

(5) IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT THE PUBLIC DEFENDER IS ENTITLED TO A LIEN, THE COURT SHALL DETERMINE THE REASONABLE VALUE OF THE SERVICES RENDERED TO THE INDIGENT INDIVIDUAL.

(D) RECORDING OF LIENS.

(1) ON ADJUDICATION, A LIEN SHALL BE FILED OR DOCKETED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OR DISTRICT COURT WHERE THE SERVICES WERE PERFORMED OR WHERE THE INDIGENT INDIVIDUAL WORKS OR RESIDES.

(2) THE LIEN SHALL:

(I) CONSTITUTE A LIEN ON THE INDIGENT INDIVIDUAL'S PROPERTY FOR 10 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF FILING OR DOCKETING UNLESS THE LIEN IS DISCHARGED SOONER; AND

(II) HAVE THE FORCE AND EFFECT OF A JUDGMENT AT LAW.

(3) (I) THE CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS AND THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL PROVIDE SEPARATE BOOKS TO RECORD LIENS UNDER THIS SECTION.

(II) THE BOOKS SHALL BE PROPERLY INDEXED IN THE NAME OF THE DEBTOR.

(III) THE PUBLIC DEFENDER MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY FILING OR RECORDING FEES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27A, § 7(d) and (e).

Throughout this section, the defined term "indigent individual" is substituted for the former reference to a "defendant" to reflect that these subsections apply to indigent individuals who are involved in juvenile or family court proceedings as well as in criminal proceedings.

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to "real or personal property" is substituted for the former reference to "any and all real property or personal" for brevity.