

Effective January 1, 2024
Montague County
Clerk Fees

Filing/Recording in the Real Property Records:

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
Filing/Recording Fee	(LGC 118.011)	\$ 5.00
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total for 1st Page		\$25.00
Each additional page or part which there are visible marks		\$ 4.00
Each additional name to be indexed in excess of five (5)		.25

Texas Property Code 11.003, effective Jan. 1, 1982: Requires that each grantee's mailing address be in or attached to any document conveying real property executed after December 31, 1981. *If address of each grantee is not included, the payment of a penalty filing fee equal to the greater of (1) twice the statutory filing fee for the filing of such document with the County Clerk or (2)\$25.00 will be required. This fee is in addition to regular filing fees.* **LGC 191.007(c)(h):** Provides double the filing fee for that page if there is not a clearly identifying heading, similar to the headings on most printed forms, must be placed at the top of the first page to identify the type or kind of legal paper. **LGC 191.007(e)(h):** Provides double the filing fee for that page if names are not legibly typed or printed immediately under each signature. **LGC 191.007(3):** Printed in type no smaller than 8 point type. **Property Code 12.001(b) & 12.011:** Must have original signature and proper acknowledgement.

State Tax Liens/Releases:

Filing/Recording Fee	(PC 14.005)	\$ 5.00
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total for 1st Page		\$15.00
Each additional page or part which there are visible marks		\$ 4.00

Federal Tax Liens/Releases:

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
Filing/Recording Fee	(PC 14.005)	\$10.00
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total for 1st Page		\$30.00
Each additional page or part which there are visible marks		\$4.00

Abandonment or Assumed Name Certificate:

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
Filing/Recording Fee	(TX Business/Commerce 71.155)(a)(1))	\$ 2.00
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total for 1st Page		\$22.00
Each additional name indexed		.50

Brands (Livestock):

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
Filing/Recording Fee	(LGC 118.020(a)(9) (Tx Agri.Code 144.110))	\$ 5.00
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total for 1st Page		\$25.00
Each additional location		10.00

Notice of Trustee Sale:

Filing/Recording Fee	(TPC 51.002(f))	<u>\$2.00</u>
Total		\$2.00

Plats:

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
Filing/Recording Fee	(LGC 118.011(c))	\$65.00
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total for 1st Page		\$85.00
Each additional page or part which there are visible marks		5.00

UCC FEES/Financing Statements:

As of July 1, 2001 UCC records relating to consumer goods are no longer filed in the County Clerk’s Office. Per revised Article 9 for the State of Texas, these are filed with the State. UCC-1 and UCC03 are accepted for filing in the Real Property Records if the collateral is timber, mineral, oil, gas or fixtures and *regular filing fees apply*.

Marriage License:without Texas Premarital Edu. Certificate

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
BVS Preservation	(HSC 191.0045)	\$ 1.00
Fee	(LGC 118.011(a)(7))	\$24.50
State of Texas Fee	(LGC 118.011(a)(7))	\$35.50
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total		\$81.00

Marriage License:with Texas Premarital Edu. Certificate

72 hour waiting period is waived

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
BVS Preservation	(HSC 191.0045)	\$ 1.00
Fee	(LGC 118.011(a)(7))	waived
State of Texas Fee	(LGC 118.011(a)(7))	waived
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total		\$21.00

Informal Marriage:

Archive Fee	(LGC 118.011(f))	\$10.00
BVS Preservation	(HSC 191.0045)	\$ 1.00
Fee	(LGC 118.011(a)(8))	\$12.50
State of Texas Fee	(LGC 118.011(a)(8))	\$12.50
Records Management	(LGC 118.011(b)(2))	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total		\$46.00

Birth Certificate (Certified Copy):

BVS Preservation	(HSC 191.0045)	\$ 1.00
Search/Certificate/C- Clerk Fee	(LGC 118.015(a)(TAC 181.22))(HSC 191.0045)	\$ 20.20
State of Texas Fee	(HSC 191.0045)	<u>\$ 1.80</u>
Total		\$ 23.00
Birth Verification (HSC 191.0045(d) (TAC 181.22G))		\$21.00

Death Certificate (Certified Copy):

BVS Preservation	(HSC 191.0045)	\$ 1.00
Search/Certificate/C- Clerk Fee	(LGC 118.015(a)(TAC 181.22))(HSC 191.0045)	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total		\$ 21.00

Each Additional Copy-ordered at the same time

BVS Preservation	(HSC 191.0045)	\$1.00
County Clerk Fee	(HSC 191.0045)	<u>\$3.00</u>
Total		\$4.00
Death Verification (HSC 191.0045(d) (TAC 181.22G))		\$21.00

