

Leon County Court Attorney Fee Schedule
For Appointed Counsel

FEE SCHEDULE

The county will pay appointed counsel for all time reasonably necessary for adequate representation of the parties to whom indigent defense counsel is approved by a judge, according to the following fee schedules adopted by the Judges of Leon County. There are four (4) separate schedules combined in this document. Please use the appropriate section. If the attorney is appointed through an indigent defense software program such as TechShare, the attorney fee voucher should be submitted through same. At this point, only criminal felony and misdemeanor cases are appointed through an indigent defense software program.

FELONY CRIMINAL CASES

1. Appointed attorneys shall be compensated according to the following schedule:

a. Trial:

For the trial of criminal cases whether to a jury or the court, and including contested disposition hearings such as motion to revoke, appointed attorneys shall be paid \$90.00 per hour for all documented out-of-court and in-court time that is already spent on the case that reasonable professionals would agree was reasonably necessary for a qualified criminal defense attorney to represent the client with a minimum amount equal to the scheduled amounts for disposition by plea or dismissal.

b. Disposition:

Felony cases:

Single case:

\$600 for plea/dismissal of a state jail or 3rd degree felony,
\$750 for plea/dismissal of a 2nd degree felony,
\$1,000 for plea/dismissal of a 1st degree felony.

Additional cases:

\$150 for plea/dismissal for each additional case, on the same defendant, up to a total maximum for all cases, on the same defendant, of \$1,200.00

Motion to revoke or proceed:

\$500 for plea/dismissal of a single case, and \$150 for plea/dismissal for each additional case, on the same defendant, up to a maximum for all cases, on the same defendant of \$1,200.

c. Appeal:

Felony:

\$2,000 for appeal of a single case tried to a jury. \$1,500 for Nonjury,

\$2,500 for appeal of multiple cases on the same defendant tried to a jury. \$2,000 nonjury,

\$10,000 for appeal of a capital death penalty case.

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d. Death Penalty Capital Cases:

Lead Counsel; \$125 per hour with a maximum total of \$75,000.00;
Second Chair; \$100.00 per hour with a maximum total of
\$75,000.00

MISDEMEANOR CRIMINAL CASES

FIXED RATES

These fees will be the standard compensation for the following services:

Case dismissed prior to or after criminal information filed	\$ 100
Plea and Sentence (separate setting)*	\$ 350
Probation Revocation Hearings	\$ 250
Appeals	(see below)
Single case nonjury	\$ 350
Single case tried by a jury	\$ 500
Multiple cases on the same defendant nonjury	\$ 750
Multiple cases on the same defendant tried by a jury	\$1000

*Add \$50 for plea/dismissal for each additional case on the same defendant, up to a total maximum of all cases, on the same defendant, of \$600

DAILY RATES

Daily rates are premised on a minimum of six hours spent in court. If less time is spent the fee will be reduced. The Daily Rate Fee includes compensation for preparation time.

Non-Jury Trial	\$350
Jury Trail	\$500

HOURLY RATES (Minimum \$40 per hour—Maximum \$75 per hour)

When a fixed rate is provided above an hourly rate claim will ordinarily not be approved. Claims for payment should reflect the time expended to nearest 1/10th of an hour. If an hourly rate is approved, an itemized statement reflecting the date, service performed, and time expended, must be submitted with the request for payment form.

EXPENSES

Court appointed counsel will be compensated for all reasonable and necessary expenses: I.e., collect or long distance phone calls, copying expenses, auto mileage (at State rate). All major expenses, such as investigators or expert witnesses, will require written approval by the court prior to the expense being incurred.

REQUEST FOR PAYMENTS

1. Request for payment forms shall be submitted at the time the case is disposed of except for trails. Requests for payment after the trails should be submitted within five working days of the conclusion of the case.
2. If a case is disposed of prior to the filing of criminal information or is a writ matter, the request for payment from should be submitted to the Judge who signed the attorney appointment order.
3. Payment for all of a defendant's cases should be requested on one form.
4. Payment for expenses such as investigators and expert witnesses should be requested on a separate form.

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JUVENILE CASES

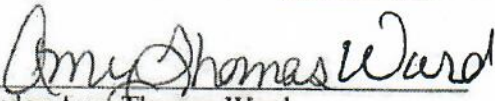
Single case:

\$350 for adjudication hearing of single case

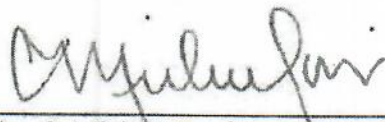
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY PROTECTIVE SERVICES CASES

Hourly rate: \$100 per hour, documented in-court and out-of-court time, for the representation of DFPS parties.

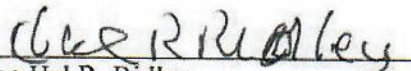
Signed this 30th day of NOVEMBER, 2023.



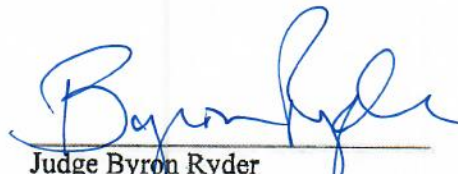
Judge Amy Thomas Ward
87th Judicial District



Judge C. Michael Davis
369th Judicial District



Judge Hal R. Ridley
278th Judicial District



Judge Byron Ryder
County Judge