

**SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
(COURT PROCEEDINGS FEES) (SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES)
RULES 2017**

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SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

2017 NO. 2

(Gazetted 26th September, 2017)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 17 (2) (b) of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court Order 1967, the Chief Justice, and two Judges of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court make the following Rules –

**EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT (COURT PROCEEDINGS FEES)
(SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES) RULES, 2017**

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| 1. These Rules may be cited as the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (Court Proceedings Fees) (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) Rules, 2017. | Citation |
| 2. These Rules come into effect on the 1st day of October, 2017. | Commencement |
| 3. The fees to be taken in the High Court in respect of Civil proceedings, except the fees for Family proceedings and Admiralty and Bankruptcy proceedings, shall be in accordance with the fees specified in Schedule 1. | High Court Civil proceedings fees |
| 4. The fees to be taken in the High Court in respect of Family proceedings shall be in accordance with the fees specified in Schedule 2. | High Court Family proceedings fees |
| 5. The fees to be taken in the High Court in respect of – | High Court Admiralty and Bankruptcy proceedings fees |
| (a) Admiralty; or | |
| (b) Bankruptcy proceedings in the High Court under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, | |
| shall be in accordance with the fees specified in Schedule 3. | |

**Non-Contentious
Probate and
Administration
of Estates
proceedings fees**

6. The fees to be taken in the High Court in respect of Non-Contentious Probate and Administration of Estate proceedings shall be in accordance with the fees specified in Schedule 4.

**Court of Appeal
fees**

7. The fees to be taken in the Court of Appeal in respect of Criminal and Civil proceedings shall be in accordance with the fees specified in Schedule 5.

**Transcript of
Court
proceedings fees**

8. (1) The fees to be taken in the High Court in respect of the preparation of transcripts of Court proceedings in Civil proceedings shall be in accordance with the fees specified in Schedule 6.

(2) The fees to be taken in the High Court in respect of the preparation of transcripts of Court proceedings in Criminal proceedings shall be in accordance with the fees specified in Schedule 7.

Revocation

9. The following are revoked –

Cap. 24

(a) Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (Fees) (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) Rules;

Cap. 279

(b) Registrar's (Fees) Notice 1995;

No. 5 of 2002

(c) Registrar's (Fees) Notice 2001 ; and

No. 4 of 2013

(d) Registrar's (Fees) Notice 2013 .

SCHEDULE 1
(rule 3)
HIGH COURT CIVIL PROCEEDINGS FEES

High Court Civil Proceedings	
Document/Process	Fees
Acknowledgement of Service	\$20.00
Affidavit/Statutory Declaration	\$20.00
Amended Statement of Case	\$40.00
Application/Notice of Application	\$40.00
Articles of Sale	\$20.00
Bundle including core and trial bundle	\$30.00
Copy (per page)	\$1.00
Certified copy (per document)	\$10.00
Certificates	\$15.00
Change of Legal Practitioner	\$10.00
Entry of default judgment or judgment on admission	\$20.00
Joinder of issue	\$15.00
Judgment Summons	\$40.00
Liquidators Report	\$50.00
List of Documents	\$25.00
List of Witnesses	\$10.00
Listing questionnaire	\$10.00
Notice (except notice of application or application)	\$10.00

Order (up to three copies)	\$25.00
Order (each additional copy)	\$5.00
Request for entry of default judgment or judgment on admission	\$10.00
Search (per file)	\$5.00
Skeleton Argument/Submission (up to the first ten pages)	\$10.00
Skeleton Argument/Submission (each additional page after first 10)	\$1.00
Statement of account	\$15.00
Statement of Case *Includes defence, claim form, statement of claim, reply	\$50.00
Undertaking	\$20.00
Witness Statement/Summary	\$10.00
Witness Summons	\$20.00
Writ	\$50.00
For filing any other document or matter not herein specified	\$20.00

