

# Probate Fees for Bell County

Effective 01/01/2010

## PROBATE COURT ACTIONS (New Cases Filed)

(Independent Executor, Muniment of Title, Letters of Administration, Application to Declare Heirship, Application for Guardianships)

County Clerk Fee		\$	40.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(A)(i)
Sheriff's Posting Fee	CC	\$	60.00	LGC Sec. 118.131(CC)
Law Library Fee	CC	\$	20.00	LGC Sec. 323.023(CC)
County Judge Fee		\$	2.00	LGC Sec. 118.101
Indigent Defense Fee		\$	10.00	LGC 133.153 (Goes to State)
Records Management Fee	CC	\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.0645 & 118.052(3)(G)
Court Security Fee		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 291.008
Legal Education Fee		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2A)(vi)/118.064
State Judicial Fee (HB 66)		\$	40.00	GC Sec. 51.703(Goes to State)
Appellate Fee		\$	5.00	GC Sec. 22.2041
Support of Judiciary		\$	42.00	LGC Sec. 133.154
Court Reporter Fee		\$	15.00	GC 51.601
SupGua (Court appt'd attorneys)		\$	20.00	LGC 118.067
Preservation Fee		\$	10.00	GC 51.708
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>279.00</b>	

## CITATIONS

Citation Issued, Show Cause, Subpoena		\$	4.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(3)(A) & 118.059
Issuance of Citation & Service by Certified Mail		\$	64.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(3f) & 118.063
Personal Service by Sheriff	CC	\$	60.00	LGC Sec. 118.131

## SMALL ESTATE AFFIDAVIT

County Clerk Fee		\$	40.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(A)(iii)
County Judge Fee		\$	2.00	LGC Sec. 118.101
Law Library Fee		\$	20.00	LGC Sec. 323.023
Indigent Defense Fee		\$	10.00	LGC 133.153 (Goes to State)

Record Management Fee	CC	\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.0645 & 118.052(3)(G)
Courthouse Security Fee		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 291.008
Legal Education Fee		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2A)(vi) & 118.064
State Judicial Fee (HB 66)		\$	40.00	GC Sec. 51.703 (Goes to State)
Appellate Fee		\$	5.00	GC Sec. 22.2041
Support of Judiciary		\$	42.00	LGC Sec. 133.154
Court Reporter Fee		\$	15.00	GC Sec. 51.601
SupGua (Court appt'd attorneys)		\$	20.00	LGC 118.067
Preservation Fee		\$	10.00	GC 51.708
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>219.00</b>	

**MOTION TO OPEN SAFE DEPOSIT BOX (New Probate)**

Clerk Fee		\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052
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**MOTION TO PRODUCE WILL IN COURT (New Probate)**

Clerk Fee		\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052
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**FOREIGN WILL**

County Clerk Fee		\$	40.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(A)(i)
Law Library Fee	CC	\$	20.00	LGC Sec. 323.023
County Judge Fee		\$	2.00	LGC Sec. 118.101
Indigent Defense Fee		\$	10.00	LGC 133.153 (Goes to State)
Records Management Fee	CC	\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.0645 & 118.052(3)(G)
Court Security Fee		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 291.008
Legal Education Fee		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2a)(vi) & 118.064
State Judicial Fee (HB66)		\$	40.00	GC Sec. 51.703(Goes to State)
Appellate Fee		\$	5.00	GC Sec. 22.2041
Support of Judiciary		\$	42.00	LGC Sec. 133.154
Court Reporter Fee		\$	15.00	GC 51.601(a)
SupGua (Court appt'd attorneys)		\$	20.00	LGC 118.067
Preservation Fee		\$	10.00	GC 51.708
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>219.00</b>	

**DEPOSIT MINOR'S FUNDS (New Probate)**

County Clerk Fee		\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052
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**OTHER PROBATE FEES**

Approving and Recording Bond		\$	3.00	LGC Sec. 118.011
Criminal History Check		\$	10.00	GC 411.1386(h)
Adverse Probate Action (Contest)		\$	40.00	LGC Sec. 118.052
Inventory, Appraisalment and List of Claims (90 days from Qualification)		\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(B)(i)
Annual Account		\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(B)(iv)
Annual Report on Ward		\$	10.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(B)(vi)
Final Account or Settlement	*	\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(B)(iv)
Appl for Sale of Real or Personal Property	*	\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(B)(v)
Add'l Fee for Documents over 25 pages (after I & A approved or 90 days from Qualification)		\$	25.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(B)(vii)

\*Notices required for Final Accts and Application for Sale of Real or Personal Property

\*Notice required for Application for Distribution of Estate

Notice Clerk Fee		\$	4.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(3)(A) & 118.059
Sheriff Posting Fee	CC	\$	60.00	LGC Sec. 118.131

Fees noted are all encompassing for the captioned filing type. Other miscellaneous fees, **as required or allowed by statute**, may be due for actions that occur after 120 days of the original filing or atypical actions not listed above.

Judge's Signature (120 days after the initial filing)		\$	2.00	LGC Sec. 118.101
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**CLAIMS AGAINST ESTATE**

County Clerk Fee		\$	2.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(D)
Record Management Fee	CC	\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.0645 & 118.052(3)(G)
Courthouse Security		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 291.008
County Judge		\$	2.00	LGC Sec. 118.101

<b>Total Fee</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>14.00</b>
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**LETTERS TESTAMENTARY, LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP, LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION**

County Clerk Fee	\$	2.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(3d)
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**SAFEKEEPING OF WILLS**

County Clerk Fee	\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(3e)
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**TRUST FUNDS**

Deposits for Trust Funds placed in a fund that did not draw interest (to compensate the county for the accounting and administrative expenses incurred in handling the trust funds a fee may be charged)		Up to \$50.00	LGC Sec. 117.055(a)
If the Trust Fund earns interest (which all of my funds do) the County may charge 10% of the earned interest to compensate the county for the accounting and administrative expenses of maintaining the account.			LGC Sec. 117.054(b)

**MENTAL ILLNESS**

County Clerk Fees		\$	40.00	LGC Sec. 118.052(2)(A)(v)
Sheriff's Fee	CC	\$	50.00	Health & Safety Code Sec. 571.018
State Judge's Fee		\$	40.00	GC Sec. 51.702
Attorney Ad Litem	*	\$	50.00	Health & Safety Code Sec. 571.018
Judge's Fee		\$	5.00	Health & Safety Code Sec. 571.018
County's Attorney Fee		\$	25.00	Health & Safety Code Sec. 571.018
Indigent Attorney Fee		\$	10.00	LGC 133.153 (Goes to State)
Courthouse Security Fee		\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 291.008
Law Library Fee		\$	20.00	LGC Sec. 323.023(CC)
Court Reporter Fee		\$	15.00	GC 51.601(a)
Support of Judiciary		\$	42.00	LGC Sec. 133.154

CC Record Management	\$	5.00	LGC Sec. 118.0645
SupGua (Court appt'd attorneys)	\$	20.00	LGC 118.067
Preservation Fee	\$	10.00	GC 51.708
<b>Total Fee</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>337.00</b>	

\* Subject to Change

CC = Commissioner's Court

**SEARCH FEES**

To search files or records to locate a cause or name.

\$ 5.00/per LGC Sec. 118.011

**COPIES per page**

\$ 1.00 LGC Sec. 118.052(3) & LGC 118.0605

**CERTIFICATION**

\$ 1.00 LGC Sec. 118.011(3) & 118.014

**CERTIFICATION-Exemplified**

\$ 5.00 LGC Sec. 118.052(3) & LGC 118.0605