Fee Waiver Form

Fill out this form at the beginning of your case so that you don't have to pay court fees.



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APPLICATION TO WAIVE COURT COSTS AND FEES

am the: (check one)				
(Your Name)				
 □ Plaintiff/Petitioner □ Defendant/Respondent □ Guardian respectfully ask that I not be required to pay court feet	☐ Filer ☐ Intervenor/Proposed Intervenor ☐ Other: ☐ on this case for the following reason(s):			
. I, or my dependent, receive financial help from (check all that apply)	one or more of the following programs:			
 □ Child Care Subsidy/Voucher Program □ Close Relative Caregiver Pilot Program (CRCP) □ Domiciliary Care for Homeless Veterans (DCHV) □ Free and Reduced-priced Meals (FARM) □ General Assistance for Children (GAC) □ Grandparent Caregivers Program (GCP) □ Head Start Program □ Health Care for Homeless Veterans (HCHV) □ Home First Subsidy Program □ Homeless Veteran Community Employment Services Program (HVCES) □ Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP) □ Interim Disability Assistance (IDA) □ Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) □ Local Rent Supplement Program (LRSP) □ Medicaid or D.C. HealthCare Alliance □ Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) □ Program on Work, Employment, and 	 □ Public Housing □ Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program (QMB) □ Rapid Rehousing Program (RRH) including Flex and CareerMap □ Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly Program □ Section 811 Housing for Persons with Disabilities Program □ Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) □ Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC) □ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) □ Supplemental Security Income (SSI) □ Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) □ Targeted Affordable Housing (TAH) □ Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) □ U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Affairs – Veterans' Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Program 			

(If you checked any of the boxes in Question 1 - STOP and do not answer Questions 2 through 9. Go directly to the Declaration section on page 3. If you did not check any of the boxes in Question 1, go to Question 2.)

2. I am represented free of charge by a legal services or other nonprofit organization whose primary purpose is to provide legal services to low-income clients, or by a legal clinic operated by a law school located in the District of Columbia that provides legal services to low-income clients. (See Appendix for a list of organizations and law schools.)
☐ Yes. Name of Organization:
(If you answered yes to Question 2 - STOP and do not answer Questions 3 through 9. Instead, go directly to the Declaration section on page 3.)
□ No (If no, answer Question 3.)
3. I believe that my monthly income does not exceed 200% of the federal poverty guidelines issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (See Appendix).
☐ Yes. My monthly income is \$ and I have people (including me) in my family/household
(If you answered yes to Question 3 - STOP and do not answer Questions 4 through 9. Go directly to the Declaration section on page 3.)
□ No (If no, answer Questions 4 through 9.)
4. I am presently:
\square employed. My annual salary is \$
□ unemployed. The last date I worked was, (Month) (Year)
5. The number of people who depend on me for financial support: Of those, are minor children or elderly.
6. I have a total of \$ in cash, including money in bank accounts.
7. I own the following vehicles, real estate, or other valuable property: (list all items)
8. This is my best estimate of the monthly expenses for me and the people who depend on me for financial support:

Expense	Monthly Amount
Housing (such as rent, mortgage, taxes, insurance):	\$
Utilities (such as gas, electric, water, phone, internet):	\$
Food and household necessities:	\$
Child-related expenses (such as childcare, diapers):	\$
Health (such as medical, prescriptions, dental, vision, insurance):	\$
Transportation (such as vehicle loan, gas, insurance, metro, buses):	\$
Other debt and expenses:	\$
Total Estimated Monthly Expenses:	\$

9. Other circumstances that I want the judge to consider in support of my request are: (explain any other reasons, such as any child support orders, large monthly expenses, debt wage or bank account garnishments, or judgments)						
	DECLARATIO	N				
include 180 days in jail o	n under criminal penalties for t r a \$1,000 fine or both, that I h in it are true to the best of my	ave read this Application	n and that the			
Signature		Date				
Street Address		Telephone				
City, State, Z	ip Code	Email addre	Email address			
To be	completed by Superior	Court Staff Only				
This Application to Waive	Court Costs and Fees has be	een reviewed and approv	ved by:			
Signature	Printed Name	Title	Date			

Appendix to Application to Waive Cost and Fees

I. Law Schools

American University Washington College of Law
Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law
George Washington University Law School
Georgetown University Law Center
Howard University School of Law
University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law

II. Examples of Legal Service Organizations

Advocates for Justice and Education

Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center

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Bread for the City Legal Clinic

Capital Area Immigrants' Right Coalition Catholic Charities Legal Network of the

Archdiocese of Washington

Central American Resource Center

Children's Law Center Christian Legal Aid of DC DC Bar Pro Bono Center

DC Kincare Alliance DC Volunteer Lawyers' Project

Disability Rights DC at University Legal Services

First Shift Justice Project Human Rights First

Legal Aid DC

Legal Counsel for the Elderly Mother's Outreach Network

Neighborhood Legal Services Program

Network for Victim Recovery DC

Open City Advocates

Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia

Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities

Rising for Justice Safe Sisters Circle School Justice Project The Amara Legal Center

Tzedek DC, Inc

US Committee for Refugee & Immigrant Children Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights &

Urban Affairs

Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless Whitman-Walker Clinic Legal Services Program

III. U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines¹

The secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services establishes the Federal Poverty Guidelines annually. The chart below outlines the maximum monthly income per household size based on 200% of the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines for 2024.

Household Size	Maximum Monthly Income
1	\$2,510
2	\$3,407
3	\$4,303
4	\$5,200
5	\$6,097
6	\$6,993
7	\$7,890
8	\$8,787
9	\$9,683
10	\$10,580
11	\$11,477
12	\$12,373
13	\$13,270
14	\$14,167

¹ 89 Fed. Reg. 2961 (Jan. 17, 2024); D.C. Code § 15-712(a)(1)(C).

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