

**SOMERVELL COUNTY – DISTRICT FEES – EFFECTIVE 1-1-16**

**DISTRICT CIVIL  
FAMILY LAW**

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**FILING A DIVORCE**

*PETITION ONLY Includes \$1 BVS form (HSC 194.002)		<b>\$273.00</b>
*Petition with 1 Citation (In-County Service) includes \$1-BVS form (HSC 194.002)	(\$273 filing + \$8 iss + \$75 serv)	<b>\$356.00</b>
*Petition with 1 Citation and 1 Notice (In-County Service) Includes \$1-BVS form (HSC 194.002)	(\$273 filing + \$16 iss +150 serv)	<b>\$439.00</b>
*Petition with 1 Citation, Notice & TRO (In-County Service) Includes \$1-BVS form (HSC 194.002)	(\$273 filing + \$24 iss +225 serv)	<b>\$522.00</b>

**PETITION WITH PUBLICATION (DIVORCE)**

Includes:		
*Civil Case - Divorce		\$273.00
Issuance of Citation		\$8.00
Constable Service Fee (Somervell County)		\$75.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$356.00</b>

**\*\*CIVIL CASES (family law) including**

<p><b>Emancipation of Minor</b> – A suit for emancipation is a new case that should be filed in the county where the petitioner resides. This category of cases also includes two other suits authorized by FC, Title 2 - suits to hold parents liable for the conduct of a child &amp; suits for damages for interference with one’s possessory interest in a child. These filing fees do not apply to a “minor’s application for order authorizing abortion without parental notice.” These suits are not SAPCRs.</p> <p><b>Suit Establishing Paternity</b> – A civil proceeding may be maintained to adjudicate the parentage of a child.</p> <p><b>Name Change - Child</b> – A name change for a child is a new case that should be filed in the county where the child resides and need not be filed in a court with continuing exclusive jurisdiction. If the child is subject to the CEJ of a court, the clerk must send a copy of the name change order to the Vital Statistics Unit)</p> <p><b>Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO)</b> – A petition for a qualified domestic relations order is a suit separate &amp; apart from the underlying divorce suit. The petition must be filed in the court that rendered the original divorce decree, but should be treated as an original suit. (FC Sec. 9.001.)</p> <p><b>Suit to Enforce Divorce Decree</b> – is a suit separate and apart from the underlying divorce suit. The suit must be filed in the court that rendered the divorce decree but should be treated as an original lawsuit.</p> <p><b>Suit to Establish Paternity</b></p> <p><b>Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship (SAPCR)</b> – This category of suits includes all new SAPCRs that are not adoptions or joined with suits for the dissolution of marriage (divorces, annulments, declaring a marriage void) Examples of SAPCRs: Termination of parental rights</p>	<p><b>\$257.00</b> (plus any applicable issuance or services fees)</p>
<p><b>Protective Order Application</b> – The applicant for a protective order may not be assessed any fees for filing an application. (FC § 81.002) However, filing fees are calculated here because the person against whom a protective order is issued is generally required to pay the fees for the filing of the application. (FC § 81.003) The person against whom the protective order is issued is also generally required to pay an additional \$16 fee for the issuance of the protective order. (FC § 81.003) An application for a protective order filed while a divorce is pending may be filed where the suit is pending or where the applicant resides, if in another county. An application for a protective order filed after a divorce is final may be filed in the county of the divorce or in another county with jurisdiction. If the application is filed in the county of the divorce, the application should be filed in the court that handled the divorce.</p>	<p><b>\$16.00</b> &amp; the Ct may order the Respondent to pay the filing fee of <b>\$257.00</b></p>

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**FAMILY MOTIONS:**

<p><b>SAPCR Suits:</b> Adoption of Child, Annulment or Suit to Declare Marriage Void (Involving children) Divorce (Involving Children) &amp; Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship (SAPCR) (FC § 110.002) Motion for Enforcement                  Motion to Modify                  Petition for License Suspension                  Motion to Revoke a Stay of License Suspension                  Motion for Contempt                  Motion to Transfer                  Notice of Application for Judicial Writ of Withholding</p>	<b>\$15.00</b>
<p><b>Not SAPCR Suits:</b> Divorce                  Counterclaim                  Cross-Action (Cross-Claim)                  Intervention                  Motion for New Trial                  Third-Part Petition                  Appeal from Inferior Court                  (\$15 filing GC 51.317(b)(2), \$5 Indigent fee LGC 133.152(A)(1) &amp; \$10 Preserv GC 51.317 (b)(4), \$10 Dist. Tech. Fund (GC 51.305), \$1 Security LGC 291.008(d) &amp; \$30 Electronic Filing Fee GC 51.851(b), GC 111.06118 &amp; GC 101.12126]</p> <p align="center"><b>Additional Fees for Issuance &amp; Service</b></p>	<b>\$71.00</b>

