at MCL 600.1985) as "an action that is not a criminal case, a civil infraction action, a proceeding commenced in the probate court under section 3982 of the estates and protected individuals code, 1988 PA 386, MCL 700.3982, or a proceeding involving a juvenile under chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.1 to 712A.32." The following chart has been developed to assist courts in determining when the fee must be assessed. Assessments for circuit court are listed beginning on page 2, district court begins on page 7, and probate court begins on page 9.

#### NOTES:

- 1. For cases not otherwise exempt, the fee is not assessed if a fee waiver is automatic or granted by the judge.
- 2. The fee is only assessed once per case at its initiation. Therefore, once paid, the fee is not assessed again if an appeal is filed on the case or the case is transferred for change of venue.
- 3. The fee is not assessed for non-case activity or actions that normally require no filing fee, including, but not limited to, discovery subpoenas for out-of-state cases, investigative subpoenas, non-party contempt proceedings, secret marriage applications, and wills filed for safekeeping.
- 4. Any civil action cases in which a government agency/department is the party are exempt. Examples of these types of cases include property tax cases or condemnation proceedings filed by a city attorney or prosecuting official; custody, paternity, or support cases filed by the prosecuting attorney; or guardianship or conservatorship cases filed by an attorney general, administrator of veterans affairs, or other agency of county government. Civil

action cases filed by government officials on behalf of a party, however, are not exempt. An example is adoption cases filed by the Department of Health and Human Services on behalf of the party.

# **CIRCUIT COURT CASE-TYPE CODES**

Juvenile Felonies

FJ

(see also probate court for fees on ancillary proceedings)

#### Appeals

-FF				
	AA	Agencies	\$25.00	
	AE	Employment Security Commission	EXEMPT	
	AP	Parole Board Decisions	\$25.00	
	AR	Criminal Appeals	EXEMPT	
	AV	Civil Appeals	EXEMPT	
Admir	istrativ	e Review, Superintending Control, Extraordinary Writs		
	AH	Habeas Corpus	EXEMPT	
	AL	Licensing and Vehicles	\$25.00	
	AS	Superintending Control	\$25.00	
	AW	Writs	\$25.00	
Criminal				
	AX	Extradition/Detainer	EXEMPT	
	FC	Capital Felonies	EXEMPT	
	FH	Noncapital Felonies	EXEMPT	

**EXEMPT** 

# Civil Damage Suits

	ND	Property Damage, Auto Negligence	\$25.00
	NF	No-Fault Automobile Insurance	\$25.00
	NH	Medical Malpractice	\$25.00
	NI	Personal Injury, Auto Negligence	\$25.00
	NM	Other Professional Malpractice	\$25.00
	NO	Other Personal Injury	\$25.00
	NP	Products Liability	\$25.00
	NS	Liquor Control	\$25.00
	NZ	Other Damage Suits	\$25.00
Other Civil Matters			
	СВ	Business Claims	\$25.00
	CC	Condemnation	\$25.00
	CD	Employment Discrimination	\$25.00
	CE	Environment	\$25.00
	CF	Forfeiture Claims	\$25.00
	СН	Housing and Real Estate	\$25.00
	CK	Contracts	\$25.00
	CL	Labor Relations	\$25.00
	CP	Antitrust, Franchising, and Trade Regulation	\$25.00
	CR	Corporate Receivership	\$25.00
	CZ	General Civil	\$25.00

# Other Civil Matters (continued)

	PC	Proceedings to Restore, Establish, or Correct Records	\$25.00
	PD	Claim and Delivery	\$25.00
	PR	Receivers in Supplemental Proceedings	\$25.00
	PS	Supplemental Proceedings	\$25.00
	PZ	Miscellaneous Proceedings	\$25.00
Fami	ily Divisi	ion - Domestic Relations	
	DC	Custody	\$25.00
	DM	Divorce, Minor Children	\$25.00
	DO	Divorce, No Children	\$25.00
	DP	Paternity	EXEMPT
	DS	Other Support	EXEMPT
	DZ	Other Domestic Relations Matters	\$25.00
	UD	Assist with Discovery	EXEMPT
	UE	UIFSA Establishment	EXEMPT
	UF	UIFSA Filing	EXEMPT
	UI	UIFSA Initiation	EXEMPT
	UM	UIFSA Registration of Orders for Modification	EXEMPT
	UN	UIFSA Registration of Orders for Enforcement	EXEMPT
	UT	Transfer UIFSA	EXEMPT
	UW	Registration of Income Withholding Orders	EXEMPT

# Family Division - Proceedings under Juvenile Code

	DJ	Designated Juvenile Offenses	EXEMPT
	DL	Delinquency Proceedings	EXEMPT
	JG	Juvenile Guardianship	EXEMPT
	NA	Child Protective Proceedings	EXEMPT
	PJ	Personal Protection Actions Against a Minor	EXEMPT
	TL	Traffic and Local Ordinance	EXEMPT
Famil	y Divisi	ion - Proceedings under Adoption Code	
	AB	Adult Adoptions	\$25.00
	AC	Agency International Adoptions	\$25.00
	AD	Direct Placement Adoptions	\$25.00
	AF	Relative Adoptions	\$25.00
	AG	Safe Delivery of Newborn Adoptions	\$25.00
	AM	Permanent Ward Adoptions (state ward or court ward)	\$25.00
	AN	Nonrelative Adoptions	\$25.00
	AO	Agency Other Adoptions	\$25.00
	AY	Stepparent Adoptions	\$25.00

