

Superior Court

Notice to the Bar & Public

June 25, 2009

ATTENTION Law Office Personnel: Please ensure that ALL staff, attorneys and non-attorneys are aware of the contents of this notice.

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▪ **Changed Filing Fees, Superior & District Courts**

The 2009 Washington Legislature passed a number of bills effecting filing fees. The chart printed on the reverse lists those changes pertinent to the Whatcom County Superior Court and District courts changed. The bulk of the changes impose filing fee surcharges to certain matters, all of the surcharge going to the State.

These changes are effective July 1, 2009, and will be effective through June 30, 2011.

Whatcom County Superior & District Courts

New Filing Fees

Effective for a Two-Year Period, starting July 1, 2009

Appeal Filing Fees

RCW 36.18.018 is amended to increase the fee for filing an appeal to the Court of Appeals from \$250 to \$280.

RCW 36.18.020 is amended to increase appeal filing fees from courts of limited jurisdiction to superior court by \$20.

Superior Court:

RCW 36.18.020 is amended to increase by \$30 civil and domestic filing fees, unlawful detainer filing fees, and probate filing fees. Please see the table below for detailed information:

Tran Code	Description	Old Amt	New Amt
1100	Fee, Civil Filing	\$200	\$230
1103	Fee, Domestic Facilitator Filing	\$250	\$280
1107	Fee, CLJ Appeal Filing	\$200	\$220
1116	Fee, Appellate Filing	\$250	\$280
1118	Fee, Counter-, Cross- 3rd Party Claim Filing	\$200	\$230
1135	Fee, Unlawful Detainer Filing	\$45	\$75
1137	Fee, Unlawful Detainer Combined Filing	\$157	\$187
1138	Fee, Counter/Cross/3rd Party Claims for Unlawful Detainer	\$157	\$187
1200	Fee, Probate/Guardianship/Creditor Claims Filing	\$200	\$230
1203	Fee, Case types 3, 5 Facilitator Program Filing	\$220	\$250
1220	Fee, Will Contested Filing	\$200	\$230

Courts of Limited Jurisdiction:

RCW 3.62.060 is amended to increase by \$20 filing fees for civil cases, counter/cross-claim, and third-party claims.

RCW 12.40.020 is amended to increase small claims fees by \$10.

Please see the table below for detailed information:

Fee Code	Description	Old Amt	New Amt
AHF	Anti-Harassment Filing Fee	\$53	\$73
APF	Appellate Filing Fee: \$17 Law Library Portion Infraction, Civil, O	\$200	\$220
APJ	Appellate Filing Fee: \$20 Law Library Portion Infraction, Civil, O	\$200	\$220
APL	Appellate Filing Fee: \$30 Law Library Portion Infraction, Civil, O	\$200	\$220
CVF	Civil Filing Fee	\$53	\$73
CXS	Small Claims Counter, Cross, 3rd Party Claim Fee	\$14	\$24
CXT	Civil Counter, Cross, 3rd Party Claim Fee	\$53	\$73
SCF	Small Claims Filing Fee	\$14	\$24