SCHEDULE 2
(rule 4)
HIGH COURT FAMILY PROCEEDINGS FEES

Family Proceedings	
Document/Process	Fees
Acknowledgement of Service	\$20.00
Affidavit Declarations	\$20.00
Answer	\$20.00
Applications/Summons	\$25.00
Application for Registrar's certificate	\$10.00
Application to make decree absolute	\$10.00
Bill of costs	\$15.00
Certificate of search	\$5.00
Certificate with regard to reconciliation	\$5.00
Consent to Act as Guardian Ad litem	\$5.00
Consent of Parents (if needed)	\$5.00
Copy of document (per page)	\$1.00
Decree Absolute/Certificate of Decree Absolute	\$15.00
Decree Nisi	\$10.00
Entry of Appearance	\$5.00
Exhibits/Certificate of Exhibits	\$10.00
Notice	\$10.00
Order	\$20.00

Originating Summons	\$20.00
Petition/Counter/Cross Petition	\$20.00
Registrar's Certificate	\$10.00
Report of Guardian Ad Litem	\$5.00
Request for Directions/Hearing/Particulars etc	\$10.00
Search (per file)	\$5.00
Legal Practitioner's Certificate	\$10.00
Statement as to arrangements for children	\$10.00
Undertaking	\$20.00
Warrant to Act	\$10.00
Writ	\$50.00
For filing any other document or matter not herein specified	\$20.00

SCHEDULE 3
(rule 5)

HIGH COURT ADMIRALTY AND BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS FEES

A d m i r a l t y a n d B a n k r u p t c y P r o c e e d i n g s	
D o c u m e n t / P r o c e s s	F e e s
A c k n o w l e d g e m e n t o f S e r v i c e	\$ 2 0 . 0 0
A f f i d a v i t	\$ 2 0 . 0 0
A p p l i c a t i o n	\$ 4 0 . 0 0
A p p r a i s e m e n t	\$ 3 0 . 0 0
B o n d	\$ 5 0 . 0 0
C a v e a t a g a i n s t r e l e a s e	\$ 1 5 . 0 0
C l a i m f o r m i n r e m / i n p e r s o n a m	\$ 1 0 0 . 0 0
C o n s e n t t o r e l e a s e	\$ 1 5 . 0 0
J u d g m e n t i n D e f a u l t	\$ 2 0 . 0 0
L i m i t a t i o n C l a i m	\$ 1 0 0 . 0 0
N o t i c e s	\$ 2 0 . 0 0
P r a e c i p e f o r c a v e a t / r e l e a s e	\$ 3 0 . 0 0
P r e l i m i n a r y A c t	\$ 5 0 . 0 0
R e l e a s e	\$ 1 0 0 . 0 0
R e q u e s t	\$ 1 0 . 0 0
S e a r c h (p e r f i l e)	\$ 5 . 0 0
U n d e r t a k i n g	\$ 2 0 . 0 0
W a r r a n t o f A r r e s t	\$ 1 5 0 . 0 0
W a r r a n t (o t h e r)	\$ 1 0 . 0 0
F o r f i l i n g a n y o t h e r d o c u m e n t o r m a t t e r n o t h e r e i n s p e c i f i e d	\$ 2 0 . 0 0

SCHEDULE 4
(rule 6)

**NON-CONTENTIOUS PROBATE AND ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES
PROCEEDINGS FEES**

Non-Contentious Probate and Administration of Estates Filing Fees	
Documents	Fees
Application for grant of Probate	\$100.00
Application for grant of Letters of Administration	\$100.00
Every Affidavit filed	\$100.00
Declaration as to Value of the Estate (If the value exceeds \$5,000)	\$1000.00
Declaration as to Value of the Estate – If the value is \$5000 and under, except in the case of the Territory of the Virgin Islands, fees will be as follows –	\$100.00
Below \$10,000.....\$ 200.00	
\$10,001 - \$50,000\$ 500.00	
\$ 50,001 - \$250,000.....\$ 750.00	
\$250,001- \$500,000\$1,000.00	
\$500,001- \$1,000,000.....\$1,200.00	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000\$2,000.00	
Over \$5,000,000\$5,000.00	
Order	\$100.00
Grant of Probate or Letters of Administration	\$100.00
Certificates (Birth, Death, Marriage per certificate)	\$10.00
Newspaper Advertisements on filing	\$10.00
Renunciation	\$100.00

