

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

7-402.

(a) A sheriff shall collect the following fees:

(1) \$5 for service of summary ejectment papers.

(2) \$15 for service of a paper not including an execution or attachment.

(3) \$15 for service including an execution or attachment by taking into custody a person or seizing real or personal property.

(4) \$15 for service of process papers arising out of administrative agency proceedings where the party requesting the service is a nongovernmental entity.

(5) For the sale following the execution or attachment of personal property: Three percent of the first \$5,000; two percent of the second \$5,000; and one percent of any amount in excess of \$10,000. The sheriff shall collect a minimum of \$3 and a maximum of \$500 under the provisions of this paragraph.

(6) For the sale following the execution or attachment of real property: One and one-half percent of the first \$5,000; one percent of the second \$5,000; and one-half of one percent of any amount in excess of \$10,000. The sheriff shall collect a minimum of \$1.50 and a maximum of \$250 under the provisions of this paragraph.

(b) (1) If the sheriff incurs expenses for the purpose of conserving or protecting the seized property, [he] THE SHERIFF shall be reimbursed for the expense.

(2) IF THE SHERIFF OF WASHINGTON COUNTY INCURS EXPENSES FOR SEIZING PROPERTY, THE SHERIFF SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR FOR THE REASONABLE EXPENSES.

(c) If the sheriff is unable to serve a paper, the full fee shall be refunded to the party requesting the service.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 17, 1988.