

No. 1982-5

AN ACT

HB 554

Establishing fees to be charged by the Registers of Wills of counties of the first class.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "First Class County Register of Wills Fee Bill Act."

Section 2. Fees established generally.

The fees to be charged by the Registers of Wills of counties of the first class shall be as established in this act.

Section 3. Specific fees.

(a) The following fees shall be charged for the granting of letters testamentary and of administration based upon the size of the estate:

Estates not exceeding \$250.....	\$ 10
Over \$250, but not exceeding \$1,000.....	25
Each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, but not exceeding \$10,000.....	10
Over \$10,000, but not exceeding \$50,000.....	150
Over \$50,000, but not exceeding \$200,000.....	225
Over \$200,000, but not exceeding \$300,000.....	300
Each additional \$100,000 or fraction thereof over \$300,000.....	75

(b) The following fees shall be charged for the filing, advertising and adjudication of the accounts of executors and administrators:

Estates not exceeding in value \$1,000.....	\$ 10
Each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, not exceeding \$10,000.....	5
Over \$10,000, not exceeding \$25,000.....	100
Over \$25,000, not exceeding \$100,000.....	200
Over \$100,000, not exceeding \$500,000.....	300
Over \$500,000, not exceeding \$1,000,000.....	400
Each additional \$500,000 or fraction thereof, over \$1,000,000.....	300

(c) In addition to the fees provided in subsections (a) and (b), an additional 10% fee shall be imposed on the granting of such letters and on filing, advertising and adjudication of such accounts pursuant to and for the purposes stated in section 24(d)(1)(iv) of the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.586, No.142), known as the "Judiciary Act of 1976."

(d) The following fees shall be charged for the indicated miscellaneous activity or function:

Affidavit as to testamentary witnesses, each.....	\$ 2
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Caveat, filing and entering security.....	12
Informal caveat.....	6
Perfected caveat.....	6
Certification of any record.....	2
Certifying record to orphans' court on appeal.....	25
Citation.....	12
Commission to take testimony of witness.....	12
Commission to registers in Pennsylvania to take testimony of witness.....	12
Copy of any record, per page.....	2
Execution of commission from registers in Pennsylvania.....	15
Exemplification of any record.....	5
Filing foreign fiduciary affidavit in relation to debts in estates of nonresident decedents.....	7
Filing and entering bond where additional security required.....	7
Inventory.....	6
Each additional page.....	2
Petition to amend or revoke decree and letters.....	6
Recording exemplified copies of letters of administration from other states, where letters of administration are not required to be issued.....	12
Recording exemplified copies of wills from other states, where letters testamentary, or of administration, c. t. a. are not required to be issued; not exceeding ten pages.....	12
Each additional page.....	2
Renunciation.....	2
Short certificate.....	2
Subpoena.....	2
Waiver of bond.....	2
Section 4. Additional fees.	

The Register of Wills of a county of the first class is authorized to establish fees for services required by Statute or Rule of Court which are not specifically provided in this act. Any additional fees shall be the same as those imposed for similar services as provided in this act.

Section 5. Repeals.

All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

Section 6. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 30 days.

APPROVED—The 5th day of February, A. D. 1982.

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