

FY 2016 Judiciary Fee Proposal											
Judiciary's Fiscal Impact Estimate - April 2015											
Current Law					FY16 Judiciary Fee Proposal						
Fee Name/ Description	Statutory Reference	Current Fee	# Of filings - FY14	Current FY16 Projected Revenue	Proposed Fee Increase	Proposal - # of filings	Proposal - Total Revenue	Proposal - Change vs Current Revenue	Explanation/Comments	Fee Level Percent Increase	Fund of Deposit
<b>GENERAL FUND PROPOSAL</b>											
<b>PROBATE FEES:</b>											
Entry Fees for Estates \$10,000 or less	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(1)	\$ 30	2,156	\$ 64,667	\$ 50	2,156	\$107,779	\$ 43,111	Proposed fee increase	66.7%	General
Entry Fees for Estates \$10,001 to \$50,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(2)	\$ 80	418	\$ 33,416	\$ 110	418	\$45,947	\$ 12,531	Proposed fee increase	37.5%	General
Entry Fees for Estates \$50,001 to \$150,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(3)	\$ 210	366	\$ 76,877	\$ 265	366	\$97,011	\$ 20,134	Proposed fee increase	26.2%	General
Entry fee for Estates \$150,001 to \$500,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(4)	\$ 395	458	\$ 180,806	\$ 500	458	\$228,869	\$ 48,062	Proposed fee increase	26.6%	General
Entry Fees for Estates \$500,001 to \$1,000,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(5)	\$ 660	82	\$ 54,275	\$ 1,000	82	\$82,234	\$ 27,960	Proposed fee increase	51.5%	General
Entry fee for Estates \$1,000,001 to \$5,000,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(6)	\$ 1,050	44	\$ 46,250	\$ 1,500	44	\$66,071	\$ 19,821	Proposed fee increase	42.9%	General
Entry fee for Estates \$5,000,001 to \$10,000,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(7)	\$ 1,575	2	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000	2	\$3,810	\$ 810	Proposed fee increase	27.0%	General
Entry fee for Estates greater than \$10,000,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(8)	\$ 1,840	3	\$ 5,250	\$ 2,500	3	\$7,133	\$ 1,883	Proposed fee increase	35.9%	General
Testamentary Trust \$100,000 or less	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(9)	\$ 160	31	\$ 4,950	\$ -	-	\$0	\$ (4,950)	Eliminate prior two tiers	-100.0%	General
Testamentary Trusts more than \$100,000	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(10)	\$ 265	32	\$ 8,550	\$ -	-	\$0	\$ (8,550)	Eliminate prior two tiers	-100.0%	General
NEW Trusts \$10,000 or less	NEW	\$ -			\$ 50	12	\$600	\$ 600	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
NEW Trusts \$10,001 to \$50,000	NEW	\$ -			\$ 110	11	\$1,210	\$ 1,210	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
NEW Trusts \$50,001 to \$150,000	NEW	\$ -			\$ 265	10	\$2,650	\$ 2,650	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
NEW Trusts \$150,001 to \$500,000	NEW	\$ -			\$ 500	8	\$4,000	\$ 4,000	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
NEW Trusts \$500,001 to \$1,000,000	NEW	\$ -			\$ 1,000	7	\$7,000	\$ 7,000	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
NEW Trusts \$1,000,001 to \$5,000,000	NEW	\$ -			\$ 1,500	6	\$9,000	\$ 9,000	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
NEW Trusts \$5,000,001 to \$10,000,000	NEW	\$ -			\$ 2,000	5	\$10,000	\$ 10,000	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
NEW Trusts greater than \$10,000,000	NEW	\$ -			\$ 2,500	4	\$10,000	\$ 10,000	New tier structure parallels estates	#DIV/0!	General
Testamentary Trusts Annual Accounts	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(11)	\$ 35	427	\$ 14,962	\$ 85	427	\$36,335	\$ 21,374	Proposed fee increase	142.9%	General
Annual Accounts on Estates	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(11)	\$ 35	540	\$ 18,909	\$ 85	540	\$45,921	\$ 27,013	Proposed fee increase	142.9%	General
