

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING  
FILING A PETITION FOR  
REFEREE HEARING**

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2004**

Michigan law requires that the Lenawee County Clerk's Office must collect an order entry fee in some circumstances. **This fee is in addition to the \$20.00 filing fee which is now required by law. This new fee will be required as follows:**

- The fee is required whenever a judgment or post-judgment order establishes or modifies custody, parenting time, or child support.
- The fee is \$40.00 if the judgment or post-judgment order involves only child support.
- The fee is \$80.00 if the judgment or post-judgment order involves custody or parenting time.
- The fee is \$80.00 if the judgment or post-judgment order involves both support and custody or parenting time.
- Payment of the \$40.00 or \$80.00 fee for post-judgment orders will be required upon filing of a motion. This includes all post-judgment motions heard by a referee.
- The fee may be waived in some circumstances.

If you are filing a judgment or motion in person, the Lenawee County Clerk's office will determine what fee if any is required. **If you intend to file a motion post-judgment through the mail you will need to include the \$20.00 filing fee and any other fees that are required with your motion.** Please consider the above information in determining the appropriate fee to be included so you will avoid any unnecessary delay. If you have any questions or need further information, you may contact the Friend of the Court office.