Reason for Delay	\$100.00
Last Will and Testament	\$25.00
Entry of a Caveat	\$200.00
Renewal of Caveat	\$100.00
Issue of Warning for Caveat	\$100.00
Issue of Citation	\$200.00
Appearance to Warning or Citation	\$20.00
Search	\$10.00
Application for Resealing Grant	\$200.00
Oath	\$20.00
Marking of Will at Registry	\$20.00
Exhibits (deed, paper, memorandum etc.)	\$20.00
Witness Summons	\$20.00
Acknowledgment of Service	\$20.00
On filing, production or copy of any document for which no fee is specifically provided	\$50.00

SCHEDULE 5
(rule 7)
COURT OF APPEAL
(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS) FEES

Court of Appeal	
Document/Process	Fees
Civil	
Notice of Appeal –	
Value of claim up to \$100,000	\$200.00
Value of claim \$100,001 - \$500,000	\$300.00
Value of claim more than \$500,001	\$600.00
Where no value of claim is ascertained	\$200.00
Counter Notice/Cross Appeal	\$150.00
Amended Notice of Appeal	\$50.00
Core Bundle	\$100.00
Record of Appeal (up to 100 pages)	\$100.00
Record of Appeal (from 101-200 pages)	\$150.00
Record of Appeal (exceeding 200 pages)	\$200.00
Case stated on question of law	\$100.00
Affidavit	\$20.00
Application	\$40.00
Motion for leave to appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council/Her Majesty in Council	\$150.00
Motion for final leave to appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council/Her Majesty in Council	\$50.00
Settling the Record of Appeal for the Privy Council	\$100.00

Certifying any document	\$25.00
Copy of Judgment, Order, or Certificate of result or another document filed	\$1.00
Search (per file)	\$10.00
Skeleton Arguments/Submission Not exceeding 15 pages.	\$50.00
Skeleton Arguments/Submissions exceeding 15 pages	\$50.00 Plus \$1 per additional page
Notice of Opposition	\$15.00
Certificate of Exhibits	\$15.00
On filing every document or exhibit for which no special fee is provided	\$20.00
Orders	\$25.00
Criminal	
Document/Process	Fees
Notice of Appeal	\$5.00
Skeleton Arguments (NOT exceeding 10 pages)	\$20.00
Skeleton Arguments (exceeding 10 pages)	\$30.00
Application	\$10.00
On filing every document or exhibit for which no special fee is provided	\$10.00

SCHEDULE 6
(rule 8(1))

**TRANSCRIPT OF COURT PROCEEDINGS
(CIVIL PROCEEDINGS) FEES**

Transcript Rates	Original Per page	First Copy to Each Party Per page	Each Additional Copy to the Same Party Per page
30 Day Transcript A transcript to be delivered within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of an order.	\$6	\$5	\$3
14 Day Transcript A transcript to be delivered within fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of an order.	\$8	\$6	\$3
7 Day Transcript A transcript to be delivered within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of an order.	\$10	\$8	\$5
Daily Transcript A transcript to be delivered following adjournment and prior to the normal opening hour of the court on the following morning whether or not it is a business day.	\$12	\$10	\$7
Hourly Transcript A transcript of proceedings ordered under unusual circumstances to be delivered within two (2) hours.	\$15	\$12	\$9

<p>Real time Transcript A draft unedited transcript produced by a certified real time reporter as a byproduct of real time to be delivered electronically during proceedings or immediately following adjournment.</p>	<p>One feed, \$3.00 per page; two-to-four feeds, an additional \$2.00 per page; five or more feeds, an additional \$1.50 per page</p>	
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SCHEDULE 6

(rule 8(2))

**TRANSCRIPT OF COURT PROCEEDINGS
(CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS) FEES**

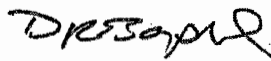
Transcript Rates	Original Per page	First Copy to Each Party Per page	Each Additional Copy to the Same Party Per page
30 Day Transcript A transcript to be delivered within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of an order.	\$2	\$1	\$1
14 Day Transcript A transcript to be delivered within fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of an order.	\$4	\$2	\$1
7 Day Transcript A transcript to be delivered within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of an order.	\$5	\$3	\$2
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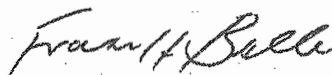
Made this 26th day of September, 2017.



DAME JANICE PERREIRA
Chief Justice.



DAVIDSON KELVIN BAPTISTE
Justice of Appeal.



FRANCIS BELLE
High Court Judge.

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