

Part 6—Compensation and Expenses of Litigation.

7-601. Compensation of personal representative and special administrator.

(a) *Every personal representative and special administrator is entitled to reasonable compensation for his services. If a will provides a stated compensation for the personal representative he shall be entitled to additional compensation if the provision is insufficient in the judgment of the Court. The personal representative or special administrator may, at any time, renounce all or any part of any right to compensation.*

(b) *Unless the will provides a larger measure of compensation, upon petition filed in reasonable detail by the personal representative or special administrator the Court may allow such commissions as it shall deem appropriate but which shall not exceed those computed in accordance with the following table:*

<i>If the property subject to administration is:</i>	<i>The commission shall not exceed:</i>
<i>Not over \$20,000.....</i>	<i>10% thereof.</i>
<i>Over \$20,000</i>	<i>\$2,000 plus 4% of the excess over \$20,000.</i>

A personal representative or special administrator may, within thirty (30) days, appeal such allowance to the Circuit Court, which shall determine the adequacy of the commissions and increase (but not in excess of the above schedule) or decrease them, as the case may be. For the purposes of this subsection (b) of Section 7-601 only, the phrase "property subject to administration" shall not include real property or income therefrom, and shall not be affected by expenses or charges attributable thereto.

(c) *In the event of a sale of real property by the personal representative, the Court, upon petition filed in reasonable detail, may allow such commission, if any, on the proceeds of such sale as it shall deem appropriate but which shall not exceed ten percent (10%) thereof.*

7-602. Compensation for attorney's services.

(a) *Generally. An attorney is entitled to reasonable compensation for legal services rendered by him to the estate ~~or~~ AND/OR to the personal representative.*

(b) *Petition. Upon the filing of a petition in reasonable detail by the personal representative, or by the attorney, the Court may allow a counsel fee to an attorney employed by the personal representative for legal services, which compensation shall be fair and reasonable in the light of all the circumstances to be considered in fixing the same.*

(c) *Considered with commissions. If the Court shall allow a counsel fee to one or more attorneys it shall take into consideration, in making such determination, what would be a fair and reasonable total charge for the cost of administering the estate under this Article, and it shall not allow aggregate compensation in excess of that figure.*