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February 13, 2025

Christian County Commission
Attn: Janine Milner

To Whom It May Concern:

We have restructured our pricing in order to make billing more time efficient. I am attaching the 2023-2024 pricing so you can easily understand our new pricing and how it applies to Christian County. I am also attaching the letter that was sent to our coroners before their county budget meetings.

Our 2025 pricing is as follows:

#1 - \$2600 (This now includes the complete autopsy, the vitreous panel if necessary, carbon monoxide testing if necessary, the comprehensive drug panel, any special cultures, x-rays and histology with no extra fee for decomposed cases.)

#2 - \$1600 (This now includes the comprehensive drug panel and x-rays with an additional \$300 if bullet extraction is necessary.)

#3 - \$450 (Due to the presence of so many synthetic designer drugs, we are only doing the comprehensive drug panel. If synthetic designer drugs are presumptive on the comprehensive panel and need additional testing, the amount charged by AXIS will be billed.)

#4 – included in #1

#5 – included in #1

#6 – remains the same at \$1500

#7 - \$2500 (Infant autopsies [1 week of age to 12 months of age] are required by state law. All child autopsies up to age 18 are paid by the state as long as the necessary requirements are met.)

If you have any questions, please email me.

Sincerely,


Carla S. Yoder



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November 19, 2024

Dear Coroner:

This letter is to inform you of our pricing for 2025 as we know that you will soon need to turn your budget in for next year. We have changed a few things for this next year because there has been an issue in billing from one of our suppliers. Therefore, a full autopsy will now have a flat fee of \$2600 and will now include the vitreous panel and carbon monoxide testing in addition to the current comprehensive panel, any special cultures, x-rays and histology. There will no longer be a fee charged for decomposed cases. Toxicology (for synthetic drugs, poisons, etc.) will be charged at the amount charged by AXIS. External autopsies will be \$1600 and will include the comprehensive panel for toxicology testing as well as x-rays if needed. If a case requires an external with bullet extraction, an additional \$300.00 will be charged. This is ONLY on cases that are not a full autopsy. Tox only cases will remain \$450 for the comprehensive panel with special toxicology testing charged at the amount charged by AXIS. If only x-rays are necessary, the charge will be \$350.00. If only a bullet extraction is required, the charge will be \$300.

We feel that with a predominantly flat fee, it will be easier to keep the billing on a more current basis and we plan to start billing at the end of every month. We want to thank you for your continued trust and support in Southwest Missouri Forensics. We hope you have blessed year.

Sincerely,

Carla, Mandi & Shelby

SW MISSOURI FORENSICS			
	SERVICES	2023 PRICE	2024 PRICE
1	Forensic autopsy performed by a Board-Certified Forensic Pathologist	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,350.00
2	External Examination	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,500.00
3	Drug of Abuse Panel: Toxicology Fee only	\$ 350.00	\$ -
4	Comprehensive Drug Panel		\$ 450.00
5	X-ray of decedents when necessary and required by the state on all infant deaths.	\$ 300.00	
6	Forensic dental exam with anthropolgy for identification purposes or bones/skull/dental records	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
7	Child death, forensic autopsy, performed by a board-certified child death Forensic Pathologist	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00