#### DISTRICT CLERK - CIVIL FILING FEES - EFFECTIVE 09-01-2013 COCHRAN COUNTY, TEXAS

BASE FILING FEES - <b>all new cases</b> - Filing Suit	\$ 50.00
GC 51.317 (10 4340 400)	
11 or more plaintiffs, sliding costs \$75.00 - \$200.00	
State Comptroller Fee + Indigent Legal Fees	60.00 Family = \$50.00
(\$50 consolidated fee + \$10 indigent fee	\$45 consolidated fee + \$5 indigent
defense fee)	-
LGC 133.151,152,153 (90 4363)	
Law Library Fee	
LGC 323.023 (10 4340 300)	
Judicial Support Fee	
LGC 133.154 GC 101.062 (90 4379)	
Court Reporter Service Fee	
GC 51.60(a) (29 4340 901)	
Records Management Preservation Fee	
\$5 to County R/M; \$5 to District R/M	
GC 51.317 (23 4340 399)	
Sheriff	
LGC 118.131 (10 4340 200)	
7 <sup>th</sup> District Appellate Fee	
GC 101.06115, 101.08114, 22.2081	5.00
Security Fee	
LGC 291.008 (24 4349 399) Alternative Dispute Resolution	40.00
CPRC 152.004 (19 4340 400)	10.00
Court Records Technology Fee	
(preservation by digitizing - dedicated fund) Gov. Code 51.708 (HB 3637)	
Records Archive Fee	5.00
(preservation & restoration - dedicated fund)	
Gov. Code 51.305 (SB 1685)	
State Electronic Fee Fund	20.00
Gov. Code 51.851(b)	20.00

#### TOTAL BASE FEE>>Civil = \$272.00 >> Family = \$242.00>> Divorce = \$278 >>

AT THE TIME OF FILING OF ORIGINAL PETITION, PETITIONER OR PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY IS REQUIRED TO FURNISH ORIGINAL PETITION AND ONE COPY FOR EACH DEFENDANT AND ONE COPY FOR THE JUDGE. IF AT ANY TIME A PARTY OR PARTY'S ATTORNEY WISHES A FILE MARKED COPY OF A DOCUMENT, THEY WILL BE REQUIRED TO FURNISH THEIR OWN COPY FOR FILE MARKING. IF FILING IS BY MAIL, DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE RETURNED UNLESS A SELF ADDRESSED, <u>STAMPED</u> ENVELOPE IS PROVIDED. <u>CERTIFIED COPIES WILL BE MADE ONLY FROM ORIGINAL DOCUMENT ON FILE WITH</u> <u>CLERK.</u> ALL OUT OF COUNTY SERVICE WILL BE RETURNED TO REQUESTOR.

**ISSUANCE AND SERVICE FEES:** Issuance of Citation, TRO, Notice, Precept, Abstract of Judgment, Subpoena, Writs, etc. (each) **see below** ... GC 51.317, 318.....\$ 8.00

Service in Cochran County or Certified Mail (add \$10.00 for certified mail) \$60.00
Service of Execution, Writ of Sequestration, Order of Sale under Rule 309\$150.00
Service by Sec. Of State or Comm. of Insurance GC 405.03 & 405.031 \$ 55.00
Certified Mail \$ 10.00
Each Service (1 original + 2 copies w/petition attached ) plus \$60 service fee of Travis County
<b>OR</b> \$75 if served by Cert. Mail, Return Receipt Requested by the clerk CPRC 17.026
Plus \$10 if party wants a certificate of service from Secretary of State
IF A JURY IS REQUESTED, THE JURY FEE IS \$30. (GC52.604)

# **CIVIL WITH ONE CITATION**

Civil Basic Costs	\$272.00
Citation (each)GC 51.318(b)	
Service in Cochran County	

	\$340.00
If by certified mail, add	

#### **DIVORCE WITH WAIVER OF CITATION - BASIC COSTS**

Family Base Fee	\$278.00
Report of Divorce GC 108.002HSC 194.002	1.00
Family Protection Fee	. \$ 15.00
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#### Divorce base fee

#### \$294.00

# **DIVORCE WITH ONE CITATION**

Divorce Base Fee	\$278.00
Citation (each)	
Service (in county)	

\$	346.00
If service is by certified mail, add	10.00

DIVORCE

<u>WITH</u>

# CITATION AND TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Divorce With Citation	\$346.00
Issuing TRO or Notice GC 51.318 (b)	
Service (in county)	<u>60.00</u>