Civil Case Fees:

Appellate Judicial System Fund	(LGC 22.229)	\$ 5.00
County Facility Fee Fund	(LGC 135.152)	\$ 20.00
Clerk of the Court	(LGC 135.153)	\$ 50.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Acct	(LGC 135.154)	\$ 30.00
Court Reporter Service Fund	(LGC 51.601(a), (a-1), (b), (c))	\$ 25.00
County Law Library Fund	(LGC 323.023)	\$ 35.00
Courthouse Security Fund	(LGC 291.008)	\$ 20.00
Language Access Fund	(LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund	(LGC 135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund	(LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
State Consolidated Fee	(LGC 133.151 (1))	\$137.00
Total		\$ 350.00
Issue Doc’s/Citation Service	(LGC 118.052(3)(A))	\$ 4.00
		\$ 125.00

Occupational Driver's License:

Appellate Judicial System Fund (LGC 22.229)	\$ 5.00
County Facility Fee Fund (LGC 135.152)	\$ 20.00
Clerk of the Court (LGC 135.153)	\$ 50.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Acct (LGC 135.154)	\$ 30.00
Court Reporter Service Fund (LGC 51.601(a), (a-1), (b), (e))	\$ 25.00
County Law Library Fund (LGC 323.023)	\$ 35.00
Courthouse Security Fund (LGC 291.008)	\$ 20.00
Language Access Fund (LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund (LGC 135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund (LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
State Consolidated Fee (LGC 133.151 (1))	\$137.00
Total	\$ 350.00

Foreign Judgments: (fees same as regular Civil Suit) **\$ 350.00**

Nondisclosures: (fees same as regular Civil Suit)+\$28.00 LGC 1411.081(d) **\$ 350.00 + \$28.00(2 separate pmts.)(\$378)**

Writ of Garnishment: (fees same as regular Civil Suit/service/\$5 prepare writ) **\$ 480.00**

Cross Action; Counterclaim (Civil):

Clerk of the Court (LGC 135.153)	\$ 15.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Acct (LGC 135.154)	\$ 20.00
State Consolidated Fee (LGC 133.151 (1))	\$ 45.00
Total	\$ 80.00

Probate Fees:

Probate of Will for Letters of Testamentary, Administration (with Will annexed, Dependent or Independent):

Appellate Judicial System Fund (LGC 22.2021 (b))	\$ 5.00
Court Facility Fee Fund (LGC 135.152)	\$20.00
Clerk of the Court (LGC 135.153)	\$40.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Fund (LGC 135.154)	\$15.00
Court Reporter Service Fund (LGC 51.601(a),(a-1),(b), (e))	\$25.00
County Law Library Fund (LGC 323.023)	\$35.00
Courthouse Security Fund (LGC 291.008)	\$20.00
Language Access Fund (LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund (LGC 135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund (LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
Court-initiated Guardianship Fun(LGC 135.158)	\$ 20.00
Judicial Education/Support Fund (LGC 135.159)	\$ 5.00
Public Probate Adm Fund (LGC 135.160)	\$ 10.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each) (LGC 118. 101)	\$ 2.00
State Consolidated Fee (LGC 133.151 (a) (1))	\$137.00
Total	\$362.00
Issue Doc's/Citation (LGC 118.052(3)(A))	\$ 4.00 ea.
County Sheriff (Posting) (LGC 181.131)	\$10.00
Service	\$125.00
Letters (LGC118.052)	\$ 2.00 ea.

Probate of Will as a Muniment of Title; Declaration of Heirship; Community Survivors

Appellate Judicial System Fund (LGC 22.2021 (b))	\$ 5.00
Court Facility Fee Fund (LGC 135.152)	\$20.00
Clerk of the Court (LGC 135.153)	\$40.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Fund (LGC135.154)	\$15.00
Court Reporter Service Fund (LGC 51.601(a),(a-1),(b), (e))	\$25.00
County Law Library Fund (LGC 323.023)	\$35.00
Courthouse Security Fund (LGC 291.008)	\$20.00
Language Access Fund (LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund (LGC135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund (LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
Court-initiated Guardianship Fun(LGC 135.158)	\$ 20.00
Judicial Education/Support Fund (LGC 135.159)	\$ 5.00
Public Probate Adm Fund (LGC 135.160)	\$ 10.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each) (LGC 118. 101)	\$ 2.00
State Consolidated Fee (LGC 133.151 (a) (1))	\$137.00
Total	\$362.00
Issue Doc's/Citation (LGC 118.052(3)(A))	\$ 4.00 ea.
County Sheriff (Posting) (LGC 181.131)	\$10.00
Small Estates (no posting, no doc's)	\$362.00

