

IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS OF THE OCMULGEE CIRCUIT
 STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE:)
)
 COURT REPORTING)
 FEES and TRANSCRIPTS)
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ORDER

As of January 1, 2015, the Judicial Council of Georgia set new policies and fees for Court Reporting Services in Criminal Cases, and clarified what is to be charged in civil cases.

As there are several aspects of these new policies and fees that allow some discretion by the Court, it is the intention of this order to establish how those discretionary matters will be handled in the Ocmulgee Circuit, making sure that it is uniform for all Court Reporters reporting in this circuit.

FEES

COURT ATTENDANCE

Civil Daily Rate ¹	Criminal Daily Rate ¹
Less than eight hours \$190.08	Less than eight hours \$200.00
8 - 9 hours \$212.85	More than eight hours \$235.00
More than nine hours \$225.09	

¹As the vast majority of Court days in this Circuit are not delineated as a civil or criminal day, but are deemed Motion Days, with both civil and criminal matters able to be heard, this circuit will use the Criminal Takedown rate for all days so that all the Court Reporters will be uniform in their billing, with the exception of Civil Trial Weeks, which will be billed at the Civil Daily Rate, unless a criminal matter is heard on that day.

PAGE RATES

Civil & Juvenile Page Rates	Criminal Page Rates ²
Original and 2 copies \$3.78	Less than or equal to 120 days \$6.00
Copy Rate \$1.51	More than 120 days \$5.00
	No copies will be charged for any reason.

RECORDED MISC. BOOK # 3 1
 PAGE 950-952 CLERK'S OFFICE
 MORGAN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
 JODY M. MOSS, CLERK

²It is within the Judge's discretion to allow additional time for the Court Reporter to complete a transcript. Due to our circuit being an eight county circuit with each Court Reporter being in court a substantial number of days each month, it will be the order of this Circuit that each and every bill will have the following order typed on the bottom of each bill, and will be filed with any transcript submitted to the Clerk after the 120 days.

"For good cause shown, it is the Order of this Court that an extension has been granted for the filing of the transcript(s) shown on this invoice, at the page rate billed, but not to exceed \$6.00 per page."

TAKEDOWN

Civil Takedown by Law	Criminal Takedown Required by Law
Per hour \$43.31	A takedown charge for any criminal proceeding is no longer allowed.
Only upon request of the parties.	<p style="text-align: center;">Required</p> <p>(1) All proceedings in death penalty cases. (2) All habeas corpus proceedings. (3) Felony cases (a) Guilty pleas. (b) During trial, all evidence including testimony, objections and rulings, motions and rulings thereon, jury charge, and sentencing. (c) Motion for new trial hearings. (4) Guilty pleas in misdemeanor cases.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Only upon request ³</p> <p>(1) pretrial motions, (2) voir dire (3) opening statements (4) colloquies (5) closing arguments (6) probation revocation hearings</p>

³All criminal takedown, while not always required by the Judicial Council's Policies and Fees, is required to be taken down in the Ocmulgee Circuit by this Order, unless the Judge determines otherwise at time of takedown.

REQUIRED FILING OF TRANSCRIPTS FOR THE OCMULGEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

<p>Civil Transcripts</p> <p>Only upon request of the parties. All requests must be in writing.</p>	<p>Criminal Transcripts *</p> <p>Pleas Stipulated Probation Matters All death penalty cases Non-jury/jury trials resulting in a guilty verdict.</p> <p>*Voir dire, opening & closing statements are not typed unless requested by the court or parties.</p> <p>All requests for any criminal transcript must be in writing, if it is not required by this order to be typed.</p>
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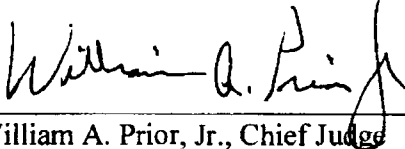
DELIVERY OF TRANSCRIPTS

<p>Civil Transcripts</p> <p>All civil transcripts will be delivered to the Clerk of each county by electronic (internet, CD, DVD) or paper means, whichever method is agreed upon by both parties. Transcripts to any parties may be sent by any type of electronic or paper means as is agreeable to both parties.</p>	<p>Criminal Transcripts</p> <p>All criminal transcripts will be delivered to the Clerk of each county by electronic means, either through an internet portal or on CD or DVD. Transcripts to any parties may be sent through email or any type of electronic means agreeable to both parties.</p>
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For any matter not discussed in this Order, or any matter which cannot be determined by the Policies and Fees for Court Reporters, the fees charged will be those fees that were in effect prior to January 1, 2015.

This Order in no way overrules any policy or fee as set forth in the Judicial Council of Georgia Policies and Fees for Court Reporters, but is only to clarify and determine all those matters which can be Ordered at the discretion of the Court for the Ocmulgee Circuit Court Reporters.

So ORDERED this the 7th day of February, 2015.



 William A. Prior, Jr., Chief Judge
 Superior Courts
 Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit