



CHIEF JUSTICE  
SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA



JUDICIAL BRANCH  
TEMPLE OF JUSTICE  
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

IN THE HONOURABLE SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

SITTING IN ITS OCTOBER TERM, A.D. 2015

BEFORE HIS HONOR: FRANCIS S. KORKPOR, SR.....CHIEF JUSTICE  
BEFORE HIS HONOR: KABINEH M. JA'NEH .....ASSOCIATE JUSTICE  
BEFORE HER HONOR: JAMESETTA H. WOLOKOLIE.....ASSOCIATE JUSTICE  
BEFORE HIS HONOR: PHILIP A.Z. BANKS, III .....ASSOCIATE JUSTICE  
BEFORE HER HONOR: SIE-A-NYENE G. YUOH .....ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

**REVISED SCHEDULE OF COURT COSTS, FEES AND FINES**

Pursuant to Section 21:6.1 of the Financial Autonomy Act of February 16, 2006, the below Court Costs, Fees and Fines are hereby promulgated by the Supreme Court of Liberia. These Court Costs, Fees and Fines are to be paid in US Dollars, or its Liberian Dollars equivalent based on the Central Bank of Liberia prevailing rate at the time.

LEGAL CONTEXT		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
1.1 THE JUDICIARY LAW:		
(A) § 12.6 Punishment for criminal contempt. Not to exceed:	COURT:	2015
	Supreme Court	US\$500.00
	Circuit Court	US\$300.00
	Debt Court	US\$300.00
	Probate Court	US\$300.00
	Tax Court	US\$300.00

	National Labor Court	US\$300.00
	Commercial Court	US\$300.00
	Magisterial Court	US\$100.00
	Traffic Court	US\$100.00
	Juvenile Court	US\$10.00

LEGAL CONTEXT		
1.1 THE JUDICIARY LAW:		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
(B) § 12.7. Allowance of costs to prevailing parties represented by counsel. Costs upon trial, including a trial <u>de novo</u> , shall be awarded to a prevailing party in a civil action only if he has appeared represented by an attorney or counselor-at-law and shall be calculated as follows:	COURT:	2015
	(a) Where the judgment recovered is for money only, costs shall be five (\$5.00) for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. the first one hundred dollars or under; and,</li> <li>ii. every additional one hundred dollars or fractional part thereof, five (\$5.00) .</li> </ul>	US\$5.00
	(b) Where the judgment is for the recovery of a chattel or in an action of summary proceedings to recover possession of real property, costs shall be awarded in the same amounts as provided in subdivision (a), based upon the value of the chattel as determined by the judgment or claimed by the adverse party, or upon the amount of rent found or claimed to be due, as the case may be.	US\$5.00

	<p>(c) Where the judgment is for the recovery of real property or to complete the determination of a claim thereon, or grants equitable relief, costs may be awarded at the discretion of the court of such sums as it deems reasonable.</p> <p>(d) The costs provided for in this section shall not in any event exceed the sum of \$200.00.</p>	<p>US\$200.00</p>
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LEGAL CONTEXT		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
1.1 THE JUDICIARY LAW:		
<p>(C) § 12.9. Costs upon appeal.</p> <p>Costs upon appeal may be allowed only on an appeal heard in the Supreme Court and shall be awarded at the discretion of the Court. If awarded, the amounts shall be as follows:</p>	COURT:	
	Supreme Court:	2015
	<p>(a) To the appellant upon reversal.</p> <p>(b) To the respondent upon affirmance.</p> <p>(c) To either party upon modification.</p>	<p>Shall be awarded at the discretion of the Court.</p>

LEGAL CONTEXT:		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
1.1 THE JUDICIARY LAW:		2015
(D) § 12.11. Fees of Witnesses.  Witnesses, whose attendance is compelled by a subpoena, whether or not actual testimony is taken:	CIRCUIT COURT.	US\$25.00/Day
	SPECIALIZED COURT.	US\$25.00/Day
	MAGISTERIAL COURT.	US\$10.00/Day
	(a) Shall receive twenty-five dollars for each day's attendance in a civil action or special proceeding before a Circuit and/or Specialized Courts;  (b) Shall receive ten dollars for each day's attendance in a civil action or special proceeding before a magistrate or justice of the peace.  (b) Such witnesses, in addition, shall receive cost for travel expenses for each mile necessarily travelled, from the place where he was served and returned. However, there shall be no mileage fee if the required travel is wholly within the municipality in which the place of attendance is located. (Municipality in this context shall mean the place the court is located.)	

LEGAL CONTEXT		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
1.1 THE JUDICIARY LAW:		
(E) § 3.14 - Fees for Clerks in Civil Actions: In Circuit Courts, and Specialized Courts, The Commercial Court exempted.	COURT:	2015
	CIRCUIT COURTS.	
	SPECIALIZED COURTS.	
	a) Docketing of a case.	US\$10.00
	b) Issuing a writ of summons.	US\$10.00
	c) Issuing a citation or order to show cause in lieu thereof, in a special proceeding.	US\$10.00
	d) Issuing a subpoena.	US\$10.00
	e) Issuing a commission to take testimony.	US\$10.00
	f) Filing demand for a jury to be paid by the party demanding the jury.	US\$10.00
	g) Taxation of bill of costs.	US\$10.00
	h) Entry of final judgment.	US \$10.00
	i) Issuing a writ of execution.	US\$10.00
	j) Docketing of return of execution of judgment.	US\$10.00
	k) Docketing of certificate of satisfaction of judgment.	US\$10.00
	l) Issuing transcript of the docket of a judgment or other lien.	US\$10.00
m) Filing, docketing and recording a notice of perency of action or a notice of attachment against real property.	US\$10.00	
n) Cancelling a notice of pendency of action or a notice of attachment against real property.	US\$10.00	
o) Preparing and certifying copy of record on appeal.	US\$10.00	
p) Preparing, or preparing and certifying a copy of an order or other paper filed or entered in the clerk's office per page (Minimum/maximum)	US\$10.00	
q) Certifying a prepared copy of an order or other paper filed or entered in the clerk's office per page	US\$10.00	

	r) Certifying to a search of court records for consecutive five years period or fraction thereof for each name so searched.	US\$10.00
	s) Filing a bond or other undertaking.	US\$10.00

