

**Rule 4008. Transcript Costs Payable by a Requesting Party Other than the Commonwealth or a Subdivision Thereof**

(A) Costs

(1) The costs payable by a requesting party, other than the Commonwealth or a subdivision thereof, for a transcript in electronic format (.pdf) shall not exceed:

- (a) ordinary transcript, \$2.50 per page;
- (b) expedited transcript, \$3.50 per page;
- (c) daily transcript, \$4.50 per page; and
- (d) same day delivery, \$6.50 per page.

(2) When the transcript is prepared in bound paper format, the costs shall be in accordance with paragraph (1) relating to electronic format (.pdf) plus a surcharge of \$0.25 per page.

(3) A Complex Trial Surcharge of \$1.00 per page will be applied in cases such as mass tort, medical malpractice or other unusually complex litigation where there is a need for the court reporter to significantly expand his or her dictionary, when approved by the presiding Judge.

(B) Economic Hardship

(1) A Petition to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* shall be filed with the appropriate filing office (Prothonotary, Domestic Relations Prothonotary, Clerk of Courts or the Register of Wills/Clerk of the Orphans' Court) along with the Request for Transcript and Poverty Affidavit.

(2) Copies of the forms listed above shall be provided to:

- (a) the presiding judge;
- (b) the Chief Court Reporter; and
- (c) opposing counsel, or the opposing party if self-represented.

**[In forma pauperis and Poverty Affidavit Forms](http://www.buckscounty.org/CourtServices)** are available at **[www.buckscounty.org/CourtServices](http://www.buckscounty.org/CourtServices)**.

(C) When more than one ordering party requests a transcript, the transcript cost plus \$0.75 per page (paper format) and/or \$0.50 per page (electronic copy/.pdf) shall be divided equally among the ordering parties.

(D) A request for a copy of any transcript previously ordered, transcribed and filed of record shall be made by telephone, letter or email to the Chief Court Reporter and shall be provided at the cost of \$0.75 per page (paper format) and/or \$0.50 per page (electronic copy/.pdf).