	\$414.00
If service is by certified mail, add	

#### PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP

Base Fee Report to BVS (Can't collect state electronic fee on SAPCR)	-
Amendment to Birth Certificate (if we send for B/C) C/C of new Birth Certificate	

THE PETITIONER OR PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE APPLICABLE FORMS AND SUBMIT THEM TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT AT THE TIME THE FINAL ORDER IS ENTERED --- VS-165 FOR DIVORCE, DIVORCE WITH CHILDREN (IF MORE THAN 4 CHILDREN, ADD SUPPLEMENTAL FORM), AND PATERNITY. USE VS-160 FOR ADOPTIONS. THE CLERK IS REQUIRED TO TRANSMIT THE FORMS TO THE BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS BY THE 10TH DAY OF EACH MONTH. SEE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS HANDBOOK OR CONTACT THE AGENCY AT 512-458-7368.

#### CASES TRANSFERRED TO/FROM COCHRAN COUNTY

Family - transfer IN	\$50.00
Family - transfer OUT	per page\$ 1.00
Civil - transfer IN	

#### **ADOPTION**

Base Fee	\$242.00
C. A. R. Fund (per petition)FC 108.006HSC 192.009	
Certificate of Adoption	

#### \$258.00

Citation	
<b>\$326.00</b> Amendment to Birth Certificate (if we send for B/C) C/C of new Birth Certificate	

#### PROTECTIVE ORDER - FAMILY

# APPLICANT FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER <u>MAY NOT</u> BE ASSESSED THIS COST, BUT THE COURT MAY REQUIRE THE RESPONDENT TO PAY <u>ALL</u> COSTS OF COURT AND OTHER EXPENSES.

Base FeeFC 81.003	\$242.00
Application FeeFC 71.041(b)	<u>16.00</u>

#### \$258.00

#### TAX SUITS

Base Fee	\$207.00
NOTE: The statutes specifically prohibit the collection of the following fees in delinquent tax suits 51.601(e); Law Library Fund LGC 323.023; Alternative Dispute Resolution System LGC 152.004; A 7 <sup>th</sup> District Appellate Fee	•
Citation(each)	
Service(each)	
If service is by certified mail, add	\$275.00

#### **NON-DISCLOSURE**

Base Fee	72.00
PetitionGC 411.081(d)	

#### \$300.00

#### **EXPUNCTION FEE**

Basic Filing Fee in case (same as civil) CCP 102.006	\$272.00
Certified mail notice of hearing CCP 102.006(2)for each agency notified	
Certified mail of order CCP 102.006(3)for each final order mailed	

#### ESSENTIAL NEED LICENSE

Base FeeTrans. Code 521.242(e)\$272.00	)
Certified Copy of Judgment	
10.00	

#### CONDEMNATION

Filed by State(Does not include State Fee or ADR) Property Code 21.013	\$212.00
Base fee for all others (Does not include ADR fee)	\$262.00

#### FOREIGN JUDGMENT

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Base Fee\$	\$242.00
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#### SEVERED ACTION

#### **FORFEITURE CASES**

#### PETITION TO ENJOIN FRAUDULENT FILING

Base Fee (CPRC 12.005)	\$ 15.00
Service Fee in person CPRC 12.005(b)(1)	
Or Certified Mail (CPRC 12.005(b)(2).	

#### ADDITIONAL CIVIL/FAMILY LAW FEES

\*Note- (ISF)-Indigent Service Fee- In accordance with Government Code 51.941 a \$10 Civil or \$5 Indigent Service fee shall be charged upon filing a petition or proceeding requiring a filing fee. Up tp 5% County General Fund and 95% State Comptroller Fund.

\*Note- (RMP)- Records Management and Preservation- In accordance with Local Government Code 118.0546, Records Management and Preservation fee of \$10 is collected with any civil/family case or ancillary pleading,

\$5 to District, \$5 to County.

\*Note- (CHS)- LGC 291.008 (d)- A fee of \$1 for filing any document not subject to the security fee. All Pleadings indicated below should include these additional fees.

ADDITIONAL FEES						
Filing Fee   Indigent Legal Services   I	Records Preservation					
Electronic Filing Fee						
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OUT OF COUNTY SHERIFF'S FEES SHALL BE PAID DIRECTLY TO THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY WHERE SERVICE IS REQUESTED.

