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## Rule 4000 changes have been published in PA Bulletin

As a result of PCRA's ongoing representation on the Committee on Uniform Rules Governing Court Reporting and Transcripts, where we have tirelessly advocated for all court reporters in Pennsylvania, certain portions of Rule 4000 have been clarified. Of greatest importance is the Section 4000(D)(1), where COPY RATES FOR TRANSCRIPTS ARE LISTED.

This link will take you to the Rule in its entirety <https://www.pabulletin.com/secure/data/vol48/48-23/881.html>.

Below is Section 4000(D)(1), where copy rates are addressed. Changes are indicated in bold.

### ***(D) Copies of transcript***

***(1) A request for a copy of any transcript previously ordered, transcribed and filed of record shall [be provided according to the following schedule] not exceed:***

***[(1)] (a) \$0.75 per page bound, paper format; and,***

***[(2)] (b) \$0.50 per page electronic copy.***

***(2) A request for a copy of an expedited transcript shall not exceed:***

***(a) \$1.00 per page bound, paper format; and,***

***(b) \$0.75 per page electronic copy.***

***(3) A request for a copy of a daily transcript shall not exceed:***

***(a) \$1.25 per page bound, paper format; and,***

***(b) \$1.00 per page electronic copy.***

***(4) A request for a copy of a same day transcript shall not exceed:***

***(a) \$1.50 per page bound, paper format; and,***

***(b) \$1.25 per page electronic copy.***

### ***Comment***

***With respect to a non-party (i.e., general public) request for a [photocopy] copy of a transcript, Rule 4007(D)(4) anticipates that the filing offices of the judicial district are the proper custodians of court case records and transcripts. Rule [4008(D)] 4008(D)(1) provides that the cost charged to the public for a transcript copy that has been filed of record shall not exceed \$0.75 per page, regardless of the form or location in which the transcript is filed or stored. The copy rates in Rule 4008(D)(2), (3), and (4) reflect the additional work necessary to deliver a transcript on an expedited schedule, but once the original transcript is filed with the appropriate filing office, the copy rate in (D)(1) is to apply.***

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