**FAMILY MOTION TO TRANSFER**

<p>May be filed in all civil suits. However, there is no specific filing fee for motions to transfer unless the motions are within SAPCRs.</p>	<b>\$15.00</b>
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**TRANSFERRED CASE from another county:**

<p><b>SAPCR Cases:</b> Adoption of Child, Annulment or Suit to Declare Marriage Void (Involving Children), Divorce (Involving Children), Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship [\$45 Clerk fee (FC 110.005)]</p>	<b>\$45.00</b>
<p><b>Not SAPCR Cases:</b> Adoption of Adult, Annulment or Suit to Declare Marriage Void (Not Involving Children), Divorce (Not Involving Children), Emancipation of Minor/Name Change/Other Family code Title 2 Suits, Foreign Judgment, Petition for Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO), Protective Order application, Suit to Enforce Divorce Decree, UIFSA Suit) <b>The fees for filing a family-law suit that is not a SAPCR from another county are the same fees that would be charged for the initial filing of the particular type of suit. For example, if a divorce suit not involving children were transferred from another county, the filing fees for the initial filing of such a suit should be assessed.</b> (Texas Rules of Civil Procedures, Rule 89)</p>	<p>-----  <b>See filing fees for particular type of suit.</b></p>

**ADMINISTRATIVE WRIT OF INCOME WITHHOLDING OR REQUEST FOR MODIFIED OR TERMINATED WRIT OF WITHHOLDING**

**\$15.00**

**\*\*\*\*\*UIFSA Suit (Uniform Interstate Family Support Act) is not reimbursable by the State**

**\$207.00**

**A/G CASES** Family Code Sec. 231.202 & Ch. 110; Gov. Code 51,317, 51.318(b)(2) 51.319(2)

**\$50.00+**  
additional processing fees

**THE CLERK MAY ALSO CHARGE A \$60 FEE for each item of process to each individual on whom service is required, including service by certified or registered mail, to be paid to appropriate server – NOTE When the clerk serves by certified mail, a \$60 service fee may be charged** Family Code Sec. 231.202 & Ch. 110 & LGC 118.131

**\$75.00**  
SERVICE

**INDEPENDENT CIVIL SUITS (NO FILING FEE)****Non-Family Law Suits:**

Motion for Judicial Review of Lien/Claim Documentation GC § 51. There is no filing fee for this type of motion. GC § 51.902(d), 51.903(f).

**Expunction Suits Filed Within 30 Days of Acquittal** – If the defendant is acquitted and files a petition to expunge within 30 days of the acquittal, no filing fees are assessed. (CCP Art. 102.006)

**Family Law Suits:**

Minor's Application for Order Authorizing Abortion Without Parental Notice – There is no fee for filing this application FC § 33.003(n)

**\$0.00****FILING CHILD ADOPTION – Civil Family**

Filing (Gov Code Sec. 51.317)	\$51.00
State (Judicial Fund Fee) [LGC 133.151(a)(1)]	\$45.00
Law Library [LGC 323.023(a)]	\$35.00
Steno Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.601)	\$15.00
Security Fee [LGC 291.008(a)]	\$5.00
Preservation Fee [LGC Ch. 203 & Gov Code Sec 51.317(b)(4)]	\$10.00
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.708, GC 101.06117 & GC 101.12124)	\$10.00
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	\$10.00
Indigent [LGC 133.152(a)(1)]	\$5.00
Judiciary Support – Civil [Gov. Code 101.62 & LGC 133.154(a)]	\$42.00
Central Adoption Registry FC 108.006(b)	\$15.00
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 111,06118 & GC 101.12126)	\$30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$272.00</b>
Issuance of Citation	\$8.00
Constable Service Fee (Somervell County)	\$75.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$355.00</b>
If we're going to get the birth certificate from Austin add \$48 (\$25 VSU filing fee & \$23 B/C fee) for their charges. If child is born out-of-state <b>DO NOT</b> collect.	48.00
	<b>\$403.00</b>

