

633.31 Calendar — court costs in probate.

1. The clerk shall keep a court calendar, and enter thereon such matters as the court may prescribe.

2. The clerk shall charge and collect the following court costs in connection with probate matters:

- a. For services performed in short form probates pursuant to [sections 450.22](#) and [450.44](#) for deaths occurring before January 1, 2025..... \$ 15.00
- b. For services performed in probate of will without administration \$ 15.00
- c. For filing and indexing a transcript \$ 50.00
- d. For taking and approving a bond, or the sureties on a bond \$ 20.00
- e. For entering a rule or order \$ 10.00
- f. For certificate and seal \$ 10.00
- g. For making a complete record where real estate is sold per 100 words \$.20
- h. For making a transcript or copies of orders or records filed in the clerk’s office ... per 100 words \$.50
- i. For certifying change of title \$ 20.00
- j. For issuing commission to appraisers \$ 2.00

3. a. For other services performed in a decedent’s estate administered under [this chapter](#) or [chapter 635](#), the clerk shall charge and collect court costs equal to two-tenths of one percent of the value of the probate assets listed in the report and inventory.

b. Court costs shall not be charged or collected under [this subsection](#) on assets which are not probate assets including but not limited to the following:

- (1) Joint tenancy property.
- (2) Property transferred during the decedent’s lifetime.
- (3) Life insurance, annuities, individual retirement accounts, retirement plans, transfer on death accounts, payable on death accounts, and similar assets payable to beneficiaries other than the estate of the decedent.
- (4) Real estate not located in Iowa.

c. Court costs shall not be charged or collected on assets transferred to an estate from a conservatorship that has been administered in the state and for which court costs have been charged and collected from the conservatorship under [subsection 4](#).

4. For other services performed in a conservatorship, the clerk shall charge and collect court costs equal to two-tenths of one percent of the gross value of the assets listed in the inventory minus the value of the life insurance.

5. Court costs collected under [this section](#) shall be deposited in the account established under [section 602.8108](#).

[C97, §3269; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §11844; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, §632.13; C66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §633.31]

[83 Acts, ch 186, §10124, 10201](#); [88 Acts, ch 1258, §3](#); [89 Acts, ch 207, §2](#); [94 Acts, ch 1074, §12, 13](#); [96 Acts, ch 1129, §113](#); [99 Acts, ch 56, §3](#); [2004 Acts, ch 1120, §7](#); [2007 Acts, ch 180, §3](#); [2009 Acts, ch 179, §64, 72](#); [2021 Acts, ch 160, §1 – 3](#); [2025 Acts, ch 148, §39, 53, 54](#)

2025 amendment to subsection 2, paragraph a applies retroactively to January 1, 2025, to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2025; 2025 Acts, ch 148, §54
Subsection 2, paragraph a amended