

Service of Process fees in S.C. and other Southeastern states

Included in the Secretary of State's (SoS) January 17, 2020 letter to the House Legislative Oversight Committee (LOC). This information was provided in response to the following question in LOC's December 12, 2019, letter to the SoS: "47. Please provide a table listing the fee for service of process in South Carolina and comparable fees in other Southeastern states.⁸"

In addition to providing the information in this document, SoS provided the following response:

- Please see the table of the fees for service of process in the Southeastern states, including South Carolina, that is provided in Attachment L.

ATTACHMENT L

Service of Process Fees by State

State	Fee	Office
Alabama	Unclear	Secretary of State
Arkansas	\$25.00	Secretary of State
Florida	\$8.75	Department of State, Division of Corporations
Georgia	\$10.00	Secretary of State
Kentucky	\$10 (\$15.30 for restricted certified mail) (There is no fee for serving emergency protective orders or for petitioners proceeding in forma pauperis who submit proper documentation, signed by the judge, of pauper status.)	Secretary of State
Louisiana	\$50.00	Sheriff of East Baton Rouge Parish/Secretary of State
Mississippi	Unclear	Secretary of State
North Carolina	\$10.00	Secretary of State
South Carolina	\$10.00 (\$20.00 for nonprofits)	
Tennessee	\$20.00	Secretary of State
Virginia	\$30.00	Clerk of the State Corporation Commission
West Virginia	\$20.00 for each defendant located in the United States \$30.00 for each defendant located outside the United States Certified Copies: \$15.00 certification fee plus photocopy fee of \$1.00 for first page and \$0.50 for each additional page.	Secretary of State