**FILING ADULT ADOPTION – Civil Family**

Filing (Gov Code Sec. 51.317)	\$51.00
State (Judicial Fund Fee) [LGC 133.151(a)(1)]	\$45.00
Law Library [LGC 323.023(a)]	\$35.00
Steno Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.601)	\$15.00
Security Fee [LGC 291.008(a)]	\$5.00
Preservation Fee [LGC Ch. 203 & Gov Code Sec 51.317(b)(4)]	\$10.00
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.708, GC 101.06117 & GC 101.12124)	\$10.00
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	\$10.00
Indigent [LGC 133.152(a)(1)]	\$5.00
Judiciary Support – Civil (Gov Code 101.62 & LGC 133.154(a)]	\$42.00
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 111,06118 & GC 101.12126)	\$30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$257.00</b>

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**DISTRICT CIVIL**  
**NON-FAMILY LAW**

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<b>***CIVIL CASES (Non-family law)</b> Same for <b>ADULT NAME CHANGE</b> Same for <b>OCCUPATIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSE</b> Same for <b>EXPUNCTION (filed within 30 days of acquittal is \$232)</b>	<b>Additional Fee for Issuance /Service</b>	<b>\$267.00</b>
<b>****NON-DISCLOSURE (non-family law)</b> (\$295+ \$60 cert.mail) plus any issuance or services fees		<b>\$355.00</b>
<b>****NON-DISCLOSURE FILED IN CRIMINAL CASE (DEFERRED ADJUDICATION-NON-VIOLENT CASES)</b> (Must be a qualifying case)		<b>\$28.00</b>

**CIVIL MOTIONS: (non-family law)**

Contempt Counterclaim Cross-Action (Cross-Claim) Intervention Motion for New Trial Third-Part Petition Appeal from Inferior Court (\$15 filing GC 51.317(b)(2), \$10 Indigent fee LGC 133.152(a)(2) & \$10 Presv. GC 51.317 (b)(4) & \$10 Dist. Tech. Fund (GC 51.305) and \$30 Electronic Filing Fee GC 51.81(b), GC 111,06118 & GC 101.12126 & \$1 Security LGC 291.008(d)) <b>Cannot charge a state agency the \$10 Dist. Tech. Fund – Charge would be \$66.</b>	<b>Additional Fee for Issuance /Service</b>	<b>\$76.00</b>
Interpleader Motion to Transfer (\$15 filing GC 51.317(b)(2), \$10 Indigent fee LGC 133.152(a)(2) & \$10 Presv. GC 51.317 (b)(4), \$30 Electronic Filing Fee GC 51.81(b), GC 111,06118 & GC 101.12126 & \$1 Security LGC 291.008(d))	<b>Additional Fee for Issuance /Service</b>	<b>\$66.00</b>

**PUBLICATION (non-family law)**

<b>***Civil Case</b>	<b>\$267.00</b>
Citation Issuance	<b>\$8.00</b>
Constable Fee (S.O. takes to Publisher)	<b>\$75.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b> plus any applicable issuance or service fees	<b>\$350.00</b>

**TAX CASES (non-family law)**

Clerk Filing Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.317)	<b>\$50.00</b>
State (Judicial Fund Fee) [LGC 133.151(a)(2)]	<b>\$50.00</b>
Security Fee [LGC Sec. 291.008(a)]	<b>\$5.00</b>
Preservation Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.317 (b)(4))	<b>\$10.00</b>
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.708, GC 101.06117 & GC 101.12124)	<b>\$10.00</b>
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	<b>\$10.00</b>
Indigent Fee [LGC 133.152(a)(2)]	<b>\$10.00</b>
Judiciary Fee [Gov. Code 101.62, & LGC 133.154(a)]	<b>\$42.00</b>
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 111,06118 & GC 101.12126)	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b> plus any applicable issuance or service fees	<b>\$217.00</b>

