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MEMORANDUM

To: Attorneys and Parties Commencing Civil Actions

From: 67th District Court, Genesee County Probate and Circuit Courts

Re: Civil Action Fee Increase

Date: 2.4.16

The Michigan legislature recently passed a bill which authorizes courts to participate in electronic filing. The legislation requires courts to collect an "electronic filing system fee," in addition to the existing filing fee when commencing a civil action.

Pursuant to MCL 600.1986, courts are required to collect the additional fee, irrespective of whether the action is electronically filed. The effective date is March 1, 2016.

The electronic filing system fee will be imposed as follows:

- \$25 for civil actions filed in the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Circuit Court, Probate Court and Court of Claims.
- \$10 for civil actions filed in the District Court, including summary proceedings actions.
- \$20 for civil actions filed in the District Court if a claim for money damages is joined with a claim for relief other than money damages.
- \$5 for civil actions filed in the small claims division of the District Court.

Attached to this memo is a communication from *Milton L. Mack, Jr. State Court Administrator*, entitled *Frequently Asked Questions: Electronic System Fee Legislation*, which may be of interest.