

Time-Line For An Appeal⁴

Person Filing	Item Filed	Time Deadline	Location Filed	TRAP Rule
Appellant	Notice of Appeal	30 days after entry of final order	Trial court clerk	4(a)
Appellant	Cost bond - Open with sufficient sureties, \$1000 cash or pauper's oath	30 days after entry of final order	Trial court clerk	6, 9 & 10
Trial Court Clerk	Copy of Notice of Appeal in Civil & Criminal cases	7 days after Notice of Appeal filed	Appellate Court Clerk	5
Appellant	Designation of record if less than full record is needed	15 days after Notice of Appeal	Trial court clerk	24(a)
Appellee	Designation of record if any, in addition to Appellant	15 days after service of Appellant's designation	Trial court clerk	24(b)
Appellant	Filing of certified transcript with proof of service to Appellee	60 days after filing Notice of Appeal	Trial court clerk	24(c)
Appellant	Statement of evidence when no transcript of evidence is available	60 days after filing Notice of Appeal	Trial court clerk	24(d)
Appellant	Notice that no transcript of the evidence or statement of the evidence to be filed	15 days after the Notice of Appeal	Trial court clerk	24(d)

⁴This is a general time line for most cases; however, the time line may be different for certain specific appeals. For example, the time-line for parental termination appeals is on an expedited basis and is controlled by Tenn. R. App. P. 8A.

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Trial Court Judge	Approval of the Transcript of the Evidence or the Statement of the Evidence	30 days after the 15 day objection period expires	Trial court clerk	24(f)
Trial Court Clerk	Appellate Record	45 days after the Transcript of the Evidence, Statement of the Evidence, or Notice of No Transcript filed	Transmit to Appellate Court Clerk	25(a) & (b)
Trial Court Clerk	Extension of time for completion of the record	45 day period - No more than 60 days after filing Transcript of the Evidence or Statement of the Evidence	Appellate Court Clerk	25(d)
Appellate Court Clerk	Notice of Filing of Record	Upon Receipt and Filing of Record	Trial court clerk and parties	26(a)
Appellant	Appellant's Brief	30 days after the filing of the record	All Parties	29(a)
Appellee	Appellee's Brief	30 days after the filing of Appellant's Brief	All Parties	29(a)
Appellant	Appellant's Reply Brief (Optional)	14 days after the filing of Appellee's Brief	All Parties	29(a)
Appellate Court Clerk	Notice of Oral Argument scheduled	Upon setting of the appeal for oral argument	All Parties	35(b)

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Appellate Court Clerk	Opinion of the Intermediate Appellate Court and Judgment	Date the Opinion and Judgment filed	All Parties	38
Appellate Court Clerk	Application for Permission to Appeal (TRAP 11)	60 days after entry of judgment of the Int. App. Court	All Parties	11(b)
Appellate Court Clerk	Mandate (Certified copy of Opinion and Judgment)	61 days after entry of the judgment or immediately after denial of TRAP 11 Application by the Supreme Court	Trial Court Clerk & all Parties	42
Appellate Court Clerk	Response in Opposition to TRAP 11 Application	15 days after filing of TRAP 11 Application to the Supreme Court	All Parties	11(d)
Appellate Court Clerk	Order Granting TRAP 11 Application	Upon issuance by Supreme Court	All Parties	11(e)
Appellate Court Clerk	Appellant's Brief in the Supreme Court	At time of filing the TRAP 11 Application or 30 days after the Supreme Court grants the TRAP 11 Application	All Parties	11(f)
Appellate Court Clerk	Appellee's Brief in the Supreme Court	30 days after filing of Appellant's Brief	All Parties	11(f)
Appellate Court Clerk	Appellant's Reply Brief in the Supreme Court (Optional)	14 days after filing of Appellee's Brief	All Parties	11(f)
Appellate Court Clerk	Notice of Oral Argument scheduled	Upon setting of the appeal for oral argument	All Parties	35(b)

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Appellate Court Clerk	Opinion of the Supreme Court and Judgment	Date the Opinion and Judgment filed	All Parties	38
Appellate Court Clerk	Mandate (Certified copy of Opinion and Judgment)	11 days after entry of the judgment	Trial Court Clerk & all Parties	42