**FRAUDULENT LIEN SUIT – (non-family law)**

The special \$15 fee is the <b>only</b> filing fee that may be assessed in a fraudulent lien suit. See Civil Practice & Remedies Code § 12.005. Fraudulent lien suits include all suits for which a cause of action is created in Chapter 12 of the Civil Practice & Remedies code. These suits may seek the recovery of damages. They differ from "motions for judicial review of lien/claim documentation" which are independent civil suits (that do not seek damages) filed pursuant to GC § 51.	<b>\$15.00 +</b> <b>\$20</b> if delivered in person or cost of postage if the service is by registered or certified mail.
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**DISTRICT CIVIL  
STANDARD FEES – FAMILY or NON-FAMILY LAW**

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<b>CITATIONS</b> (Gov Code Sec. 51.318)	
Issuance of Citation	<b>\$8.00</b>
Constable Service Fee	<b>\$75.00</b>
<b>NOTICE OF HEARING TO SHOW CAUSE</b>	
Issuance of Citation	<b>\$8.00</b>
Constable Service Fee	<b>\$75.00</b>
<b>WRITS</b>	
Issuance of Writs	<b>\$8.00</b>
Constable Service Fee for Writs of Injunction, Habeas Corpus	<b>\$75.00</b>
Constable Service Fee for Writs of Execution, Attachment, Garnishment, Possession, Re-entry, Sequestration, Tax Warrant, Writ of Turnover Order, Writ Not Otherwise Provided For	<b>\$150.00</b>
<b>SUBPOENAS</b> (Gov Code Sec. 51.318)	
Issuance	<b>\$8.00</b>
Constable Service Fee	<b>\$75.00</b>
<b>TRO</b>	
Issuance	<b>\$8.00</b>
Constable Service Fee	<b>\$75.00</b>
<b>CERTIFIED MAIL SERVICE BY CLERK'S OFFICE</b>	
Clerk's Certified Mail Service Fee	<b>\$75.00</b>
Clerk's Certified Mail Service Fee in AGO cases	<b>\$75.00</b>
<b>SERVICE THROUGH SECRETARY OF STATE</b>	<b>\$50.00 per respondent</b>

**JURY FEE :**

*Civil (GC 51.604)	<b>\$40.00</b>
*Criminal (CCP102.004)	<b>\$40.00</b>

**WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS**

CRIMINAL - Filing Fee Prohibited (CCP, Art. 11.051)	<b>\$0.00</b>
CIVIL – No filing fee if filed in existing suit. If filed as new family civil suit \$242. If filed as new civil non-family suit, \$252.	<b>See Note + any additional processing fees</b>

<b>ABSTRACTING A JUDGMENT</b> (Gov Code Sec. 51.318) (Issued only after attorney has prepared Judgment)	<b>\$8.00</b>
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<b>COPIES</b> (not-certified) (Gov Code Sec. 51.318)	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>CERTIFICATION FEE</b> (Gov Code Sec. 51.318)	<b>\$5.00+ \$1.00 per page</b>

**SOMERVELL COUNTY – DISTRICT FEES – EFFECTIVE 1-1-16**

**OTHER FEES**

SEARCHING RECORDS OR FILES TO LOCATE A CAUSE WHEN THE DOCKET NUMBER IS NOT PROVIDED (Gov Code Sec. 51.318)	<b>\$5.00</b>
SEARCHING FILES OR RECORDS TO ASCERTAIN THE EXISTENCE OF AN INSTRUMENT OR RECORD IN THE DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE (Gov Code Sec. 51.318)	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>COURT REGISTRY ADMINISTRATIVE FEE :</b>	
<b>**NON INTEREST BEARING ACCOUNTS – 5% OF WITHDRAWAL UP TO.....</b> (LGC 117.055)	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>**INTEREST BEARING ACCOUNTS – 10% OF INTEREST EARNED</b> (LGC 117.054)	<b>Interest Only</b>
APPROVING A BOND (except for costs) (Gov Code Sec. 51.318)	<b>\$4.00</b>
CRIMINAL RECORDS SEARCH (per name)	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>FAX FEE IF WE SEND OUT TO SOMEONE, PER PAGE FEE</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>RETURNED CHECK FEE (LGC 118.0215)</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>

