

Legislation Text

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Amending Section 10-1001, entitled "Fees of Commissioner of Records," of The Philadelphia Code.
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 10 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulation of Individual Conduct and Activity," is amended to read as follows:

TITLE 10. REGULATION OF INDIVIDUAL CONDUCT AND ACTIVITY

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Chapter 10-1000. FEES

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§10-1001. Fees of Commissioner of Records.

(1) [In addition to any surcharge imposed under subsection 10-1001(2)] *Unless otherwise specified by law*, the fees to be charged and collected by the Commissioner of Records shall be as follows:

(a) for recording deeds, \$[19.50]46.00;

[(b) for registration of deeds which the Commissioner of Records is required to register or have registered, \$5.00 for each description in such deed, in addition to the recording fee;]

[[c]b) for recording mortgages, *mortgage satisfaction pieces, the release and assignment of mortgages, notary public commissions, City, county, or special police officer commissions, powers of attorney, and any other instrument of writing, including filings under the Uniform Commercial Code*, \$[19.50]41.00;

[(d) for recording commission with bond and oath for notary public, City or county officer, \$12.00, special police officer, \$9.00;

(e) for certification of special police officer's oath, \$2.00;

(f) for recording mortgage satisfaction piece, sixteen dollars and fifty cents (\$16.50), plus five (\$5.00) dollars per notation;

(g) for recording assignment of mortgages, \$19.50;

(h) for recording release of mortgage, \$19.50;

(i) for recording all other instruments of writing, including filings under the Uniform Commercial Code, \$14.50;

(j) for a search of Uniform Commercial Code records, per debtor named, \$10.00;

(k) for initial receipt and examination of any instrument affecting real estate, five (\$5.00) dollars for each description in such instrument, in addition to any other fee under this Section;

(l) for receipt of any instrument resubmitted after return for non-compliance with form or content requirements, two (\$2.00) dollars for each instrument, in addition to the fee for initial submission and any other fee under this Section;]

[(m)c] the fees for [services] *recording documents* not herein specifically provided for shall be the same as for similar [services] *documents*, as nearly as can be practically ascertained;

[(n) for noting any instrument of record, \$5.00;]

[(2) Bulk filings.

(a) For purposes of this Section, "Bulk Filing" means the presentation for recording by one individual or organization of twenty-five (25) or more documents during one calendar week.

(b) In addition to any other fees imposed for recording documents, the Commissioner of Records shall charge and collect a surcharge on all Bulk Filings of \$6.00 per document in excess of twenty-five (25), or such other surcharge (including, but not limited to, a surcharge on each of the first twenty-five (25) documents of a Bulk Filing) as the Commissioner of Records determines by regulation is reasonably necessary to reimburse the City for the costs of processing Bulk Filings.

(c) The surcharge shall be payable upon presentation of the documents for recording. If for any reason the surcharge is not paid at the time of presentation (including the fact that it was not apparent at the time of presenting the document that the filing would qualify as part of a Bulk Filing), then the surcharge must be paid upon presentation of any subsequent document for recording.]

[(3)2] All fees shall be exclusive of any tax or any fee payable to [the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania] *any state or federal government entity* now or hereafter provided by law which the Commissioner of Records is or shall be required to collect [on behalf of the Commonwealth].

SECTION 2. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be July 3, 2000, unless the Department

of Records determines by regulation that it necessary to delay or accelerate the effective date.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.