

United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of Georgia

Payment of Filing Fees

Please note that cash payments are not accepted at the Clerk's Office during COVID-19 courthouse restrictions. Pursuant to the Court's March 20, 2020 Public Notice, parties may use U.S. Bankruptcy Court first floor drop boxes to make payments by money order and cashier's check. Instructions and envelopes are provided at drop box locations.

- Filing fees are due at the time that a petition or document is filed with the Court.
- Absent a judicial waiver, attorney filers are required to pay fees electronically through pay.gov.
Exception: A represented debtor may pay the initial case filing fee through his/her attorney, by money order or certified check, or by cash payment delivered to the Clerk's Office in the exact amount. The Clerk's Office does not make change. Please do not send cash through the mail.
- *Pro se* filers may pay filing fees in the form of a money order or certified check. The Clerk's Office also will accept personal checks of pro se filers, with the exception of debtors with active bankruptcy cases. A *pro se* filer may pay in cash if it is delivered to the Clerk's Office in the exact amount.
- Any payment by money order/check must be made payable to:

Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Schedule of Fees - Effective December 1, 2020

Filing Fees	Amount
Chapter 7 Case	\$338
Chapter 9 Case	\$1738
Chapter 11 Case - Non-Railroad	\$1738
Chapter 11 Case - Railroad	\$1571
Chapter 12 Case	\$278
Chapter 13 Case	\$313
Chapter 15 Case	\$1738
Conversion Fees	
Chapter 7 to Chapter 12 or 13	none
Chapter 7 to Chapter 11 (Non-Railroad)	\$922
Chapter 7 to Chapter 11 (Railroad)	\$755
Chapter 11 to Chapter 7	\$15
Chapter 11 to Chapter 12 or 13	none
Chapter 12 to Chapter 7	\$60
Chapter 12 to Chapter 11	none
Chapter 13 to Chapter 7	\$25
Chapter 13 to Chapter 11 (Non-Railroad)	\$932
Chapter 13 to Chapter 11 (Railroad)	\$765
Chapter 13 to Chapter 12	none
Motion to Reopen Fees	
Reopen Chapter 7	\$260
Reopen Chapter 9	\$1,167

Reopen Chapter 11 (Non-Railroad)	\$1,167
Reopen Chapter 11 (Railroad)	\$1,000
Reopen Chapter 12	\$200
Reopen Chapter 13	\$235
Reopen Chapter 15	\$1,167

Situations where the Debtor is exempt from paying the reopening fee:

- 1) Reopening to permit a party to file a complaint to obtain a determination under Rule 4007(b) (determination of dischargeability of a debt);
- 2) Reopening case when a creditor is violating the terms of the discharge under 11 U.S.C. section 524;
- 3) Request for discharge in an individual Chapter 11 case;
- 4) To correct an administrative error, or to redact a record already filed in a case, pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9037, if redaction is the only reason for reopening;
- 5) When a party files a motion to reopen to request withdrawal of unclaimed funds, unless the Court orders otherwise.

Joint Case Split Fees

Chapter 7	\$338
Chapter 11	\$1,738
Chapter 12	\$278
Chapter 13	\$313

Fees on Motions

Amendment - Schedules D, E and F only, list of creditors, matrix or mailing list	\$32
Motion for Relief from Stay**	\$188
Motion for Withdrawal of Reference	\$188
Motion to Compel Abandonment of Property	\$188
Motion to Sell Property of the Estate Free and Clear of Liens	\$188
Motion to Redact (per affected case)	\$26

**Exceptions to the fee on Motions for Relief from Stay:

- 1) No charge if accompanied by a consent order;
- 2) No charge to child support creditor (with proper documentation);
- 3) No charge for co-debtor stays filed under U.S.C. Subsections 1201 and 1301.

Appeal and Adversary Proceeding Fees

Appeal to U.S. District Court (Includes statutory \$5 fee when notice of appeal is filed)	\$298
Cross Appeal to U.S. District Court (Includes statutory \$5 fee when notice of appeal is filed)	\$298
Request for Direct Appeal to Court of Appeals	\$298
If request is granted, additional direct appeal fee is due/payable	\$207
Request for Direct Cross Appeal to Court of Appeals	\$298
If request is granted, additional direct cross appeal fee is due/payable	\$207
Adversary Proceeding	\$350

Exceptions to the Fee on Adversary Proceedings:

- 1) No charge to the debtor;
- 2) No charge to U.S. Agencies;
- 3) No charge to trustee or debtor-in-possession (if estate does NOT exist) except in Chapter 11 cases;
- 4) No charge to child support creditor (with proper documentation).

Miscellaneous Fees

Attorney Admission (Pro Hac Vice) - payable to US Bankruptcy Court	\$200
Filing any document not in a case (Foreign Judgment/Miscellaneous Papers)	\$49
Returned Payment (Insufficient Funds)	\$53
Transfer of Claim	\$26

Copy/Service Fees

Copy Fee (per page)	\$0.50
Electronic Public Access Fee (per page)	\$0.10
Certification Fee (per document)	\$11
Exemplification Certification Fee (per document)	\$23
Record Retrieval – one box (off-site)	\$64
Record Retrieval – each additional box	\$39
Electronic Record Retrieval	\$19.90 plus \$0.65 per page
Records Search (on-site)	\$32
Reproduction of Record (audio tape or CD)	\$32
Reproducing and transmitting a copy of a record in electronic format (per record provided)	\$31