

Washington County District Court West Fork Division

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How often do you have court?

Arraignments are held the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursdays of the month at 2:30 p.m.

City Trials are held on the 1st Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m.

County & State Trials are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m.

Civil and Small Claims Trials are held on the 1st Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m.

Review Hearings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m.

What are the available methods of payment for fines?

Payments may be made by calling the courts at 479-839-3249 if you'd like to pay by debit or credit card (4.5% fee), mailing a money order or cashier's check to West Fork District Court, P O Box 339, West Fork, AR 72774 or by paying in person with cash, check or money order at the West Fork District Court, 262 W Main St, West Fork, AR 72774. You may also pay fines online at www.myfinepayment.com (higher fee).

Is there a fee for paying by credit or debit card online?

Payments made by credit or debit card are processed by a private company and the company does collect a fee. The District Court does not receive any portion of this nor any other fee charged to you besides your fine amount.

Is paying my fine through this "private" company safe?

Yes. When you make your payment, you will receive confirmation that it was made. If a question ever arises, simply provide a copy of the confirmation along with your credit or debit card statement and it will be resolved. Feel free to contact the Court directly and ask if it posted.

I received a ticket in West Fork, and I would like to go ahead and pay the fine. How long do I have to do that?

You have until the day of court listed on the front of the ticket. If not paid by then, you will have to appear before the judge.

I have a court date in West Fork, but I'm afraid that I don't have the money to pay the fine.

What can I do?

You should appear before the judge and explain your situation. The judge may allow you to make payments.

I forgot my court date or forgot to make my payment. Now what?

Now you have a warrant out for your arrest and most likely a suspended driver's license. You need to contact us immediately to receive a new court date and have the warrant served. If you failed to pay your fine, bond may be required.

I pled not guilty and would like to meet with the prosecuting attorney before trial. Can I do that?

Yes. The prosecutor will meet with each defendant before any trials actually begin. You may also have the option to call and settle matters over the phone. Please call us to find out if you can settle this way.