

MUSCOGEE COUNTY
STATE COURTS OF GEORGIA
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 Effective July 1, 2024

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| Civil, Modification, Garnishment ^{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8} <i>Plus, applicable service fees. ALL cases except: 1) Family violence⁹; 2) Contempt actions involving child support and/or alimony only¹⁰, 3) abandoned motor vehicle actions; and 4) Incoming transfers. See below for additional sums in condemnation and bond validation cases.</i> **Municipalities, counties, political subdivisions or agencies are exempt from \$15 POPIDF-B and \$125 Judicial Operations Fund fees. ^{7&8} State is exempt from the \$125 Judicial Operations Fund fees. ⁸ | Includes Law Library fee up to \$5.00 and ADR fees up to \$10.00, if any \$218.00 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Post-Judgment proceedings filed 30 or more days after judgment or dismissal require a new action case number but exempt for additional fees except for as provided for in OCGA 15-6-77 filing cost. ³⁹ | \$58.00 | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Appeals from Lower Courts (same as General Civil fee) | \$218.00 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Appeal for Tax Assessment (effective January 1, 2016) ³⁷ | \$25.00 | | | | | | | | | | |
| ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE Filing petition ¹⁶ Plus per Certified copy of Order Authorizing Sale of Vehicle to be provided to purchaser/DMV pursuant to OCGA 40-11-7 ¹⁷ | \$10.00 \$2.50 plus \$.50 per page after first page | | | | | | | | | | |
| Condemnation and Validation of Bond Action Per Bond ¹⁸ | <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">To be collected at conclusion of action in addition to General Civil Costs above</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">up to 500 bonds</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">\$1.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over 500 bonds</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0.50</td> </tr> </table> | To be collected at conclusion of action in addition to General Civil Costs above | | up to 500 bonds | \$1.00 | over 500 bonds | \$0.50 | | | | |
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| over 500 bonds | \$0.50 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Per page for recording | \$1.50 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Subpoena ¹⁹ | \$5.00 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Issuing Execution | \$0.00 | | | | | | | | | | |

MUSCOGEE COUNTY

| PUBLICATION COSTS – STANDARD NOTICE ²⁰ | |
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| Adoption | \$60.00 |
| Divorce and Name Change | \$90.00 |
| Trade Name | \$40.00 |

| APPEALS TO SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEAL ²¹ | |
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| Preparation of Record, per page | \$1.00 |
| 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 cases to the Attorney General in accordance with OCGA 5-6-43 ²² | No Fee |

| SHERIFF'S SERVICE FEES ²³ | |
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| Per Copy Served, General | \$50.00 |
| Action from Another County | \$50.00 |
| Per Garnishee Served (1 st 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 |

| RECORDING COSTS – DEEDS AND REAL ESTATE ^{24, 25, 26, 27} | |
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| Deeds or any instrument pertaining to real estate | \$25.00 |
| Cancellation, Satisfaction, Release or Assignment per instrument listed on filing | \$25.00 each |
| Plats, Maps and Condominium Floor Plans | \$10.00 |

| LIENS AND GENERAL EXECUTION DOCKET ^{24, 25, 26, 27} | |
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| General Execution or Lien Recordings, Materialman's Liens, Notices, Bonds, Lis Pendens, Hospital Liens, Federal Tax Liens, etc. | \$25.00 |
| Cancellation, Satisfaction, Release or Assignment per instrument listed on filing | \$25.00 each |
| Tax Liens by a State or Local Government Agency | \$5.00 |
| *Additional per page after the first page | Plus \$2 each |
| *Additional sum for each tax cancellation, satisfaction, release, notice, withdrawal or other document reference | Plus \$2 each |

| UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE ^{24, 26,38 (2 & 25 apply as deductions if recorded in real estate)} | |
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| Financing Statement (UCC-1) | \$25.00 |
| Financing Statement with Assignment (UCC-1) | \$50.00 |
| Amendment or Assignment (UCC-3) | \$25.00 |
| Continuation (UCC-3) | \$25.00 |
| Termination or Release (UCC-3) | \$25.00 |

| OTHER RECORDING | | |
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| | 1 st Page | 2 nd Page |
| Veterans Discharge ²⁸ | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Bar Admission Documents ²⁸ | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| All Other Recording ²⁹ | \$5.00 | \$5.00 |

| NOTARY PUBLIC ^{30, 31, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7} | | |
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| Issuance of New Certificate | Includes Law Library Fee up to \$5.00 & ADR fees | \$55.00 |
| Renewal | Includes Law Library Fee up to \$5.00 & ADR fees | \$55.00 |
| Certificate of Authority ²⁹ | | \$2.00 |