Annual accounts on decedent's estates filed for any period ending more than one year following the opening of the estate	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(12)	\$ 30	0	\$ -	\$ 85	-	\$0	\$ -	Proposed fee increase	183.3%	General
Adoptions	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(13)	\$ 100	248	\$ 24,842	\$ 150	248	\$37,262	\$ 12,421	Proposed fee increase	50.0%	General
Guardianships for Minors	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(15)	\$ 90	347	\$ 31,185	\$ 150	347	\$51,975	\$ 20,790	Proposed fee increase	66.7%	General
Guardianships for Adults	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(16)	\$ 105	384	\$ 40,274	\$ 150	384	\$57,535	\$ 17,260	Proposed fee increase	42.9%	General
Petition for Change of Name	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(17)	\$ 135	444	\$ 59,963	\$ 150	444	\$66,626	\$ 6,663	Proposed fee increase	11.1%	General
Filing of Will for Safekeeping	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(18)	\$ 25	1,745	\$ 43,621	\$ 30	1,745	\$52,345	\$ 8,724	Proposed fee increase	20.0%	County
Corrections for Vital Records	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(20)	\$ 30	110	\$ 3,300	\$ 150	110	\$16,500	\$ 13,200	Proposed fee increase	400.0%	General
Orders of Authorization	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(21)	\$ 30	0	\$ -	\$ 50	-	\$0	\$ -	Proposed fee increase	66.7%	General
Conveyances of Title to real estate pursuant to 14 V.S.A. §1801	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(22)	\$ 55	25	\$ 1,375	\$ 100	25	\$2,500	\$ 1,125	Proposed fee increase	81.8%	General
Petition concerning Advanced Directives pursuant to 18 V.S.A Chapter 107, subchapter 3	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(23)	\$ 80	0	\$ -	\$ 100	-	\$0	\$ -	Proposed fee increase	25.0%	General
Civil actions brought pursuant to Subchapter 3 of Chapter 107 of Title 18	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(24)	\$ 55	0	\$ -	\$ 100	-	\$0	\$ -	Proposed fee increase	81.8%	General
Petitions for Partial Decree	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(25)	\$ 105	204	\$ 21,398	\$ 105	204	\$21,398	\$ -	No change	0.0%	General
Petitions for Licenses to Sell Real Estate	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(26)	\$ 55	529	\$ 29,080	\$ 100	529	\$52,872	\$ 23,792	Proposed fee increase	81.8%	General
Relinquishments separate from adoptions	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(14)	\$ 100	0	\$ -	\$ 100	-	\$0	\$ -	No change	0.0%	General
Petitions for Minor Settlements	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(27)	\$ 30	46	\$ 1,380	\$ 90	46	\$4,140	\$ 2,760	Proposed fee increase	200.0%	General
Filing of subsequent will for safe keeping, same probate division or transfer to another	32 V.S.A. § 1434(a)(19)	\$ 15	386	\$ 5,794	\$ 30	386	\$11,589	\$ 5,794	Proposed fee increase	100.0%	County
<b>Subtotal - all Probate</b>			<b>9,026</b>	<b>\$ 774,124</b>		<b>9,026</b>	<b>\$ 1,140,314</b>	<b>\$ 366,190</b>			
Less County revenues											
<b>Subtotal Net General Fund impact</b>			<b>6,895</b>	<b>\$ 724,709</b>		<b>6,895</b>	<b>\$ 1,076,380</b>	<b>\$ 351,671</b>			
<b>PLUS NEW PROBATE FEES:</b>											
NEW - Filing fee for Trust motions	NEW	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ 105	204	\$21,420	\$ 21,420	Assume same pattern as petitions for partial decrees		General
NEW - Petitions for Licenses to Sell PERSONAL PROPERTY	NEW	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ 100	529	\$52,872	\$ 52,872	Assume same pattern as petitions for licenses to sell real estate		General
<b>Subtotal - new items</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>\$ -</b>		<b>733</b>	<b>\$74,292</b>	<b>\$ 74,292</b>			
<b>SUBTOTAL PROBATE</b>			<b>6,895</b>	<b>\$ 724,709</b>		<b>\$ 7,628</b>	<b>\$ 1,150,672</b>	<b>\$ 425,963</b>			
NEW - In Forma Pauperis - minimum copay	NEW	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ 10	3,500	\$35,000	\$ 35,000	Applies to all filings and motions subject to fee schedule	#DIV/0!	General
