



OFFICE OF THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder Fee Schedule

Effective **January 1, 2018**

All fees shown are for transactions completed in person in one of our offices. Additional mail handling fees may apply for services marked with a *.

Document Recording Fees

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
Base Recording Fees		
Base Fee	Per document where all pages measure 8-1/2" x 11 (GC 27361, 27397, 37361.4)	\$14.00
Each Additional Page	per additional page (GC 27361)	\$3.00
Building Homes & Jobs Act Fee	Per Document Title, fee will be charged at the time of recording/filing any real estate instrument, paper or notice except those expressly exempted. The fee shall not exceed \$225.00 per transaction. Building Homes & Jobs Act. (GC 27388.1)	\$75.00
Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Trust Fund Fee	Per Document, when a document evidencing a Real Estate Instrument is presented for recordation, an additional recording fee is charged (GC 27388).	\$10.00
Combined Documents	Whenever two or more instruments, papers, or notices are serially incorporated on one form or sheet, or are attached to one another, except as an exhibit marked as such, each instrument, paper, or notice shall be considered to be a separate instrument, paper, or notice for the purpose of computing the recording fee.(GC 27361.1)	varies
Additional Recording Fees		
Transfer Tax	Documentary Transfer Tax Affidavit is required if Transfer Tax is not being paid. (Tax Rate R&T 11911)	\$0.55 per \$500
Nonconforming Fee	Each page when document, signed on or after 07/01/1994 contains any page(s) <u>not</u> 8.5 by 11 inches in size (not to exceed 8.5 by 14 inches) (GC 27361)	\$3.00
Indexing Fee (more than 10 names)	Where additional names are required to be indexed, there will be a charge for each group of 10 names or fractional portion thereof after the initial group of 10 names. (GC 27361.8)	\$1.00
Indexing Fee (more than 1 recording reference)	Per reference (after the first one), which requires additional indexing. (GC 27361.2)	\$1.00
Monument Survey	See Monument Survey Guidelines and Monument Survey Fee Schedule (GC 27585)	\$10.00
Preliminary Change of Ownership Report (Fee in Lieu of)	When a document evidencing change of ownership is presented for recordation without the concurrent filing of a preliminary change of ownership (PCOR), an additional recording fee is charged (R&T 480.3b)	\$20.00
Penalty Print	Consists of wording added to the printed form that is spaced either more than nine lines per vertical inch, has more than 22 characters and spaces per inch measured horizontally, for not less than three inches in one sentence. (GC 27361)	\$1.00
Preliminary 20 Day Notice		\$42.00

Document Recording Fees continued...

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
Financing Statement Recording Fees		
UCC-1 & UCC-3 1-2 pages	Per document (GC 27388, 12194, 27397)	\$21.00
UCC-1 & UCC-3 3 or more pages	Per document (GC 27388, 12194, 27397)	\$31.00
Building Homes & Jobs Act Fee	Per document, fee will be charged at the time of recording/filing any real estate instrument, paper or notice except those expressly exempted. The fee shall not exceed \$225.00 per transaction. Building Homes & Jobs Act . (GC 27388.1)	\$75.00
Lien Recording Fees		
Involuntary Lien (abstract of judgement)	1st page, include lien notification	\$40.00
Involuntary Lien (abstract of judgement)	each additional page	\$3.00
Involuntary Lien (abstract of judgement)	each additional debtor	\$7.00
Release of Lien, encumbrance of notice	executed by the state or any municipality, county, city, district or other political subdivision	\$12.00
Release of Lien, encumbrance of notice	recorded in ERROR by the state or any municipality, county, city, district or other political subdivision	\$0.00
Federal Tax lien or release	includes notice of lien or certificate, or notice affecting lien	\$14.00
Release of Judgment	in favor of a government agency	\$12.00
Building Homes & Jobs Act Fee	Per document, fee will be charged at the time of recording/filing any real estate instrument, paper or notice except those expressly exempted. The fee shall not exceed \$225.00 per transaction. Building Homes & Jobs Act . (GC 27388.1)	\$75.00
Map Recording Fees		
Recording or Filing, and indexing each Map	1 page, subdivision and parcel maps	\$49.00
Recording or Filing, and indexing each Map	1 page, all other maps	\$35.00
Building Homes & Jobs Act Fee	Per map, fee will be charged at the time of recording/filing any real estate instrument, paper or notice except those expressly exempted. The fee shall not exceed \$225.00 per transaction. Building Homes & Jobs Act (GC 27388.1)	\$75.00
Each Additional map page	per each additional page; all maps	\$7.00
Map Certification	per map	\$9.00

