

Virginia Judicial System Court Self-Help



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Circuit Court

About

There is a circuit court in each city and county in Virginia. The circuit court is the trial court with the broadest powers in Virginia. The circuit court handles all civil cases with claims of more than \$25,000. It shares authority with the general district court to hear matters involving claims between \$4,500 and \$25,000. The circuit court has the authority to hear serious criminal cases called felonies.

The circuit court also handles family matters, including divorce. In addition, the circuit court hears cases appealed from the general district court and from the juvenile and domestic relations district court.

- [Circuit Courts Informational Pamphlet](#)

Contact Information

- [All Circuit Courts](#)
- [Individual Circuit Court Homepages](#)
- [Map of Virginia's Judicial Circuits and Districts](#)

Case Status and Information

- [Circuit Court Case Information](#)
Online access to the case management system for selected Circuit Courts. Cases may be searched using name, case number, or hearing date.
- Fees
 - [Circuit Court Civil Filing Fee Calculation](#)
 - [Deed Calculation](#)
- [Circuit Court Records Information](#)
Online access to court records such as deeds, marriage licenses, judgments, and wills for selected courts.

[Forms](#)

Programs

- Foreign Language Services
- Circuit Court Mediation

Reference Materials

- Jury Service
 - The Answer Book for Jury Service

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