

ST. LOUIS COUNTY PROBATE COURT FILING FEES

As of March 1, 2022, publication fees are no longer collected by the Court and must be paid directly to the publisher.

As of January 1, 2026, service fees for the St. Louis County Sheriff will no longer be collected by the Court and must be paid directly to the Sheriff's office.

COST DEPOSITS: The following table sets forth the required cost deposit which must accompany the initial application/petition. Any filing which does not have a cost deposit as required may be rejected for filing.

I. Decedent's Estates: Where letters testamentary or administration are applied for:

Testate	Intestate
\$190.50	\$155.50
* If the will was previously admitted, then the filing fee due is \$155.50.	

II. Guardianships and Conservatorships:

A. Minor – Guardianship and/or Conservatorship (Does not include fee for service. See St. Louis County Sheriff for fee schedule.) Note: Although a separate case must be filed for each minor, you may submit a single filing fee to cover the cost of all sibling cases filed in the same day. Please include a note to clerk indicating the names of the sibling cases.	\$100.50
B. Minor – Petition for Successor Letters of Guardianship	\$60.00
C. Petition for Appointment of Successor Custodian for Minor	\$85.50
D. Adult – Petition for Appointment of Guardian and/or Conservator of Adult (Does not include fee for service. See St. Louis County Sheriff for fee schedule.)	\$115.50
E. Petition for Successor letters Guardian and/or Conservator of Adult	\$75.00
F. Petition to Dispense with Administration Sec. 475.320	\$35.00
G. Petition for Sale of Real Estate by Non-Resident Conservator	\$75.50

III. Trust Matters:

A. Trust Registrations	\$85.50
B. Trust Filings and Adversarial Trust Matters (MUTC) (Does not include fee for service. See St. Louis County Sheriff for fee schedule.)	\$100.50

IV. Miscellaneous Matters:

A. Refusals of Letters: Spouse, Unmarried Minor Child and Creditor Includes one certified copy of order	\$75.50
B. Small Estate Affidavit Includes one certified copy of completed Certificate of Clerk. *If an Application to Admit Will is submitted with Small Estate	\$75.50 \$110.50
C. Dispense with Conservatorship Minor (Sec. 475.330)	\$75.50
D. Determination of Heirship (Sec. 473.663)	\$75.50
E. Petition to require administration	\$155.50
F. Initial proceeding for letters for person absent for five or more years	\$115.50
G. File Will of Decedent (No other proceedings)	No Charge
H. Application to Admit Will to Probate (No other proceedings) *Petition to Reject Will within an existing file	\$75.50 \$35.00
I. Commission to Prove Will	\$5.00

J. Transmitting original Will to another Court	\$10.00
K. Deposit of Will for Safekeeping (Will deposited during testator's lifetime)	\$3.00
L. Citation to Produce Will (Does not include fee for service. See St. Louis County Sheriff for fee schedule.)	\$75.50
M. Petition for Presumption of Death	\$75.50
N. Filing Authenticated Copies by Non-Resident Personal Representative of will, order admitting, letters of appointment	\$75.50
O. Petition to Open Safe Deposit Box	\$10.00
P. Petition for Authorization to Obtain Medical Records	\$75.50
Q. Petition to set aside file termination, re-open estate and reinstate personal representative	No Charge

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