Official Record Copies and Certification Fees*

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
Official Record Copy	hardcopy, per document (GC 27364)	\$10.00
Official Record Certification	signed official seal; per document (GC 27364)	\$2.00
Conformed Copy		\$2.00
Certified Copy of DD214 for Military Personnel	discharge, certificate of service, certificate satisfactory service, report of separation, or notice of separation	\$0.00
Digital Images of Official Records	subscription service to FTP site; fee per business day	\$33.00

Vital Records (Birth, Death and Marriage) Fees*

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
Birth Certificate Certified Copy	Public	\$28.00
Birth Certificate Certified Copy	Government	\$19.00
Birth Certificate Certified Copy	Childrens Support Enforcement by District Attorney	\$0.00
Death Certificate Certified Copy	Public and Government	\$21.00
Fetal Death Certificate Certified Copy	Public	\$18.00
Marriage Certificate Certified Copy	Public	\$15.00
Marriage Certificate Certified Copy	Government	\$11.00

Marriages License and Ceremony Fees

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
Public Marriage License	(GC 26840.3 & 26840.7)	\$100.00
Confidential Marriage License	(GC 26840.1, 26840.3 & 26840.8)	\$111.00
Marriage Declaration	Santa Barbara County	\$110.00
Marriage Declaration	Other County	\$121.00
Non-Clergy Marriage License		\$105.00
Expedite Recording		\$12.00
Duplicate Marriage License	(FC 360(c))	\$56.00
Amendment to Public Marriage	within 1 year of ceremony	\$0.00
Amendment to Public Marriage	1 year or more after ceremony, filed with State of California, \$20.00 filing fee paid to State.	0.00
Amendment to Confidential Marriage	in addition to copy order fee	\$35.00
Marriage Ceremony Reservation	Non-refundable	\$23.00
Civil Marriage Ceremony	at Clerk-Recorder's Office (GC 26861)	\$104.00
Civil Marriage Ceremony	Sunken Gardens or Mural Room (GC 26861)	\$116.00
Marriage ceremony Witness Fee	at Clerk-Recorder's Office (GC 54985)	\$51.00
Notary Public Application/Renewal	Approval to Authorize Confidential Marriages	\$300.00
Deputy Commissioner of Civil Marriages	Oath and Appointment (GC 54985)	\$51.00

Fictitious Business Names Filing Fees*

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
New or Renewal Filing	1 business name and 1 registrant (BPC 17929(a))	\$47.00
Additional Business Name	Additional fee per each additional business name	\$5.00
Additional Registrant	Additional fee per each additional registrant (BPC 17929(b))	\$5.00
Abandonment/Withdrawal Filing	Per Filing (BPC 17929(c), BPC 17929(d))	\$30.00
Regular FBN Copy	Per Copy without Search	\$5.00
Certified FBN Copy	Per Copy without Search (BPC 17926(b))	\$7.00
Search Fee	Per Search	\$7.00
FBN List	Monthly CD, additional mail fees apply	\$51.00
FBN List	hard copy list, additional mail fees and per page copy fee \$.05	\$12.00

Miscellaneous Clerk Filing and Registration Fees

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
Notary Public Fees		
Notary Public Bond Filing	Plus recording fees (see County Recorder – Recording Fees section). (GC 26849.1)	\$37.00
Notary Certificate of Filing	includes search	\$14.00
Notary Journal Receipt	If Requested	\$2.00
Notary Journal Search		\$9.00
Notary Journal Copy	per page copy fee	\$0.50
Domestic Partnership Fees		
Domestic Partnership Filing	Includes certificate	\$49.00
Amendment or Termination Filing		\$32.00
Certificate Copy		\$12.00
Re-Issuance of a Domestic Partnership		\$30.00
Surety Filing Fees		
Power of Attorney Filing	cancellation/revocation/withdrawal/annulments (GC 26855.1, GC 26855.3)	\$12.00
Power of Attorney Filing	per each additional name designated	\$2.25

Miscellaneous Clerk Filing and Registration Fees continued...

