

North Carolina State Court Costs for Civil Cases and Foreclosures

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Filing and Motion Fees	Cost
File a Complaint and issue Original Summons (<i>per county</i>)	
District Court (<= \$25,000; without regard to interest and costs)	\$ 150.00
Superior Court (> \$25,000; without regard to interest and costs)	\$ 200.00
Issue an Alias & Pluries Summons or endorse Original (<i>per summons</i>)	\$ 15.00
Up to two defendants fit on each summons; if there are more than two requiring an A&P Summons, an additional fee will apply	
File a Motion(s) requiring a Hearing (<i>per pleading</i>)	\$ 20.00
More than one motion may be included in a pleading; the cost is incurred only at the filing of the First Notice of Hearing	
File a Counterclaim and/or Cross-claim (<i>per pleading</i>)	
District Court (<= \$25,000; without regard to interest and costs)	\$ 150.00
Superior Court (> \$25,000; without regard to interest and costs)	\$ 200.00

Notice of Rights	Cost
Before a judgment can be executed against an individual, defendant(s) must be served with the <i>Notice of Rights to Have Exemptions Designated</i> . Rather than serve by sheriff, typically we serve by certified mail, return receipt requested. (<i>per defendant</i>) (<i>does not apply to corporations</i>)	\$ 6.48

Judgment Execution, Filing Confession, Transcript of Judgment	Cost
Issue a Writ of Execution (<i>per county issued to; some counties--per address</i>)	\$ 25.00
Proceeding supplemental to execution	\$ 30.00
File a Confession of Judgment	\$ 25.00
Transcribe a judgment to another county (<i>per county</i>)	\$ 10.00

Sheriff's Service Fees	Cost
Serve Summons & Complaint or Writ of Execution (<i>per defendant</i>)	\$ 30.00

Sheriff's Levy Fees & Commissions

Levy fees are charged up-front to levy on vehicles or real estate, and unused fees will be refunded. Fees range starting from \$500 and are determined on a county basis. Fees can be repaid from proceeds of sale.

Commissions are 5% of the first \$500 collected + 2.5% over \$500

Typical Civil Case with One Defendant, no supplemental proceedings:	District	Superior
File Complaint and issue Summons	\$ 150.00	\$ 200.00
Serve Summons & Complaint	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
File Default & Default Judgment	\$ -	\$ -
Serve Notice of Rights by certified mail	\$ 6.48	\$ 6.48
Issue Writ of Execution	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Serve Writ of Execution	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 241.48	\$ 291.48

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Typical Civil Case with Two Defendants, no supplemental proceedings:	District	Superior
File Complaint and issue Summons	\$ 150.00	\$ 200.00
Serve Summons & Complaint	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
File Default & Default Judgment	\$ -	\$ -
Serve Notice of Rights by certified mail	\$ 12.96	\$ 12.96
Issue Writ of Execution	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Serve Writ of Execution	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
Total	\$ 307.96	\$ 357.96

Foreclosure Under Power of Sale	Cost
Substitute Trustee in Deed of Trust	\$ 10.00
File a Foreclosure (+ Sheriff's Service Fees above and any Motion Fees)	\$ 300.00
Additional Fee assessed from sale, per \$100 of final sale price, Minimum \$10.00, Maximum \$500.00	\$ 0.45