LEGAL CONTEXT		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
1.1 THE JUDICIARY LAW.		
(F) §7.9. Fees. In Magisterial Courts	COURT:	
	MAGISTERIAL COURTS.	2015
	a) Filing of first paper in any action or proceeding.	
	b) Issuing a writ of summon.	
	c) Issuing a citation or order to show cause in lieu thereof, in summary proceeding.	US\$10.00
	d) Issuing a subpoena.	US\$5.00
	e) Issuing a commission to take testimony.	US\$5.00
	f) Preparation of bill of costs.	US\$5.00
	g) Entry of final judgment.	US\$5.00
	h) Issuing a writ of execution.	US\$5.00
	i) Docketing of returns of execution of judgment.	US\$5.00
	j) Docketing of certificate of satisfaction of judgment.	US\$5.00
	k) Issuing transcript of the docket of a judgment or	US\$5.00

	other lien.	
	l) Certifying copy of record on appeal per sheet.	US\$5.00
	m) Filing a bond or other undertaking.	US\$5.00

LEGAL CONTEXT		
1.1 THE JUDICIARY LAW:		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
	COURTS:	
(G) § 5.2. Original jurisdiction (exclusive) of the Monthly and Probate Court, the Provisional Courts and the Probate Divisions of the Circuit Court.	MONTHLY & PROBATE COURTS.	2015
	PROVISIONAL COURTS.	
	PROBATE DIVISIONS OF CIRCUIT COURTS.	
	(a) To probate wills affecting real and personal property;	US\$25.00
	(b) To grant letters testamentary and of administration;	US\$25.00
	(c) To direct and control the conduct and settle the accounts of executors and administrators;	US\$25.00
	(d) To enforce the payment of the debts of testators and intestates and of their legacies and inheritances and to direct the distribution of their estates;	US\$100.00
	(e) To order the sale and distribution of the real property of deceased persons;	US\$25.00
	(f) To cause the admeasurement of dower, or interests in lieu thereof, to widows;	US\$25.00
(g) To have general supervision and direction of the estates of deceased persons and of minors, mentally disabled persons, and persons judicially declared as incompetents, and of all affairs connected with them;	US\$100.00	

	(h) To appoint and remove guardians of the property for minors, to direct and control their conduct and to settle their accounts;	US\$100.00
	(j) To hear and determine applications for the adoption of children;	US\$200.00
	(k) To hear and determine proceedings to legitimize illegitimate children;	US\$25.00
	(l) To probate deeds, mortgages and other documents affecting or relating to real property and other instruments, documents and papers necessary to be probated.	US\$25.00

LEGAL CONTEXT		
1.2 THE RULES OF COURT:		AUTHORIZED COURT FEES AND FINES
	COURT:	2015
(A) SUPREME COURT List of Costs as found in THE RULES FOR PROCEDURE IN THE COURTS.	NATIONAL LABOR COURT.	US\$110.00
	DEBT COURT.	US\$110.00
(B) SUPREME COURT Lists of Cost as found in THE RULES FOR PROCEDURE IN THE	a) Serving an attachment in admiralty proceedings, or libel in admiralty.	US\$100.00
	b) A warrant, attachment, or summons per each respondent.	US\$50.00
	c) Subpoena, per witness.	US\$7.50

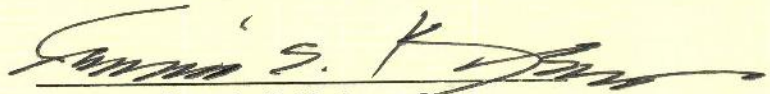


COURTS, under Part 5. - LIST OF COST, Pages 80 - 81:	d) Selling a vessei or other property, and for receiving or paying the moneys for any sum under one thousand dollars, per centum.	5%
	e) For sums over one thousand dollars, per centum.	2 ½ %
	f) For every commitment or discharge of a prisoner.	US\$50.00
	g) For attendance in court, per diem.	US\$15.00
	h) For serving remedial writs: (a) Monrovia Port US\$100.00 b) Outside of Monrovia US\$200.00	(a) US\$100.00 (b) US\$200.00
	i) Collection fees on all amounts.	6 ½ %
	j) Serving notices of assignment: (a) Monrovia and environs US\$50.00 (b) Outside of Monrovia US\$100.00	(a) US\$50.00 (b) US\$100.00

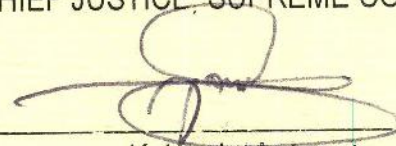
NOTICE: THE LIST OF COSTS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT FROM TIME TO TIME BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA AND PUBLISHED.



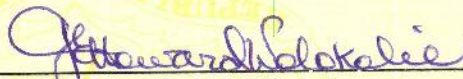
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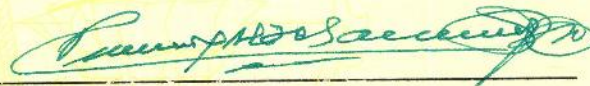
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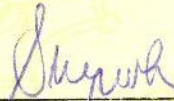
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