

Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court Local Rules

7.0 SECURITY FOR COSTS

(A) No civil action or proceeding shall be accepted by the clerk for filing unless the party or parties filing the action shall have first deposited a sum to secure the payment of the costs except as otherwise provided by law. Advance deposits shall be in accord with the following schedule:

Civil Complaint	\$250.00 *
Civil Complaint - Foreclosure	\$475.00 *
Administrative Appeal	\$250.00
Cognovits	\$175.00
Foreign Judgment	\$125.00
Replevin	\$250.00
Third Party/Intervening Complaint	\$75.00
Counter Claim/ Cross Claim/ Amend Complaint	\$75.00
Service by Publication (Civil Action / Foreclosure)	\$150.00 / \$250.00
Jury Trial	\$0
Order of Sale	\$600.00
Certificate of Judgment - Common Pleas	\$25.00
Certificate of Judgment - Foreign Court	\$20.00
Certificate for Transfer	\$15.00
Release of Lien	\$5.00
Exemplified Copy	\$1.00
Certified Copy	\$1.00
Motion to Modify, Revive, Vacate	\$30.00
Order in Aid	\$40.00
Garnishment - Other Than	\$80.00 **
Garnishment - Personal Earnings	\$85.00
Writ of Execution	\$3.00
Writ of Possession	\$0

** Special Project Fees included*

***Fee for one bank, \$10 each additional bank*

Convenience Fees for Credit Card, Debit Card and Electronic Check Usage

The following credit cards will be accepted by the Clerk of Courts: American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa. The Clerk of Courts is authorized to collect convenience fees as outlined below. All convenience fees are to be paid to Point & Pay, the financial transaction provider for the Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts. See Ord. O2014-0025 of the Cuyahoga County Council.

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Credit Card Transaction Amount	Convenience Fee
\$0.01 - \$50.00	\$2.00
\$50.01 - \$100.00	\$2.95
\$100.01 - \$200.00	\$4.95
\$200.01 - \$300.00	\$6.95
\$300.01 - \$400.00	\$8.95
\$400.01 - \$500.00	\$10.95
\$500.01 - \$600.00	\$12.95
\$600.01 - \$700.00	\$14.95
\$700.01 - \$800.00	\$16.95
\$800.01 - \$900.00	\$18.95
\$900.01 - \$1000.00	\$20.95
\$1000.01 - \$1100.00	\$22.95
\$1000.01 - \$1100.00	\$22.95
\$1100.01 - \$1200.00	\$24.95
\$1200.01 - \$1300.00	\$26.95
\$1300.01 - \$1400.00	\$28.95
\$1400.01 - \$1500.00	\$30.95
\$1500.01 - \$1600.00	\$32.95
\$1600.01 - \$1700.00	\$34.95
\$1700.01 - \$1800.00	\$36.95
\$1800.01 - \$1900.00	\$38.95
\$1900.01 - \$2000.00	\$40.95
\$2000.01 and up	\$42.95 + \$2.00 for each increase of \$100.00 in payment amount
Electronic Checks Transaction Amount	Convenience Fee
Under \$5,000.00	\$2.95
Over \$5,000.00 for each	\$5.90

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- (B) On cases transferred to the Common Pleas Court in which the prayer of the cross-complaint exceeds the monetary jurisdiction of the municipal Court, the cross-complainant shall post security for costs in a sum equal to the amount required as if the case was originally filed in this Court.
- (C) In newly files where the number of defendants exceeds ten, the Clerk of Courts shall require the standard deposit and a deposit of five dollars for each additional defendant. In cases with multiple parties where there are supplemental pleadings filed, the Clerk of Courts may require the party requesting service to advance an amount estimated by the Clerk.
- (D) A poverty affidavit filed in lieu of a cash deposit must state the reasons for the inability to prepay costs and is subject to Court review at any stage of the proceedings.

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