

Probate and Family Court Department Uniform Fee Schedule – Effective March 31, 2012

****Some of the fees listed in this fee schedule are subject to change due to pending legislation.****

NOTE: The fees listed below do NOT include the fee for a citation or summons. Each citation is an additional \$15 and each summons is an additional \$5. Costs for publication, if applicable, are the responsibility of the petitioner/plaintiff.

Any party entering a complaint, petition or other civil action in which an initial filing fee is payable, and to which a separate docket number is assigned shall pay to the Register a surcharge of \$15 in addition to the fee otherwise required. See G. L. c. 262, § 4C.

Category	Type of Pleading (in alphabetical order)	Filing Fee	Surcharge (if applicable)
Abuse Prevention	Abuse Prevention/Abuse Protection	No Fee	
	Disabled Abuse Petition	No Fee	
	Elderly Abuse Petition	No Fee	
Accounts	Petition or Application for Allowance:		
	Where the gross value accounted for in Schedule A of the Account is \$1,000 or less	No Fee	
	Where the gross value accounted for is more than \$1,000 but not more than \$10,000, provided, however, that the fees shall not exceed \$170 regardless of the time covered by such account	\$75	
	Where the gross value accounted for is \$10,000 or more than \$10,000 but not more than \$100,000 (per year or major fraction thereof covered by such account)	\$100	
	Where the gross value accounted for is more than \$100,000 but not more than \$500,000 (per year or major fraction thereof covered by such account)	\$150	
	Where the gross value accounted for is more than \$500,000 but not more than \$1,000,000 (per year or major fraction thereof covered by such account)	\$200	
	Where the gross value accounted for is more than \$1,000,000 (per year or major fraction thereof covered by such account)	\$400	
Adoption	Dispense with consent to adoption, Petition	No Fee	
	Petition	No Fee	
Bonds/ Surety	Discharge of Surety, Petition	\$60	
	Filing of a Bond	\$50	
	Leave to Bring suit on a bond	No Fee	
	New Bond	\$75	
	Reduction of Bond, Petition	No Fee	
Change of Name	Motion – in divorce actions only, during Nisi period	\$100	
	Petition	\$150	\$15

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Guardian/ Conservator <i>(Note: There are additional fees for the filing of a bond and for Letters or Certificates of Orders or Decrees.)</i>	Appointment of Conservator or for Single Transaction, Petition (No fee - if petition is filed concurrently with a petition for removal, resignation or termination of a conservator.)	\$150	\$15
	Appointment of a Guardian, Petition	No Fee	
	Expand, Modify, Limit Powers of a Guardian, Petition	No Fee	
	Removal of a Fiduciary	\$100	
	Resignation of Conservator or Guardian, Petition	No Fee	
	Termination of Guardian or Conservator, Petition	No Fee	
Domestic Relations and Paternity	Affirmation of Marriage, Complaint	\$200	\$15
	Alimony, Complaint	\$100	\$15
	Annulment, Complaint	\$200	\$15
	Complaint for Custody-Support-Visitation	\$100	\$15
	Complaint for Paternity	\$100	\$15
	Complaints to establish paternity or for custody-support-visitation and modifications filed by the IV-D agency	No Fee	
	Convey land as if sole	\$150	
	Divorce, Complaint	\$200	\$15
	Enforcement of Foreign Decree – Alimony only	\$100	\$15
	Grandparent visitation, Petition	No Fee	
	Marriage of a minor	No Fee	
	Marriage without delay	\$50	\$15
	Modification of all non-child related issues	\$150	
	Modification of Foreign Custody or Support Decree, G. L. c. 208, s. 29 – except for those actions filed by the IV-D agency for which there is no filing fee	\$100	
	Modification relative to child support, custody and visitation – except for those actions filed by the IV-D agency for which there is no filing fee	\$50	
	Registration of Foreign Custody Decree	No Fee	
	Removal, Post-Judgment	No Fee	
	Separate Support	\$100	\$15
	Support of spouse or child pursuant to G. L. c. 209, § 32F, Complaint	No Fee	
	Temporary restraining order against a spouse related to a complaint for divorce or separate support	No Fee	

Equity	Complaint (No fee – if related to adoption)	\$240	\$15
	Complaint related to separate support or the custody or support of minors	\$100	\$15
	Complaint to Correct Birth Record	\$60	\$15
	Complaint to Terminate a Trust	\$50	\$15
	Injunction (No fee – if related to adoption)	\$150	
	Partition, Petition	\$255	\$15
	Specific Performance, Petition	\$75	\$15
	Temporary Restraining Order (No fee – if related to adoption)	\$100	
Probate <i>(Note: There are additional fees for the filing of a bond and for Letters or Certificates of Orders or Decrees.)</i>	Appointment of a Receiver of the Estate of an Absentee, Petition	\$150	\$15
	Appointment of a Trustee, Petition	\$150	\$15
	Care of Burial Lot	\$60	
	Counsel Fees, Petition	No Fee	
	Determination of Value, Petition	\$30	
	Erection of Monument	\$60	
	Filing a will for Safekeeping – except that no additional fee shall be charged for filing a will in substitution for a will previously filed and withdrawn	\$75	
	General Petition (Includes any petition filed that is not specifically provided for in this fee schedule.)	\$150	\$15
	Leave to Deposit Certain Funds	\$200	
	Payment of Deposits, Petition	No Fee	
	Public Administration, Petition	\$50	\$15
	Removal of a Fiduciary	\$100	
	Resignation of a Fiduciary	No Fee	
	Representation of Insolvency	\$150	
	Termination of Trust, Petition	\$50	\$15
	Voluntary Administration, Statement	\$100	\$15
Sale, Lease or Mortgage of Real or Personal Estate by any fiduciary:	Leave to Lease real estate	\$75	
	Leave to Mortgage real estate	\$75	
	Sale where the gross value accounted for is \$100,000 or less	\$100	
	Sale where the gross value accounted for is more than \$100,000 but not more than \$250,000	\$250	
	Sale where the gross value accounted for is more than \$250,000 but not more than \$500,000	\$500	
	Sale where the gross value accounted for is more than \$500,000 but not more than \$1,000,000	\$750	
	Sale where the gross value accounted for is more than \$1,000,000	\$1,000	

Miscellaneous	Amendment of record – except as relates to adoption, separate support or the custody or support of minors	\$60	
	Certificate of Orders, Decrees, Rulings, Judgments or Other Proceedings (No fee – if adoption certificate)	\$20 + \$1 per page for each page except the first	
	Citation, order of notice or precept	\$15	
	Commission to take Depositions	\$20	
	Copy, Attested – of court documents and records, including docket sheets or other papers in possession and under the control of the Register	\$2.50 per page	
	Copy Unattested – of court documents, records or other papers in possession and under the control of the Register	\$1 per page	
	Exemplified copies	\$50 + \$1 per page for each page except the first	
	General Petition – except such as relates to adoption, custody or support of minors	\$150	\$15
	Summons	\$5	
	Summons for Contempt	\$5	
	Tape Cassette or CD recordings of proceedings	\$50.50 + postage per 90 minutes of recording or part thereof	
	Transcript of a Judgment	\$50 + \$1 per page for each page except the first	