NEW - CIVIL Petitions for Minor Settlements	NEW	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ 90	15	\$1,350	\$ 1,350	Creates parallel "minor settlement" filing in Civil	#DIV/0!	General
<b>TOTAL - GENERAL FUND FEE CHANGES</b>			<b>6,895</b>	<b>\$ 724,709</b>		<b>11,143</b>	<b>\$1,187,022</b>	<b>\$ 462,313</b>			

FY 2016 Judiciary Fee Proposal											
Judiciary's Fiscal Impact Estimate - April 2015											
COURT TECHNOLOGY FUND FEES											
Current Law					FY 16 Judiciary Fee Proposal						
Fee Name/ Description	Statutory Reference	Current Fee	# Of filings - FY14	Current FY16 Projected Revenue	New Proposed Tech Fund surcharge	Proposal - # of filings	Proposal - Total Revenue	Proposal - Change vs Current Revenue	Explanation/Comments	Combined Fee plus Surcharge	Fund of Deposit
<b>NEW COURT TECHNOLOGY SURCHARGE</b>											
Filing Fee, Supreme Court	32 V.S.A. § 1431(a)	\$ 265	152	\$ 40,363	\$ 30.00	152	\$ 4,569	n/a	Supreme Court Filing Fee	\$ 295.00	Special
Filing Fee, Superior Court	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(1)	\$ 265	5,420	\$ 1,436,283	\$ 30.00	5,420	\$ 162,598	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 295.00	Special
Superior Court - Tax Appeal to the Superior Court	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(1)	\$ 265	-	\$ -	\$ 30.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee - Additional Surcharge	\$ 295.00	Special
Filing Fee for entry of Divorce, Annulment or Dissolution of Civil Union and Legal Separation (none for counterclaim) without Stipulation - Vermont Resident	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(2)	\$ 265	-	\$ 399,669	\$ 30.00	1,508	\$ 45,246	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 295.00	Special
Filing Fee for entry of Divorce, Annulment or Dissolution of Civil Union and Legal Separation (none for counterclaim) with stipulation - Vermont Resident	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(2)	\$ 80	-	\$ -	\$ 10.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 90.00	Special
Filing Fee for entry of Divorce, Annulment or Dissolution of Civil Union and Legal Separation (none for counterclaim) with Stipulation - Non-Resident	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(2)	\$ 160	-	\$ -	\$ 20.00	-	\$ -	n/a		\$ 180.00	Special
Parentage or Desertion & Support without stipulation	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(3)	\$ 105	-	\$ -	\$ 15.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 120.00	Special
Parentage or Desertion & Support with stipulation	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(3)	\$ 30	-	\$ -	\$ 5.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 35.00	Special
Motion to Enforce Parental Rights & Responsibilities, Parent/Child Contact, Property Division, or Maintenance without stipulation	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(4)	\$ 80	-	\$ 105,521	\$ 10.00	1,319	\$ 13,190	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 90.00	Special
Motion to Enforce Parental Rights & Responsibilities, Parent/Child Contact, Property Division, or Maintenance with stipulation	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(4)	\$ 30	-	\$ -	\$ 5.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 35.00	Special
Motion to Vacate or Modify Parental Rights and Responsibilities, Parent/Child Contact or Maintenance without stipulation	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(4)	\$ 105	-	\$ -	\$ 15.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 120.00	Special
Motion to Vacate or Modify Parental Rights and Responsibilities, Parent/Child Contact or Maintenance with stipulation	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(4)	\$ 30	-	\$ -	\$ 5.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 35.00	Special
