

Attorney Fee Schedule
Liberty County District Courts - Indigent Defense Cases
Effective: March 1, 2023

<u>Individual Case Appointment</u>		RATE	TOTAL (presumptive maximum)
NON-TRIAL DISPOSITION	First Degree	\$600/day	\$1,150
	Second Degree	\$600/day	\$950
	Third Degree, SJF, PTR/AJUD.	\$600/day	\$750
TRIAL	First Degree	\$800/day	\$5,000
	Second Degree	\$800/day	\$4,000
	Third Degree, SJF, MRP/MAJ	\$800/day	\$3,000
	Trials and hearings lasting less than a full day	\$200/hr	\$750
PRE-TRIAL HEARING WITH TESTIMONY		\$200/hr	None
OUT OF COURT HOURS * (Must be supported by detailed description of work performed and hours expended)	First Degree	\$100/hr	\$1,200
	Second Degree	\$100/hr	\$800
	Third Degree, SJF, PTR/AJUD.	\$100/hr	\$600
INVESTIGATION	Investigator and expert witness expenses must be pre-authorized by ex-parte order. Reimbursement request must document the dates, nature of service(s) and hours expended, and must be sworn to as true and correct.	\$40/hr	\$600/Case
EXPERT TESTIMONY		None	\$650/Case
WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL	The fee schedule set forth above applies to completed cases. Fees sought by withdrawing counsel shall be determined by the Court after considering the reasons for withdrawal and work performed to advance the interests of justice.		

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<u>CAPITAL CASE</u>		RATE	TOTAL (presumptive maximum)
DEATH CAPITAL 1ST CHAIR	Non-Trial Appearance	\$100/hr	None
	Voir Dire	\$600/day	None
	Trial/Hearing with Testimony	\$800/day	None
	Out-of-Court Hours *	\$100/hr	\$10,000
DEATH CAPITAL 2ND CHAIR	Non-Trial Appearance	\$75/hr	None
	Voir Dire	\$500/day	None
	Trial/Hearing with Testimony	\$500/day	None
	Out-of-Court Hours *	\$80/hr	\$7,500
DEATH CAPITAL FLAT RATE	Includes all fees except investigation costs, expert witness fees, and witness travel costs. Flat rate applies only if testimony begins in the guilt/innocence phase of trial. Otherwise, the daily and hourly rates apply.	1ST CHAIR	\$25,000
		2ND CHAIR	\$15,000
NON-DEATH CAPITAL	Non-Trial Appearance	\$100/hr	\$2,500
	Trial/Hearing with Testimony	\$800/day	None
	Out-Of-Court Hours*	\$100/hr	\$5,000
INVESTIGATION	Investigator and expert witness expenses must be pre-authorized by ex-parte order. Reimbursement request must document the dates, nature of service(s) and hours expended, and must be sworn to as true and correct.	\$50/hr	None
EXPERT TESTIMONY		None	None
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<u>POST CONVICTION PROCEEDINGS</u>	HOURLY RATE	TOTAL (presumptive max.)
NON-CAPITAL APPEAL		
Appeal, Preparation of Motion for New Trial	\$75/hr	\$1,500
Appeal-Trial >5 days or Transcript/800 Pages, Prep. of Motion for New Trial	\$75/hr	\$2,500
CAPITAL APPEAL		
Appeal-Death Penalty Not Sought, Preparation of Motion for New Trial	\$100/hr	\$3,500
Appeal-Death Penalty Sough, Preparation of Motion for New Trial	\$100/hr	\$3,500
ORAL ARGUMENT		
Court of Appeals		
Non-Capital	\$75/hr	\$450
Capital	\$100/hr	\$600
Court of Criminal Appeals		
Capital Appeal, Death Penalty Given	\$100/hr	\$1,500
Capital Appeal, Death Penalty Sought, Not Given	\$100/hr	\$600
Capital Appeal, Death Penalty Not Sought	\$100/hr	\$600
DNA MOTION		
	\$75/hr	\$750
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	\$75/hr	\$2,250
HEARING WITH TESTIMONY		
	\$350/day	\$1,200