PARTNERSHIPS ²⁷

MUSCOGEE COUNTY

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| General, Limited and Amendments, each | \$214.00 |
| | Includes Law Library & ADR fees, if any |

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| TRADE NAME REGISTRATION ^{32, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8} | | |
| Registration | Includes Law Library Fee up to \$5.00 & ADR fees | \$55.00 |
| Plus Publication Cost to Publisher ²⁰ | | \$55.00 |

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| MISCELLANEOUS COSTS ²⁹ | | |
| 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 8 ½" 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 |
| Certified of pending action or unsatisfied judgment as provided in OCGA 40-9-40 | | \$3.00 |

Code Sections & Uniform Court Rule References

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| 1 | 15-6-77(e)(2) | Superior Civil Base Filing fee |
| 2 | 47-14-51(a) & (e) | Clerk's Retirement Fee [15-6-77(b) makes all \$2 a deduction from base 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 \$ 10.00, if applicable |
| 6 | 15-6-77.4 | Children's Trust Fund (divorce only) |
| 7 | 15-21A-6 | POPIDF-B |
| 8 | 15-21A-6.1(a) | Judicial Operations Fund Fee |
| 9 | 15-6-77(e)(4) | Family Violence & Stalking exemption of filing fee |
| 10 | 19-6-28(a) | Child Support/Alimony exemption |
| 11 | Uniform Sup Ct Rule 19.1(H) | Transfers from Superior Court |
| 12 | Uniform State Ct Rule A | State Court adopts all Superior Court Rules |
| 13 | Uniform Probate Ct Rule 16.1(F) | Transfers from Probate Court |
| 14 | Uniform Magistrate Ct Rule 36.3(A) | Transfer of base Magistrate Filing fee |
| 15 | 15-10-87 | File without further deposit but as between parties cost shall be as in other case in state or superior court |
| 16 | 40-11-5(3)(B) | Abandoned Motor Vehicle |
| 17 | 40-9-60(a) | Motor Vehicle Judgment Certificate (post judgment) |
| 18 | 15-6-77(e)(3) | Condemnation & Bond Validation |
| 19 | 15-6-77(g)(11) | Subpoena |
| 20 | 9-13-143 | Publication Fees |
| 21 | 15-6-77(g)(12) | Appeals to Supreme Court or Court of Appeals |
| 22 | 15-6-77(h) | Cost of copy of Appeal to Attorney General for capital felony cases only |
| 23 | 15-16-21(b) | Sheriff's Service Fees |
| 24 | 15-6-77(f) | Real Estate, Lien, UCC |
| 25 | 15-6-98(b) | GSCCCA fee for real estate recordings |
| 26 | 15-6-77(o) | Cross reference per instrument & cancellation per instrument fee |
| 27 | 15-6-77(g)(16) | Partnership fee – shall receive sums as in Civil Standard Filing fee |
| 28 | 15-6-77(i) | Exemptions for Costs or fees |
| 29 | 15-6-77(g) | Miscellaneous fees |
| 30 | 15-6-77(g)(9) | Notary Public base fee |
| 31 | 45-17-4 | GSCCCA for record keeping of notaries |
| 32 | 15-6-77(g)(10) | Trade Name Registration base |
| 33 | 15-10-80 | Magistrate civil cost base & fifa issuing fee |
| 34 | 47-25-60 | Magistrate retirement fee |
| 35 | 15-10-82 | Magistrate warrant & citation fee |
| 36 | Local Legislation | Local Technology Fund |
| 37 | 48-5-311(g)(2) | Tax Assessment/Board of Equalization Appeals |
| 38 | 16-9-525(b) | GSCCCA fee for UCC |
| 39 | 16-6-77(e)(2) | Post Judgment Proceedings |