

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER STACI A. TURNER, M.D.

SEAN J. TINDELL COMMISSIONER

July 21, 2023

RE: Morgue Fee Increase

Dear Mississippi Coroners, Deputy Coroners, and County Board of Supervisors:

The State Medical Examiner's Office currently requires a morgue fee in the amount of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) when a case is received. Upon completion of the final autopsy report, an autopsy fee in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1000) is required by statute. (Miss. Code Ann. §§45-1-3, 45-1-21, 41-61-57)

With the increase of materials, supplies, and general overhead costs, we are informing you of a necessary impending price increase of services by the State Medical Examiner's Office.

The autopsy fee will remain one thousand dollars (\$1000); however, the morgue fee will increase to three hundred dollars (\$300) per case received, effective **January 1, 2024.** 

Any questions regarding account billing or accounts receivable may be directed to Stacy Jones, Administrator, State Medical Examiner's Office by email at <a href="mailto:sbjones@mcl.ms.gov">sbjones@mcl.ms.gov</a> or phone 601-420-9150.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Staci A. Turner, M.D. Chief Medical Examiner

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