THE DISTRICT CLERK MAY NOT CHARGE THE U.S. IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE A FEE FOR A COPY OF ANY DOCUMENT ON FILE OR OF RECORD IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE RELATING TO AN INDIVIDUAL'S CRIMINAL HISTORY, REGARDLESS WHETHER THE DOCUMENT IS CERTIFIED. GC 51.318 (e).

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# AUTHORITY FOR CIVIL FEES

#### TYPE OF FEE

#### AMOUNT

**AUTHORITY** CIVIL GC 51.317(b) 521.242(e) Including Petition for Eminent Domain (condemnation) 21.013 Including Petition for Expunction CCP 102.006 No fee assessed on a petition filed within 30 days of acquittal 102.006(2)+\$2 + postage for ea. Cert. Mailing of cert. Order CCP 102.006(3) Petition for non-disclosure . (in addition to regular civil fees) . . . . . \$ 28.00 GC.411.081(d) Filing ANY Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus \$ -0-CCP 11.051 (9-1-99) CCP 59.05 (9-1-99) Only on seizure of over \$2500 & NO fee on task Force cases CCP 59.06(A)(2) & CPRC 12.005 **Additional filing Fees** State Consolidated Fund \$ 60.00 LGC 133.151 & 152 LGC 323.023 (9-1-99) Sheriff-Bailiff Fee . .(May not be charged on Protective Orders)(set by com. Crt.) \$ 15.00 LGC 118.131 GC 51.317

Court Records Preservation Fee. . HB 3637.....\$ 10.00 GC 51.708 District Court Technology Fee. . SB 1685 (if passed by Comm Ct.) \$ 5.00 GC 51.305(b) Not to be assessed on actions filed by the state- tax, AG LGC 291.008

Court Reporter Service Fee	15.00	GC
51.601(a) Alternative Dispute Resolution	CPR	C
152.004      Indigent Legal Services Fund      122.152	10.00	LGC.
133.152 Issuance of citation, writ, precept, subpoena, abstract of jdg \$ 8.00 Civil Mation for New trial conternat, cross action, counterplain	GC 51.3	317, 318
Civil Motion for New trial, contempt, cross-action, counterclaim, Intervention & 3 <sup>rd</sup> party Petition	15.00	GC
51.317 Jury Fee – District Clerk	30.00	GC
Fourth Court of Appeals	5.00	GC
22.2051 Judicial Support Fee	42.00	LGC.
State Electronic Fee	. \$20.00	)
Other fees Certified copy, per page	1.00	
GC 51.318 Non-Certified copy, first page		GC
51.318 Each additional page	.25	
Certified Mail Service	60.00	GC
Witness Fee – Subpoena (not custodian of records)\$ 10.00Approving a bond.51.318		2.001 GC
Court Registry - Administrative expense On funds not earning interest		7.055 LGC
117.054 Record Search	5.00	
<b>FAMILY</b> ONLY Filing any suit including Habeas Corpus (FC.157.371[h]).	\$ 50.00	GC
51.317	45.00	FC
110.005         State consolidated fee		0 LGC
133.151 & 152 Family Protection Fee DIVORCE ONLY		C 51.961
Petition for license suspension	\$ 15.0	
Motion to Revoke Stay of Lic. suspension	\$ 15.00	FC
To mail Order suspending license – collect from obligor only \$ 5.00 Motions for: Contempt, Modify, enforcement, transfer	FC 232. \$ 15.00	013(b) FC
Subsequent Judicial Writ of Withholding – served by party \$ 15.00Notice of Application for Judicial Writ of Withholding \$ 15.00	FC 158. FC 110.	

Administrative Writ of Withholding	\$	15.00	FC
Request to Modify or Terminate withholding			158.403 110.004
Protective Order (to be assessed against respondent only) \$ 222.0 Plus \$16.00 application fee	00	FC	81.003
Certificate of name change in divorce	\$	10.00	FC
Certified Report of Divorce	\$	1.00	H&SC
Certified Report of Adoption		\$	1.00
51.319			
Adoption – CAR fund	\$	15.00	FC
Issuance of Capias	\$	8.00	FC
Indigent Legal Services Fund			\$ 5.00
Filing a Waiver (to cover cost of the copy of decree)	\$	10.00	

#### MINUTES OF THE COURT ORDERS TO BE RECORDED AND FILMED IN CIVIL COURT MINUTES:

All Judgments and Decrees

Nunc Pro Tunc Orders and Decrees

Order of Dismissal and Non-Suit

Notice of Dismissal (pursuant to Rule 162 T.R.C.P. - by Plaintiff)

