

**11 NCAC 23B .0103 FILING FEES**

- (a) No tort claim shall be accepted for filing with the Commission unless the claim is accompanied by an attorney's check, certified check, money order, or electronic transfer of funds in payment of a filing fee in an amount equal to the filing fee required for the filing of a civil action in the Superior Court division of the General Court of Justice.
- (b) The provisions of Paragraph (a) of this Rule notwithstanding, a tort claim that is accompanied by a Petition to Sue as an Indigent shall be accepted for filing upon the date of its receipt.
- (c) A Petition to Sue as an Indigent shall consist of an affidavit sufficient to satisfy the provisions of G.S. 1-110, stating that plaintiff is unable to comply with Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) If the Commission determines the plaintiff is able to pay the fee assessed under this Rule, an Order shall be issued directing payment of that fee, and the plaintiff shall, within 30 days from receipt of the Order, forward to the Commission an attorney's check, certified check, money order, or electronic transfer of funds for the full amount required to be paid. Failure to submit the required amount of the filing fee within this time shall result in the tort claim being dismissed without prejudice.
- (e) Upon consideration of a prison inmate's Petition to Sue as an Indigent, the Commission shall determine whether the inmate's tort claim is frivolous and whether to dismiss the claim, pursuant to G.S. 1-110. Appeals from the dismissal of a frivolous tort claim pursuant to G.S. 1-110 shall proceed directly to the Full Commission and shall be decided without oral argument.

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