Fee Title	Detail	Fee
Surety Filing Fees continued...		
Financial Statement Filing	per filing (GC 26855.2)	\$14.00
Certificate of Authority Filing	per filing	\$14.00
Registration Fees		
Process Server Registration and ID	Plus recording fees (see County Recorder – Recording Fees section). (GC 26849.1) (BPC 22352 – 22353)	\$114.00
Professional Photocopier Registration	Plus recording fees (see County Recorder – Recording Fees section). (GC 26849.1). (BPC 22453 - 22453.1)	\$175.00
Professional Photocopier Registration	If also a process server. Plus recording fees (see County Recorder – Recording Fees section). (GC 26849.1)	\$100.00
Unlawful Detainer / Legal Document Assistant	Plus recording fees (see County Recorder – Recording Fees section). (GC 26849.1). (BPC 6404, BPC 6405(c))	\$175.00
Additional ID Cards	per card	\$14.00
Additional laminated ID Cards	per card	\$19.00
Canceling, Revoking, or Withdrawing	per registration	\$21.00
Miscellaneous Clerk Filing, Copy and Certification Fees		
Clerk file copy	per record, includes search; additional \$0.50 per page copy fee	\$12.00
Clerk Certification	signed official seal (GC 26833)	\$2.00
Clerk Translation Verification		\$23.00
Clerk Filing Confirmation Certificate		\$14.00
Public Official Certificate	Notary Public Verification; Certificate to Official Capacity (GC 26852)	\$14.00
Miscellaneous Clerk Filing and Indexing	For which a charge is not elsewhere provided, other than papers filed in actions or special proceedings, official bonds or certificates of appointment (GC 26850)	\$16.00

Mailing Handling Fees

When ordering services or copies by mail you must choose a return method and include the additional mail fee in your payment.

Return Method	Type of Fee	Fee
USPS First Class Mail	Per Order	\$2.00
USPS Express Mail	Per Order	\$23.50
Express Mail handling fee – If customer provides a pre-paid express mail envelope	Per Order	\$5.00

Payment Methods

We accept the following payment methods:

Check or Money Order made payable to Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder
 Credit Card: Visa, MasterCard, and Discover (**American Express NOT accepted**)
 We also accept cash in our offices, please do not send cash through the mail.

A \$49.00 NSF fee added for any check that is returned without payment.

Mailing Address

Mailed in transactions are not processed in the Santa Maria Office. **All Mail must be addressed to one of the following:**

Regular Mail:

Santa Barbara Clerk-Recorder
 P.O. Box 159
 Santa Barbara, CA 93102-0159

Express or Courier Service Mail

Santa Barbara Clerk-Recorder
 Hall of Records
 1100 Anacapa St
 Santa Barbara, CA 93101



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Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Trust Fund Fee Documents

Pursuant to government Code Section 27388 and County Resolution 13-249 adopted by the Board of Supervisors on October 15, 2013, the Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Trust Fund fee is \$10.

The \$10.00 fee is collected on the following document titles:

- Abstract of Judgment
- Affidavit (all types)
- Assignment of Deed of Trust
- Assignment of Lease
- Assignment of Rents
- Construction Deed of Trust
- Covenants, Condition and Restrictions
- Declaration of Homestead
- Deed of Trust
- Easement
- Lease
- Lien
- Lot Line Adjustment
- Mechanic's Lien
- Modification of Deed of Trust
- Notice of Completion
- Notice of Default
- Notice of Rescission of Declaration of Default
- Notice of Trustee's Sale
- Quitclaim Deed
- Reconveyance
- Release (i.e. Acknowledgment of Satisfaction of Judgment)
- Request for Notice of Default
- Subordination Agreement
- Substitution of Trustee
- Trustee's Deed Upon Sale
- UCC's (all types)
- Any of these titles being re-recorded

The Real Estate Fraud fee does not apply to any real estate instrument, paper, or notice accompanied by a declaration stating that the transfer is subject to a documentary transfer tax, is recorded concurrently with a transfer subject to a documentary transfer tax, or is presented for recording within the same business day as, and is related to the recording of, a transfer subject to a documentary transfer tax (AB 661).

