

**ESTATES AND PROTECTED INDIVIDUALS CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 386 of 1998**

**700.3917 Duties of county treasurer.**

Sec. 3917. (1) The county treasurer shall receive and safely keep money deposited under authority of this act in a separate fund and keep a separate account for each distributee or claim. The county treasurer shall deposit the money in a county depository at the current rate of interest, shall pay out from the fund upon the order of the court, and shall turn over any surplus left in the treasurer's hands at the termination of the treasurer's term of office to the treasurer's successor. The county treasurer shall, at the end of each year, render to the court, and to the county board of commissioners, a true account of that money.

(2) For the care of the money received under authority of this act, the county treasurer may take 1% from the different amounts paid out under court order unless the amount paid out to a single individual exceeds \$1,500.00, in which case the county treasurer shall take \$15.00 plus 1/2 of 1% of the excess of the amount over \$1,500.00.

(3) A person entitled to the money may petition the court having jurisdiction for an order directing the county treasurer to pay over money that is deposited with the county treasurer. On receiving the petition, the court shall make an order as to notice of the hearing as the court considers proper. On satisfactory proof being made to the court of the claimant's right to the money, the court shall order the county treasurer to pay the money and interest earned on the money, less the fee of the county treasurer, to the claimant.

(4) If a person whose whereabouts are unknown or who declined to accept the money does not make a claim to money deposited by a fiduciary before the expiration of 3 years after the deposit date, the money and interest earned on the money that would be distributed under this section to the person, if alive, less expenses, must be distributed by court order to each person who would be entitled to the money if the person had died before the date that he or she became entitled to the money, and the person is forever barred from all claim or right to the money.

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