

ATTORNEY FEE SCHEDULE
FOR THE LIBERTY COUNTY DISTRICT COURTS

effective November 1, 2025

FELONIES

<u>Individual Case Appointment</u>	RATE
INITIAL JAIL VISIT OR PROBABLE CAUSE VISIT <i>(rate is for only in-custody initial court appointment)</i>	\$ 200 **
FLAT FEE: PLEAS AND POST-INDICTMENT DISMISSALS <i>(fee does not include initial jail visit listed above)</i>	\$ 800 per defendant; OR \$125 per hour *
FLAT FEE: MTRP/MTIG AND PRE-INDICTMENT DISMISSALS	Plea of True: \$ 600 per defendant; OR \$125 per hour * Plea of Not True: \$ 400 per half day; PLUS \$125 per hour *
BILINGUAL ATTORNEY STIPEND <i>(in addition to fees as listed)</i>	\$ 125 per defendant
EXTRADITION	\$ 250
TRIALS (JURY OR NON-JURY)	\$ 1,000 per half day; PLUS \$ 125 per hour trial preparation *
OUT-OF-COURT AND IN-COURT HOURS	\$ 125 per hour *
INVESTIGATION AND EXPERT TESTIMONY	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.
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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CAPITAL TRIALS	\$ 1,000 per half day for 1 st Chair; \$ 500 per half day for 2 nd Chair; \$ 125 per hour trial preparation *
APPEALS	\$125 per hour * (minimum of \$1,500), not to exceed \$10,000; \$200 per hour * for death penalty, not to exceed a total amount set by the presiding judge of the trial court. Reimbursement for travel costs at County rate

** With supporting documentation, any claim in excess of 10 hours will require an appearance before the Court and sworn testimony to support payment of bill.*

Out-of-court per hour services includes the reasonable and necessary time of counsel for conferences, negotiation, and trial preparation in criminal proceedings resulting in a contested trial.

In-court per hour services includes all hearings or in-court appearances, excluding trial days.

*** To receive the "Initial Jail Visit" rate, you must document the date/time on your Fee Voucher.*

AN APPOINTED ATTORNEY SHALL FILL OUT AND SUBMIT A FEE VOUCHER TO THE COURT FOR SERVICES RENDERED WITHIN 60 DAYS OF DISPOSITION OF THE CASE. FAILURE TO SUBMIT A FEE VOUCHER WITHIN 60 DAYS MAY RESULT IN NON-PAYMENT OF SERVICES.