JOSEPH E. HOLLAND
County Clerk-Recorder

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Chief Deputy Clerk-Recorder



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1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

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OFFICE OF THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

11/30/2017

TO: All Document Recording Customers

FROM: Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder

SUBJECT: Building Homes and Jobs Act (SB 2) Fee

The California Legislature passed and the Governor signed Senate Bill 2, Chapter 2.5 of the Statutes of 2017 changing that, effective January 1, 2018, recordable documents may be charged a fee to support the Building Homes and Jobs Act.

The bill imposes a mandate on County Recorders to charge an additional \$75 at the time of recording every real estate instrument, paper, or notice required or permitted by law to be recorded, except those expressly exempted from payment of recording fees, per each transaction per parcel of real property, not to exceed \$225.

Customers who believe documents are to be exempt from the \$75 Building Homes and Jobs Act fee must have an exemption on the face of the document, or on the cover page, prior to depositing with the Recorder. The following exemptions may apply:

- Exempt from fee per GC 27388.1 (a) (2): recorded concurrently "in connection with" a transfer subject to the imposition of documentary transfer tax, **or**
- Exempt from fee per GC 27388.1 (a) (2): recorded concurrently "in connection with" a transfer of real property that is a residential dwelling to an owner-occupier, **or**
- Exempt from fee per GC 27388.1 (a) (1): fee cap of \$225 reached, **or**
- Exempt from fee per GC 27388.1 (a) (1): a document not relating to real property

Failure to include an exemption reason will result in the imposition of the \$75 Building Homes and Jobs Act fee. Fees collected are deposited with the state and may not be available for refund.

California Government Code § 27388.1 Buildings Homes and Jobs Act Fee Grid

DOCUMENTS W/Exemption	
1 document, 1 document title = \$0 No DTT (Documentary Transfer Tax) TOTAL - \$0	All documents which have a valid exemption stated on the face of the document are exempt and NO fee will be assessed.
INDIVIDUAL & CONCURRENT DOCUMENTS- DTT PAID	
1 document, 1 document title = \$0 DTT Paid TOTAL - \$0	Any document with paid DTT is exempt and NO fee will be assessed.
4 documents each with 1 document title = \$0 DTT Paid on one document TOTAL - \$0	Any document(s) submitted in the same transaction "in connection with" documents that has DTT paid are exempt and NO fee will be assessed.
INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENTS- NO DTT	
1 document, 1 document title = \$75 No DTT TOTAL - \$75	1 st title charged \$75 includes any parcel
1 document, 2 document titles = \$150 No DTT TOTAL = \$150	
1 document, 4 document titles = \$225 No DTT TOTAL = \$225	\$75 cannot be assessed on remaining documents, titles or parcels because the cap is reached.
CONCURRENT DOCUMENTS	
3 documents, 3 document titles = \$225 No DTT TOTAL = \$225	
4 documents, 5 document titles = \$225 No DTT TOTAL = \$225	\$75 cannot be assessed on remaining documents, titles or parcels because the cap is reached.
No CAP – Unrelated Documents	
5 documents– 1 title each No DTT, non-related, but sent in together, TOTAL: \$75.00 x 5 = \$375.00	Because these documents are unrelated, each will be charged the \$75. For example, 5 lien releases mailed in together with 5 different names.

NOTES:

- NOTE:** The definition of a parcel is, "a piece of land of any size that is in one ownership." (1984, American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers; The Dictionary of Real Estate Appraisal). Recorders do not have the capability to decipher or interpret parcel information as this is not a function of the Recorder. As such, the Association has determined SB2 fees will be calculated as one parcel being the same as one transaction with the single charge of \$75.
- Transaction is defined and "refers to an instrument, paper or notice presented together and related to the same parties and property." (CRAC)
- Calculation per title - GC § **27361.1**, states in part: "Whenever two or more instruments, papers, or notices are serially incorporated on one form or sheet, or are attached to one another, except as an exhibit marked as such, each instrument, paper, or notice shall be considered to be a separate instrument, paper, or notice for the purpose of computing the fee established by § 27361 of this code."