

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO**

**IN RE THE MATTER OF COMPENSATION )  
OF OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS ) JOURNAL ENTRY  
FOR TRANSCRIPTS AND COPIES )**

Effective January 1, 2007, the Judges of the Common Pleas Court of Lake County, Ohio hereby establish the per page compensation of official court reporters for transcripts and copies as follows, to be paid in the manner provided by law.

1. The court hereby fixes the compensation of court reporters (employees and independent contractors) for making transcripts from indigent criminal cases, from audio recordings of court proceedings, from grand jury proceedings, and for all other court-ordered transcripts.

2. The court reporter shall be paid for transcripts (per page) according to the court’s Indigent Rate Schedule (set forth below) in the following types of cases:

(A) In indigent criminal cases where the court hires the court reporter as an independent contractor or as an employee, and the court reporter had the benefit of computer-aided transcription equipment or attended the hearing or proceeding;

(B) In any case where the court orders a transcript from an independent contractor for the use of the court or for the use of the parties.

<b>TRANSCRIPTS ON INDIGENT CRIMINAL CASES OR ORDERED BY AND FOR THE USE OF THE COURT</b>	<b>Ordinary Delivery</b>	<b>Expedited Delivery (within 72 hours)</b>	<b>Same Day Delivery (if feasible)</b>
<i>Original</i>	\$2.50	\$3.00	\$3.75
<i>Copy to same side</i>	\$0.50	\$0.60	\$0.70
<i>Additional copy to same side</i>	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40
<i>First copy to other side</i>	\$1.70	\$2.50	\$2.75
<i>Second copy to other side</i>	\$0.50	\$0.60	\$0.70
<i>Additional copy to other side</i>	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40

3. The court reporter shall be paid for transcripts (per page) according to the court’s Audio Recording Rate Schedule (set forth below) in the following types of cases:

(A) Notwithstanding the Indigent Rate Schedule, in cases where the court hires the court reporter as an independent contractor or as an employee, and the court reporter did not have the benefit of computer-aided transcription equipment or did not attend the hearing or proceeding, and the court reporter therefore transcribes the record directly from an audio recording made by the court;

(B) In cases where the court reporter transcribes directly from an audio recording made by the court, the court reporter shall be deemed – by accepting the undertaking – to have waived any claim of copyright in the transcripts produced from the court’s audio recordings.

<b>TRANSCRIPTS FROM AUDIO RECORDING OF PROCEEDING (INCLUDING GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS)</b>	<b>Ordinary Delivery</b>	<b>Expedited Delivery (within 72 hours)</b>	<b>Same Day Delivery (if feasible)</b>
<i>Original</i>	\$3.50	\$4.00	\$4.75
<i>Copy to same side</i>	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
<i>Additional copy to same side</i>	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50
<i>First copy to other side</i>	\$2.00	\$2.75	\$3.25
<i>Second copy to other side</i>	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
<i>Additional copy to other side</i>	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50

4. Instead of using the Indigent Rate Schedule or the Audio Recording Rate Schedule, the court may, at its option, hire individuals as independent contractors, or through temporary employment agencies, to transcribe at an hourly rate not to exceed \$25.00 per hour (measured in increments not greater than one-quarter hour), and court equipment may be used by such transcribers to produce transcripts and copies. Such transcribers shall be deemed – by accepting the undertaking – to have waived any claim of copyright in the transcripts produced from the court’s audio recordings.

All transcripts shall be on an 8.5 x 11 inch page, 25 lines per page, with proper indentation. A half page or less shall be charged at \$1.50 for the original and first copy.

There shall be no charge by a court reporter employed by the court for any transcript requested by a judge of this court.

Done and ordered in chambers at Painesville, Ohio, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2006.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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**JUDGE PAUL H. MITROVICH**, Presiding  
General Division

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**JUDGE EUGENE A. LUCI**, Administrative  
General Division

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**JUDGE RICHARD L. COLLINS JR.**  
General Division

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**JUDGE COLLEEN A. FALKOWSKI**  
Domestic Relations Division

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**JUDGE WILLIAM W. WEAVER**  
Juvenile Division

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**JUDGE TED KLAMMER**  
Probate Division

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**JUDGE VINCENT A. CULOTTA**  
General Division

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