Order Granting New Trial

Order Vacating Judgment

Order of Consolidation

Severance Order

Order Transferring Venue

Charging Orders - Charge of the Court, etc. Order Modifying Decree Turnover Order Any and all other orders that finally dispose of a case or portion of a case Foreign Judgment Assignment of Judgment **ORDERS TO BE RECORDED AND FILMED IN CRIMINAL MINUTES** All Judgments and Sentences Order Revoking Probation All Dismissals

Order Changing Venue

# **GOOD TO KNOW STUFF**

 JUDGMENT NISI: A district or county attorney may, upon application in writing to the clerk request that a surety who is a nonresident, or transient or whereabouts unknown be served with a citation by publication and returned as in a civil action.
 CCP. 22.06

2. Writ of **Quo Warranto** is an ancient common law writ, to inquire by what authority one has asserted a right thereto.. Commonly used in civil proceedings where corporate holdings are in dispute.

**3.** Writ of **Prohibition**, is an extraordinary writ issued by a superior court to prohibit an inferior court from exceeding its jurisdiction.

**4.** A writ of **Mandamus**, is a extraordinary writ issued from a court to an official compelling performance of a ministerial act that the law recognizes as an absolute duty and may only be used when all other judicial remedies have failed....

5. A writ of Procedendo, Is issued by a superior court when a cause has been improperly removed to it as by certiorari, commanding the inferior court to assume jurisdiction and proceed to judgment on the cause. More frequently referred to as a "remand". Writ power granted under Gov.Code 22.002 and CCP. 4.04

6. A district clerk can serve as a notary. Govt Code. 602.002

**7. Grand Jurors' names are public information**, personal information about them is not (address, age, etc) CCP 19.42.

8. JUDICIAL (COURT) RECORDS are NOT subject to the Public Information Act formerly known as the Open Records Act. Govt. Code 552.003(1)(B).

# 9. Govt. Code § 552.028. Request for Information From Incarcerated Individual

(a) A governmental body is not required to accept or comply with a request for information from:

(1) an individual who is imprisoned or confined in a correctional facility; or

(2) an agent of that individual, other than that individual's attorney when the attorney is requesting information that is subject to disclosure under this chapter.(b) This section does not prohibit a governmental body from disclosing to an individual described by Subsection (a)(1), or that individual's agent, information held by the governmental body pertaining to that individual.

(c) In this section, "correctional facility" means a place designated by the law of this state, another state, or the federal government for the confinement of a person arrested for, charged with, or convicted of a criminal offense.

**10. SERVICE ON THE SECRETARY OF STATE** is necessary when service is required on a non-resident business doing business in Texas. The SOS serves the non-resident agent, and;

Requires the original citation + 2 copies of the citation with petitions attached. Also requires a certificate of name and address of the non-resident to be served. (The form is in the forms section). and;

Can be served by the clerk by certified mail, RRR to the Secretary of State for service, or as any other citation by sending the citation to the Travis Co. SO for service. Or, returned to the requesting party to be served by certified mail or sent to Travis SO.

FEES: Service by Travis Co. = \$60.00

Certified Mail by the Clerk = the fee set by com. Court in your county & a separate check for \$55.00 payable to the Secretary of State, plus \$10 for a certificate of service.

AUTHORITIES: Civ Practice & Rem. Code 17.026, 044 & 045,

Government Code 405.03 and 031

11. **SERVICE ON THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE** is necessary when an insurance company, foreign or domestic, licensed by the state board of insurance needs to be served with a citation or notice.

Citation may be served by certified mail, a sheriff, processor or any uninterested party over the age of 18.

Commissioner of Insurance, 1110 San Jacinto, Austin, Texas 78701-1988.

Attach a check for \$50 payable to the Commissioner of Insurance for each citation. AUTHORITY: Insurance Code 1.36 Sec. 3(a) & (b) **12. CITATION BY POSTING AT THE COURTHOUSE DOOR**, may only be issued in [1] Family Law Cases where no P/C relationship exists FC 6.409, [2] Termination and CPS cases where the last name of respondent is unknown and it is Ordered by the Court. FC 102.010(e), [3] Seizures CCP 59.04 and [4] Tax cases, Prop code. \_\_\_\_\_.

**13. PRETRIAL INTERVENTION PROGRAM (**p/t diversion) was moved from the Code of Criminal Procedure to <u>Government Code 76.011.</u>