

Hill County District Clerk Civil Fees & Court Costs

Effective 01/01/2026

ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

New/Transferred-In Civil & Family Base Filing Fees

Case types include but not limited to Condemnation, Delinquent Tax, Foreign Judgment, Fraudulent Lien, Expunctions (Non-Acquittal), Non-Disclosure, Judgment NISI, Adoption, Application for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Family), Divorce, Name Change, Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO), Protective Order, Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship (SAPCR), Case to Enforce Divorce Decree, IV-D, UIFSA, Transfers, and all other original actions.

Fee Description	Amount	Authority
All New Civil/Family Suits	\$350.00	LGC §§ 133.151 and 135.101
New/Transferred-In Civil & Family Suit	\$350.00	LGC §§ 133.151 and 135.101; TRCP Rule 89
SAPCR Transferred into Hill County	\$80.00	LGC §§ 110.005
Petition for Protective Order	\$350.00	FC § 81.003; All Fees Paid By Respondent
Suit for Writ of Habeas Corpus - Child	\$350.00	FC § 157.371; LGC §§ 131.151 and 135.101
Certified Mailing of Notice/Order of Expunction	\$25/Agency	CCP Art. 55A.351

Subsequent Base Filing Fees for Actions within Existing Civil or Family Case

Fee Description	Amount	Authority
Subsequent Actions - Counter-Claim, Cross Action, Intervention, Contempt Action, Interpleader, Motion for New Trial, Motion to Reinstate, Third-Party Action, or Appeal (from a lower court)	\$80.00	LGC §§ 131.151 & 135.101
Family Motions - Actions in Motions - A Suit or Motion for Modification, Motion for Enforcement, Notice of Application for Judicial Writ of Withholding, Petition for License Suspension, Motion to Revoke a Stay of License Suspension, or Motion for Contempt	\$80.00	FC §§ 110.002, 110.005, 81.003, 157.371(b)

Other Filing Fees

Fee Description	Amount	Authority
Writ of Habeas Corpus – Pre-Indictment/Criminal-Related	\$0	CCP 11.051
Motion For Judicial Review of Lien/Claim Documentation, Petition for Expunction in Acquittal Case, Judicial Bypass	\$0	GC § 51.902(d), GC 51.903(f), CCP 102.006(b), FC 33.003

Issuance and Other Miscellaneous Fees

Fee Description	Amount	Authority
Issuing Subpoena (including one copy)	\$8.00 Each	GC § 51.318(b)(1)
Issuing Citation, Commission for Deposition, Writ of Execution, Order of Sale, Writ of Execution and Order of Sale, Writ of Injunction, Writ of Garnishment, Writ of Attachment, Writ of Sequestration, or any other writ or processed not otherwise provided for [Writ of Capias, Temporary Restraining Order (TRO), Bench Warrant, Notice, Show Cause] (plus one copy if required by law)	\$8.00 Each	GC § 51.318(b)
Issuing Abstract of Judgment	\$8.00 Each	GC § 51.318(b)(4)
Issuing and Delivering Notice of Order/Writ of Withholding to Employer	\$15.00 Each	FC §§ 110.004

Issuance and Other Miscellaneous Fees (Continued)

Fee Description	Amount	Authority
Issuing Notice(s) for Expunction Cases – Notice of Petition and Hearing /Notice of Order	\$10.00 Each	CCP 102.006(2), CCP 102.006(3), GC § 51.319(3)
Search Fee – any file or record to locate a cause number or to ascertain the existence of an instrument or record	\$5.00 Per Search	GC 51.318(b)(3)
Preparation of Clerk's Record on Appeal	\$1.00 Per Page	GC 51.318(b)(5)
Certificate of No Appeal (SR-42; SR-88); \$5 Each to Search & Certify. Plus, applicable copy charges for attached Judgment	\$10.00 Each	GC § 51.318(b)(3) and (7)
Name Change Certificate	\$10.00 Each	GC § 51.318(b)(3)(7)
Prepare Clerk's Record on Appeal	\$1.00 Per Page	GC § 51.318(b)(5)
Filing/Approving a Bond	\$5.00	GC § 51.318, 51.319
Prepare Clerk's Record on Transfer Out	\$0.10 Per Page	GC § 51.318(b)(9) Plus \$5 for Index & Certificate
Certified Paper Copy of a record, judgment, order, pleading, on paper on file or record – printed on paper Certificate and Seal \$5.00 For Each page or part of page \$1.00	\$5.00 Plus \$1.00 Per Page	GC § 51.318(b)(7)
Noncertified Paper Copy of a record, judgment, order, pleading, on paper on file or record – printed on paper	\$1.00 Per Page	GC § 51.318(b)(8)(A)
Noncertified Copy of a converted paper document (record, judgment, order, pleading on paper on file or record) converted to electronic format, for each page or part of a page	\$1.00 Per Page	GC § 51.318(b)(8)(B)
Noncertified Electronic Copy of an electronic document (record, judgment, order, pleading or any other record) – *FOR EACH DOCUMENT UP TO TEN (10) PAGES IN LENGTH	\$1.00*	GC § 51.318(b)(8)(C)
Noncertified Electronic Copy of an electronic document (record, judgment, order, pleading or any other record) – FOR EACH PAGE OR PART OF A PAGE OVER 10 PAGES	\$0.10 Per Page	GC § 51.318(b)(8)(C)

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Service Fees (District Clerk Service Only)		
Fee Description	Amount	Authority
Service of Citation by Certified Mail	\$100.00	GC § 51.319(2)
Service of Notice by Certified Mail	\$100.00	GC § 51.319(2)
Service of Notice by First Class Mail	\$3.00	GC § 51.319(3)
Service of Application for PO – OCA Registration of Filing	\$30.00	GC § 51.319(3)
Service thru Secretary of State (Per Person/Party Served)	\$55.00	Texas Secretary of State

Additional, External Fees in Suits for Adoption		
Fee Description	Amount	Authority
Birth Certificate (Each Child) - Payable to: <u>Vital Statistics - TX DSHS</u>	\$47.00	TX DSHS
Central Adoption Registry - Payable to: <u>Vital Statistics - TX DSHS</u>	\$15.00	TX DSHS
Home Study (Required)	Varies	Amount Charged by and payable to: Court Appointed Home Investigator

Hill County Sheriff & Constable Fees**		
Fee Description	Amount	Authority
Citation	\$100.00	County Commissioners Court
Writ (Attachment, Execution, Garnishment, Sequestration, Possession, All Other Writs)	\$200.00	County Commissioners Court
Order of Sale	\$200.00	County Commissioners Court
Notice by Publication	\$100.00	County Commissioners Court

** See Hill County Sheriff & Constable Service Fees Effective 01/01/2026 for complete listing of fees.

CCP= Code of Criminal Procedure

GC = Texas Government Code

LGC = Local Government Code

FC = Texas Family Code