**JUDICIAL COURT FILINGS**

**Civil Case– Divorce, Annulment or Suit to Declare Marriage Void**

*Includes:	
Clerk Filing Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.317) (includes \$1 for ROD)	\$51.00
State (Judicial Fund Fee) [LGC 133.151(a)(1)]	\$45.00
Law Library [LGC 323.023(a)]	\$35.00
Steno Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.601)	\$15.00
Security Fee [LGC 291.008(a)]	\$5.00
Preservation Fee [LGC Ch. 203 & Gov Code Sec 51.317(b)(4)]	\$10.00
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.305, GC 101.0611(7-a), GC 51.317(b)(5))	\$10.00
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	\$10.00
Indigent [LGC 133.152(a)(1)]	\$5.00
Judiciary Support – Civil [Gov Code 101.62 & LGC 133.154(a)]	\$42.00
Child Negligence [GC 51.961(a)(d) & GC 101.061(21)]	\$15.00
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 101.06118, GC 101.12126)	\$30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$273.00</b>

**Civil Cases-Family Law (Not Divorce)**

**Includes	
Filing (Gov Code Sec. 51.317)	\$50.00
State (Judicial Fund Fee) [LGC 133.151(a)(1)]	\$45.00
Law Library [LGC 323.023(a)]	\$35.00
Steno Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.601)	\$15.00
Security Fee [LGC 291.008(a)]	\$5.00
Preservation Fee [LGC Ch. 203 & Gov Code Sec 51.317(b)(4)]	\$10.00
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.708, GC 101.06117 & GC 101.12124)	\$10.00
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	\$10.00
Indigent [LGC 133.152(a)(1)]	\$5.00
Judiciary Support – Civil (Gov Code 101.62 & LGC 133.154(a)]	\$42.00
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 101.06118, GC 101.12126)	\$30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$257.00</b>

**Civil Case – (non-family law)**

***Includes – Condemnation Proceeding (Eminent Domain Suit), Expropriation Suit, Foreign Judgment,	
Filing (Gov Code Sec. 51.317)	\$50.00
State (Judicial Fund Fee) [LGC 133.151(a)(2)]	\$50.00
Law Library [LGC 323.023(a)]	\$35.00
Steno Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.601)	\$15.00
Security Fee [LGC 291.008(a)]	\$5.00
Preservation Fee [LGC Ch. 203 & Gov Code Sec 51.317(b)(4)]	\$10.00
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.708, GC 101.06117 & GC 101.12124)	\$10.00
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	\$10.00
Indigent [LGC 133.152(a)(2)]	\$10.00
Judiciary Support – Civil (Gov Code 101.62 & LGC 133.154(a))	\$42.00
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 101.06118, GC 101.12126)	\$30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$267.00</b>

**NON-DISCLOSURE– (non-family law)**

****Includes	
Filing (Gov Code Sec. 51.317)	\$50.00
State (Judicial Fund Fee) [LGC 133.151(a)(2)]	\$50.00
Law Library [LGC 323.023(a)]	\$35.00
Steno Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.601)	\$15.00
Security Fee [LGC 291.008(a)]	\$5.00
Preservation Fee [LGC Ch. 203 & Gov Code Sec 51.317(b)(4)]	\$10.00
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.708, GC 101.06117 & GC 101.12124)	\$10.00
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	\$10.00
Indigent [LGC 133.152(a)(2)]	\$10.00
Judiciary Support – Civil (Gov Code 101.62 & LGC 133.154(a))	\$42.00
Service on DPS – Certified Mail	\$60.00
Non-Disclosure Fee [GC 411.081(d)]	\$28.00
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 101.06118, GC 101.12126)	\$30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$355.00</b>

<b>If filed in Criminal Case</b> (Deferred Adjudication, non-violent, qualifying cases only)	<b>\$28.00</b>
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**UIFSA Suit**

*****Includes	
Filing (Gov Code Sec. 51.317)	\$50.00
State (Judicial Fund Fee) (LGC 133.151)	\$45.00
Law Library (LGC 323.023)	\$35.00
Security Fee [LGC 291.008(a)]	\$5.00
Preservation Fee [LGC Ch. 203 & Gov Code Sec 51.317(b)(4)]	\$10.00
Court Digitize & Natural Disaster Preservation (GC 51.708, GC 101.06117 & GC 101.12124)	\$10.00
District Ct Records Technology (GC 51.305, GC 51.317 & GC 101.0616)	\$10.00
Indigent (LGC 133.152)	\$5.00
Judiciary Support – Civil (Gov Code 101.62 & LGC 133.154)	\$42.00
Electronic Filing Fee (GC 51.851(b), GC 101.06118, GC 101.12126)	\$30.00
Steno Fee (Gov Code Sec. 51.601)	\$15.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$257.00</b>