

**Cherokee Nation Code Annotated**

**Title 20: Courts**

**Appendix II. Court Rules for the District Court of Cherokee Nation**

**X. Court Fund**

**Rule 91. Claims allowable—Approval**

Cite as: 20 CNCA app. II, r. 91

Claims against the Court Fund shall include only such expenses as may be lawfully incurred for the operation of the Court. Payment of the expenses may be made after the claim therefor is approved by the Court Administrator.

The term "**expenses**" shall include the following items and none other:

1. compensation of staff;
2. juror and witness fees and mileage, as well as overnight accommodations and food expense for jurors kept together as well as compensation to a witness for attendance as set out in legislation as created by the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council, except that expert witnesses who appear on behalf of Cherokee Nation shall be paid a reasonable fee for their services from the Court Fund;
3. office supplies, books for records, postage and printing;
4. furniture, fixtures and equipment;
5. renovating, remodeling and maintenance of courtrooms, Judges' chambers, Clerks' offices and other areas primarily used for judicial functions;
6. judicial robes;
7. attorney fees for indigents in the Trial Court and on appeal;
8. transcripts ordered by the Court;
9. necessary telephone expenses, gas, water and electrical utilities for the part of the courthouse occupied by the Court;
10. the cost of publication notice in juvenile proceedings as provided in 10 CNCA § 1105 and in termination of parental rights proceedings brought by the Nation as provided in 10 CNCA § 1131;
11. interpreter fees; and
12. any other expenses now or hereafter expressly authorized by court rule and/or statute.

## Historical Data

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