## Family Division - Miscellaneous Proceedings

	EM	Emancipation of Minor	\$25.00
	ID	Infectious Disease	EXEMPT
	NB	Safe Delivery of Newborn Child	EXEMPT
	NC	Name Change	\$25.00
	PH	Personal Protection Against Stalking	EXEMPT
	PP	Personal Protection in Domestic Relationships	EXEMPT
	PW	Waiver of Parental Consent to Obtain Abortion	EXEMPT
	VF	Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care Act	EXEMPT
	VP	Violation on Out-of-County Personal Protection Order	EXEMPT
Court of Claims			
	MA	Habeas Corpus	EXEMPT
	MB	Writs of Mandamus	\$25.00
	MD	Highway Defect	\$25.00
	MH	Medical Malpractice	\$25.00
	MK	Contracts	\$25.00
	MM	Constitutional Claims	\$25.00
	MP	Prisoner Litigation	\$25.00
	MT	Tax-Related Suits	\$25.00
	MZ	Other Damage Suits	\$25.00

## **DISTRICT COURT CASE-TYPE CODES**

#### Criminal

Е	EX	Extradition/Detainer	EXEMPT
F	Ϋ́	Felony Criminal	EXEMPT
O	ΟM	Ordinance Misdemeanor Criminal	EXEMPT
S	SM	Statute Misdemeanor Criminal	EXEMPT
Traffic			
F	FD	Felony Drunk Driving	EXEMPT
F	T	Felony Traffic	EXEMPT
O	DD	Ordinance Misdemeanor Drunk Driving	EXEMPT
O	Ν	Ordinance Civil Infraction Traffic	EXEMPT
O	TC	Ordinance Misdemeanor Traffic	EXEMPT
S	SD	Statute Misdemeanor Drunk Driving	EXEMPT
S	SI	Statute Civil Infraction Traffic	EXEMPT
S	ST	Statute Misdemeanor Traffic	EXEMPT
Nontraffic Civil Infraction and Parking			
O	ΟK	Ordinance Parking	EXEMPT
O	ΟN	Ordinance Civil Infraction Nontraffic	EXEMPT
S	SK	Statute Parking	EXEMPT
S	SN	Statute Civil Infraction Nontraffic	EXEMPT

# Civil Damage Suits

GC	General Civil (monetary claims)	\$10.00
GZ	Claim and Delivery (complaint for possession only or complaint for money damages only)	\$10.00
GZ	Claim and Delivery (combined complaint for possession and money damages)	\$20.00
GZ	Miscellaneous Civil (nonmonetary claims, including petitions regarding impounded/abandoned vehicles)	\$10.00
SC	Small Claims	\$5.00
Housing and Real Estate Suits		
LT	Landlord-Tenant Summary Proceedings (complaint for possession only or complaint for money damages only)	\$10.00
LT	Landlord-Tenancy Summary Proceedings (combined complaint for possession and money damages)	\$20.00
SP	Land Contract Summary Proceedings (complaint for possession only or complaint for money damages only)	\$10.00
SP	Land Contract Summary Proceedings (combined complaint for possession and money damages)	\$20.00

## PROBATE COURT CASE-TYPE CODES

## Estates, Trusts, Wills

Deman	nds for notice - no estate pending; MCL 700.3205	\$25.00	
DA	Decedent Estates, Supervised Administration	\$25.00	
DE	Decedent Estates, Unsupervised Administration and Nonadministered Estates	\$25.00	
DH	Determination of Heirs (separate proceeding)	\$25.00	
PE	Small Estates (MCL 300.3982)	EXEMPT	
TR	Trust Registration	EXEMPT	
TT	Trust, Testamentary	\$25.00	
TV	Trust Inter Vivos	\$25.00	
Guardianships and Conservatorships (this also applies to circuit court ancillary proceedings)			
Requests for notice - no proceeding pending; MCL 700.5104			
CA	Adult Conservatorship	\$25.00	
CY	Minor Conservatorship	\$25.00	
DD	Developmental Disability Guardianship	EXEMPT	
GA	Adult Guardianship	\$25.00	
GL	Limited Guardianship of Adult	\$25.00	
GM	Minor Guardianship	\$25.00	
LG	Limited Guardianship of Minor	\$25.00	
PO	Protective Orders	\$25.00	

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## Mental Illness Proceedings and Judicial Admission

(this also applies to circuit court ancillary proceedings)

JA	Judicial Admission	EXEMPT
MI	Mental Illness Proceedings	EXEMPT
Civil and Mis	cellaneous Proceedings	
BR	Delayed Registration of Foreign Birth	\$25.00
CZ	Civil	\$25.00
ML	Miscellaneous Matters, except as follows:	EXEMPT
	Advanced Directive Proceeding	\$25.00
	Review of Drain Commission	\$25.00
	<ul> <li>Petition for Order to Donate Kidney by Minor</li> </ul>	\$25.00
	<ul> <li>Petition to Establish Death of Victim of</li> </ul>	
	Accident or Disaster	\$25.00
	<ul> <li>Petition Under Uniform Transfers to Minors Acts</li> </ul>	\$25.00