



COUNTY CLERK

Hill County

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From: Nicole Tanner, Hill County Clerk
Date: August 17, 2015
Re: Probate Filing Fees

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SB 1139-Increase in Electronic Fee-Effective September 1, 2015, Gov't Code 51.851(b)

The Electronic filing fee will increase from \$20.00 to \$30.00 in civil cases in the appellate, district and county-level courts. E-filing is available now in Hill County, but we are not mandatory until January 1, 2016, which is not very far away. This fee increase does not go into revenues to Hill County, it goes to the State revenues.

ARTICLE 4. ELECTRONIC FILING

SECTION 4.01. Section 51.851(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) In addition to other fees authorized or required by law, the clerk of the supreme court, a court of appeals, a district court, a county court, a statutory county court, or a statutory probate court shall collect a \$30 [~~\$20~~] fee on the filing of any civil action or proceeding requiring a filing fee, including an appeal, and on the filing of any counterclaim, cross-action, intervention, interpleader, or third-party action requiring a filing fee to be used as provided by Section 51.852.

SECTION 4.02. Section 51.607, Government Code, does not apply to the imposition of a fee assessed under Section 51.851(b), Government Code, as amended by this article.

SECTION 4.03. The change in law made by amending Section 51.851(b), Government Code, applies only to a fee that becomes payable on or after September 1, 2015. A fee that becomes payable before that date is governed by the law in effect when the fee became payable, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.



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Therefore, effective September 1, 2015, fees for probates filed in the Hill County Clerk's office will be:

Determination of Heirship (Includes Citation By Publication)	\$326.00
Probate for Letters of Adm. - Letters Testamentary (Includes 3 Letters)	\$256.00
Probate as Muniment of Title	\$250.00
Guardianship	\$326.00
Small Estate Affidavit	\$100.00
Adverse Probate Action	\$ 70.00

****Please check with our office about personal citations and the filing fee cost when filing a new guardianship.**

Thank you for your attention and cooperation concerning these fee changes.