Motion to Vacate or Modify Child Support without stipulation (No Fee with Stipulation)	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(5)	\$ 40	-	\$ -	\$ 5.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 45.00	Special
Registration of Child Custody from another state	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(6)	\$ 80	-	\$ -	\$ 10.00	-	\$ -	n/a		\$ 90.00	Special
Registration of child custody from another state unless simultaneous motion to enforce, in addition to fee in subsection (4)	32 V.S.A. § 1431(b)(6)	\$ 35	-	\$ -	\$ 5.00	-	\$ -	n/a		\$ 40.00	Special
Small Claims Entry Fee for a claim of more than \$1,000 to \$5,000	32 V.S.A. § 1431(c)(1)	\$ 80	2,141	\$ 171,244	\$ 10.00	2,141	\$ 21,406	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee	\$ 90.00	Special
Small Claims Entry Fee for a claim of \$1000 or less	32 V.S.A. § 1431(c)(1)	\$ 55	887	\$ 48,776	\$ 10.00	887	\$ 8,868	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee	\$ 65.00	Special
Small Claims Post judgment: Motion	32 V.S.A. § 1431(c)(1)	\$ 55	1,176	\$ 64,704	\$ 10.00	1,176	\$ 11,764	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee	\$ 65.00	Special
Small Claims Counterclaim for more than \$500 to \$5000	32 V.S.A. § 1431(c)(1)	\$ 30	91	\$ 2,745	\$ 5.00	91	\$ 457	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee	\$ 35.00	Special
Small Claims Counterclaim for \$500 or less	32 V.S.A. § 1431(c)(1)	\$ 20	-	\$ -	\$ 5.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee	\$ 25.00	Special
Supreme and Superior Court-Subsequent pleading which sets forth a claim for relief: appeal, cross-claim, third-party claim	32 V.S.A. § 1431(d)	\$ 105	-	\$ -	\$ 15.00	-	\$ -	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee	\$ 120.00	Special
Superior Court - Subsequent pleading which sets forth a claim for relief: Counter Claim Filing Fee	32 V.S.A. § 1431(d)	\$ 80	191	\$ 15,310	\$ 10.00	191	\$ 1,914	n/a	Civil Division Filing Fee	\$ 90.00	Special
Magistrate Appeal	32 V.S.A. § 1431(d)	\$ 105	20	\$ 2,100	\$ 15.00	20	\$ 300	n/a	Family Division Filing Fee	\$ 120.00	Special
Civil Suspension (Waived for State, assessed against respondent if denies and requests hearing and the state prevails)	32 V.S.A. § 1431(d)	\$ 80	753	\$ 60,235	\$ 10.00	753	\$ 7,529	n/a	Criminal Division Filing Fee	\$ 90.00	Special
Post-judgment Motions (Civil, Criminal, Environmental Divisions), including motions to reopen civil suspensions and motions for sealing or expungement in Criminal Division	32 V.S.A. § 1431(e)	\$ 80	250	\$ 19,972	\$ 10.00	250	\$ 2,496	n/a	Court Filing Fee	\$ 90.00	Special
Filing Fee, Judicial Bureau (waived for state, assessed against respondent if denies and requests hearing and the state prevails)	32 V.S.A. § 1431(f)	\$ 55	-	\$ -	\$ 10.00	-	\$ -	n/a		\$ 65.00	Special
Post Judgment Motions- Judicial Bureau	32 V.S.A. § 1431(g)	\$ 40	-	\$ -	\$ 5.00	-	\$ -	n/a		\$ 45.00	Special
Appeal from Judicial Bureau	32 V.S.A. § 1431(g)	\$ 105	97	\$ 10,213	\$ 15.00	97	\$ 1,459	n/a	Criminal Division Filing Fee	\$ 120.00	Special
NEW - CIVIL Petitions for Minor Settlements	NEW	\$ 90	-	\$ -	\$ 10.00	15	\$ 150	n/a	Creates parallel "minor settlement" filing in Civil	\$ 100.00	Special
<b>SUBTOTAL - NEW COURT TECHNOLOGY SURCHARGE</b>			<b>14,006</b>	<b>\$ 2,377,134</b>		<b>14,021</b>	<b>\$ 281,947</b>				
<b>COURT TECHNOLOGY FEE INCREASES:</b>											
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Fee: Failure to answer, Judicial Bureau	4 V.S.A. § 1105(b)	\$ 20	16,565	\$ 331,300	\$ 30	16,565	\$496,950	\$ 165,650	Not responding to Traffic Complaint	50.0%	Special
Fee: Failure to pay judgment, Judicial Bureau	4 V.S.A. § 1109(b)	\$ 30	16,995	\$ 509,850	\$ 40	16,995	\$679,800	\$ 169,950	Not paying a default judgment within 30 days	33.3%	Special
<b>GRAND TOTAL - COURT TECHNOLOGY FEES</b>								<b>\$ 617,547</b>			