



SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO

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Frequently Asked Questions on Trial Court Reporter Fees

1. What are the court reporter fees for trials?

For trials and evidentiary hearings scheduled to take place on or after March 1, 2017, the fees depend on the time your case takes each day:

- Up to an hour in one day = \$30
- Between one and four hours in one day = \$350
- More than four hours in one day = \$700

For trials and evidentiary hearings scheduled to take place before March 1, 2017, the court reporter fee is what the court quoted at the time the trial was set.

2. To what kinds of cases do these fees apply?

These fees apply to all trials and evidentiary hearings in civil, probate, and family law matters. They do not apply to small claims hearings, juvenile matters, criminal matters, or traffic cases.

3. My trial was set by the court before March 1, 2017 but is going to take place after March 1, 2017. What court reporter fees do I pay?

Because your trial is taking place after March 1, 2017, your fee is either \$30, \$350, or \$700, depending on how much time your case takes each day.

4. What fee do I pay if the trial is continued or rescheduled?

The new fees will apply if your trial is continued or rescheduled to a date on or after March 1, 2017.

5. Who pays the trial court reporter fees?

The judge will designate the party or parties responsible for the fees.

6. How were these fees determined?

Court reporter fees are set per Government Code section 68086 and California Rules of Court, rule 2.958.

7. I can't afford court reporter fees. What can I do?

You may ask the clerk for a fee waiver application. If you are eligible for a fee waiver, you might not have to pay for some or all of your trial court reporter fees.

8. I have questions about these fees that aren't answered here. Who can I talk to?

You may contact the staff in the Civil Division or Family/Probate Division with any questions about these fees.