Inventory, Appraisal and list of Claims (after 90th day after Qualification Date)

County Clerk Filing Fee	(LGC 118.052(2)(B)(i))	\$25.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each)	(LGC 118.101(11))	\$ 2.00
Total		\$27.00

Annual/Final Account of Probate(must be notarized, Application for Sale of Real or Personal Property (after Order Approving Inventory & Appraisal or after 120th day after initial filing of the action, whichever occurs first)

County Clerk Filing Fee	(LGC 118.052(2)(B)(iv))	\$25.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each)	(LGC 118.101(11))	\$ 2.00
Total		\$27.00

Misc. Filings (after Order Approving Inventory and Appraisal or after 120th day after initial filing of the action, whichever occurs first IF MORE THAN 25 PAGES)

County Clerk Filing Fee	(LGC 118.052(2)(B)(vii))	\$25.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each)	(LGC 118.101(11))	\$ 2.00
Total		\$27.00

Claim/File, Release, Withdraw, (paid by the Claimant at time of filing) Need original+3 copies

County Clerk Filing Fee	(LGC 118.052(2)(D))	\$10.00
Total		\$10.00

Wills for Safekeeping

County Clerk Filing Fee	(LGC 118.052(3)(E))	\$ 5.00
Total		\$ 5.00

Adverse Action (Probate Cross Action, Motion for New Trial, etc.)

Clerk of the Court	(LGC 135.153)	\$40.00
County Records Management	(LGC 135.154)	\$ 5.00
Court Initiated Guardianship Fun	(LGC 135.158)	\$ 20.00
Public Probate Adm Fund	(LGC135.160)	\$ 10.00
Civil Legal Services Fee	(LGC 133.153(a)(1))	\$ 10.00
State Consolidated Fee	(LGC 133.151) (a) (1)	\$ 45.00
Total		\$120.00

Foreign Wills

Appellate Judicial System Fund	(LGC 22.2021 (b))	\$ 5.00
Court Facility Fee Fund	(LGC 135.152)	\$20.00
Clerk of the Court	(LGC 135.153)	\$40.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Fund	(LGC 135.154)	\$15.00
Court Reporter Service Fund	(LGC 51.601(a),(a-1),(b), (c))	\$25.00
County Law Library Fund	(LGC 323.023)	\$35.00
Courthouse Security Fund	(LGC 291.008)	\$20.00
Language Access Fund	(LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund	(LGC 135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund	(LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
Court-initiated Guardianship Fun	(LGC 135.158)	\$ 20.00
Judicial Education/Support Fund	(LGC 135.159)	\$ 5.00
Public Probate Adm Fund	(LGC 135.160)	\$ 10.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each)	(LGC 118.101)	\$ 2.00
State Consolidated Fee	(LGC 133.151 (a) (1))	\$137.00
Total		\$362.00
Issue Doc's/Citation	(LGC 118.052(3)(A))	\$ 4.00 ea.
County Sheriff (Posting) Service	(LGC 181.131)	\$10.00
		\$125.00

Open Safety Deposit Box

Appellate Judicial System Fund (LGC 22.2021 (b))	\$ 5.00
Court Facility Fee Fund (LGC 135.152)	\$20.00
Clerk of the Court (LGC 135.153)	\$40.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Fund (LGC135.154)	\$15.00
Court Reporter Service Fund (LGC 51.601(a),(a-1),(b), (e))	\$25.00
County Law Library Fund (LGC 323.023)	\$35.00
Courthouse Security Fund (LGC 291.008)	\$20.00
Language Access Fund (LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund (LGC135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund (LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
Court-initiated Guardianship Fun(LGC 135.158)	\$ 20.00
Judicial Education/Support Fund (LGC 135.159)	\$ 5.00
Public Probate Adm Fund (LGC 135.160)	\$ 10.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each) (LGC 118.101)	\$ 2.00
State Consolidated Fee (LGC 133.151 (a) (1))	\$137.00
Total	\$362.00

Sale of Property of a Minor:

Appellate Judicial System Fund (LGC 22.2021 (b))	\$ 5.00
Court Facility Fee Fund (LGC 135.152)	\$20.00
Clerk of the Court (LGC 135.153)	\$40.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Fund (LGC135.154)	\$15.00
Court Reporter Service Fund (LGC 51.601(a),(a-1),(b), (e))	\$25.00
County Law Library Fund (LGC 323.023)	\$35.00
Courthouse Security Fund (LGC 291.008)	\$20.00
Language Access Fund (LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund (LGC135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund (LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
Court-initiated Guardianship Fun(LGC 135.158)	\$ 20.00
Judicial Education/Support Fund (LGC 135.159)	\$ 5.00
Public Probate Adm Fund (LGC 135.160)	\$ 10.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each) (LGC 118.101)	\$ 2.00
State Consolidated Fee (LGC 133.151 (a) (1))	\$137.00
Total	\$362.00

Guardianship:

Appellate Judicial System Fund (LGC 22.2021 (b))	\$ 5.00
Court Facility Fee Fund (LGC 135.152)	\$20.00
Clerk of the Court (LGC 135.153)	\$40.00
County Records Mngt/Pres Fund (LGC135.154)	\$15.00
Court Reporter Service Fund (LGC 51.601(a),(a-1),(b), (e))	\$25.00
County Law Library Fund (LGC 323.023)	\$35.00
Courthouse Security Fund (LGC 291.008)	\$20.00
Language Access Fund (LGC 135.155)	\$ 3.00
County Jury Fund (LGC135.156)	\$ 10.00
County Dispute Resolution Fund (LGC 135.157)	\$ 15.00
Court-initiated Guardianship Fun(LGC 135.158)	\$ 20.00
Judicial Education/Support Fund (LGC 135.159)	\$ 5.00
Public Probate Adm Fund (LGC 135.160)	\$ 10.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each) (LGC 118.101)	\$ 2.00
State Consolidated Fee (LGC 133.151 (a) (1))	\$137.00
Total	\$362.00
Issue Doc's/Citation (LGC 118.052(3)(A))	\$ 4.00 ea.
County Sheriff (Posting) (LGC 181.131)	\$10.00
Service	\$125.00
Letters (LGC 118.052)	\$2.00 ea.

Annual/Final Report of Guardian of welfare of a Person (must be notarized)

County Clerk Filing Fee (LGC 118.052(2)(B)(vi))	\$10.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each) (LGC 118.101(11))	\$ 2.00
Total	\$12.00

Annual/Final Account of Guardianship (must be notarized, Application for Sale or Real or Personal Property (after Order Approving Inventory & Appraisement or after 120th day after initial filing of the action, whichever occurs first)

County Clerk Filing Fee	(LGC 118.052(2)(B)(iv))	\$25.00
Judge's Signature Fee (each)	(LGC 118.101(11))	\$ 2.00
Total		\$27.00

Other Fees:

Abstract of Judgment (Local Government Code 118.052 (1)(c)(i))		\$ 8.00
Certification of Copies (Local Government Code 118.052 (3) (B))		\$ 5.00 plus copies
Copies (Local Government Code 118.052 (3) (C)(COP))		\$ 1.00
Emailed copies		\$ 2.00 per page
Fax'd copies		\$ 2.00 per page
Administration Fee (on each Criminal Payment)(102.72 CCP)		\$ 2.00
Letters Test., guardianship, admin., (LGC 118.052)		\$ 2.00
Clerk's certificate to certify (LGC 118.052 (3))		\$ 5.00 plus copies
Judge's fee signature on orders (LGC 118.101)		\$ 2.00
Return Check fee (HB 249)		\$30.00
Authenticated Copy fee		\$ 8.00plus copies
Criminal Search case # must be provided and request submitted in writing		\$ 5.00
Probate Search case # must be provided and request submitted in writing		\$ 5.00
Issue Doc's/Citations after initial Citation (LGC 118.052(3)(A))		\$ 4.00
Issue Writs (LGC 118.052(1)(c)(ii))		\$ 5.00
Sheriff to Serve Writs		\$125.00
Sheriff Posting fee		\$10.00
Posting Notice fee (TPC 51.002(f)(LGC 291.008(d))		\$ 3.00
Jury Fee (TGC 51.604)		\$40.00
Bond Approval (LGC 118.016)		\$ 3.00
Certified Copy Marriage License		\$ 8.00
Serve Writ of Execution		\$200.00
Citation by Publication		\$24.00(2 postings plus issue)
Writ of Garnishment: <i>Clerk collects all fees for filing the Writ of Garnishment after Judgment. This fee is the same as a New Civil filing fee of \$362.00 plus \$5.00 for preparing the Writ...\$125 for service</i>		\$382.00
<i>No Writ of Garnishment shall be issued before final Judgment until the party applying has filed with the Clerk an order signed by the Court after a hearing. The Court shall further find in its order the amount of bond required payable to the Defendant in the amount fixed by the Court Order.</i>		