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The Bradley ArrearsMaster® Calculator

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All too often, an important component is overlooked in collecting unpaid support obligations for child support and alimony (spousal maintenance). That component is the interest which is automatically earned on every support payment which is not fully paid on time!

Overlooked interest often forms a substantial part of the total amount due. This is particularly true in states (like Kansas) where support payments are first applied to the support due for the current month, then to unpaid interest, and only then to unpaid support arrears.

The ArrearsMaster® program is constantly updated to reflect any changes in applicable state interest rates. The interest rates applicable are automatically determined by the date of the interest assessment (i.e., when the interest needs to be recalculated due to a payment being made or a support obligation falling due or other legally determined date, such as the last day of the month in MO), and by the state designated on the Case Data Page, using a two-digit postal designator (e.g., MO or KS).

A program tour

The **ArrearsMaster® Calculator**, like all Bradley Software products, can be downloaded as “1-day Free Trial” from our website. Not some “crippled” demo, these programs are the full featured working versions. Our “free trial” concept provides a way for you to see how the program works before purchasing.

To give you a little of a preview, however, the following pages will provide a preview of how easy the program is to run and yet how flexible it is.

The following pages can also be retained as a “users guide,” so that after you have downloaded the “1-day Free Trial” you’ll be ready to create an accurate Arrearage Schedule in no time.

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Report Title

Case Caption

County

Case no

State (ZERO and FIXED rates are at bottom of list)

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Case Data Tab

When the program starts the Case Data page is presented. The Case Data page allow entry of court and case general information.



The screenshot displays the '2022 ArrearsMaster' software window. The title bar includes '2022 ArrearsMaster®' and standard window controls. The menu bar contains 'File', 'Edit', 'View', 'Options', and 'Help'. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for file operations. The main interface features a logo for 'BRADLEY SOFTWARE' with the tagline 'child support calculator & software since 1992' and the year '2022' in large blue text. On the left, there is an icon of a stack of money. The central area contains several input fields: 'Report Title' with the value 'John Smith', 'Case Caption' with 'in RE Marriage of Smith', 'County' with 'Johnson County', 'Case no' with '99 C 999999', and 'State' with a dropdown menu set to 'KS'. A note next to the State field reads '(ZERO and FIXED rates are at bottom of list)'. A 'Next Page' button is located to the right of the State field. At the bottom, there is a navigation bar with four tabs: 'Case Data' (selected), 'Support Obligations', 'Payments and Adjustments', and 'Report'. A help icon is visible in the bottom right corner of the window.

The Case Data page is also where the selection is made for which states' interest rules will be applied when calculating interest on the arrearage. For ZERO interest just select ZERO in the State field; or to use a fixed rate of your choosing, select FIXED as an interest rate and then key in the rate to use.

If no interest rate rules exist for a particular state a warning is presented. Bradley Software will implement interest rules for any state at no cost, just contact us and request it be added.

Support Obligations Tab

The Support Obligations tab is where you will enter information about obligation amounts due. The entries in the two grid areas can save immense amounts of time. Simply enter the starting date for a group of transactions, the amount, and the frequency. The frequency is then used to generate transactions on the chosen frequency. One row can generate many transactions in the report, saving you time and effort.

The Beginning Date, Calculate Interest through, Balance Forward and Interest Forward are used to set up the criteria for which the report is based.

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Beginning Date 1 / 1 / 2011 Calculate Interest Through / 9 / 2022

Balance Forward 0.00 Interest Forward 0.00

Child Support		
Date	Amount	Frequency
5 / 9 / 1996	200.00	Monthly
5 / 9 / 2010	200.00	Monthly

Medical Support Order		
Date	Amount	Frequency

Maintenance		
Date	Amount	Frequency
5 / 9 / 1996	550.00	Monthly

Dental Support Order		
Date	Amount	Frequency

Instructions:
Press ENTER to move to the NEXT cell in the Grid
To add a row - Press ENTER while in the bottom right cell
To delete/clear a row - RIGHT Click on a cell in the row to
To MOVE to the next grid press the TAB key

Sort Next Page

Case Data Support Obligations Payments and Adjustments Report

The SORT button sorts the entered transactions by date and remove any incomplete transactions.

Understanding Transaction Frequency

Child Support		
Date	Amount	Frequency
04/01/1998	380	Monthly
04/01/2002	765	Monthly
07/28/2004	0	End-Date

Weekly
Bi-weekly
Monthly
Semi-monthly
Single
End-Date

The Frequency column is used to generate a group of transactions for a particular underlying order.

We have found this to be a powerful time saver and productivity tool.

In the above example, the top row contains a judgement that begins on 04/01/1998 for \$380 per month. When the report runs the report will contain 48 transactions, each for \$380 on the 1st of every month between 04/01/1998 and 04/01/2002. The last transaction of \$380 will occur on 03/01/2002, the monthly obligation just prior to the occurrence of the next underlying order, which begins on 04/01/2002.

The Frequency settings are:

- Weekly - one every 7 days (52 times per year)
- Bi-weekly - every two weeks on the same day of the week (26 times per year)
- Monthly - 12 times per year
- Semi-monthly - two times per month (24 times per year)
- Single - one transaction only
- End Date - will end the transactions in the previous dated underlying order.

Payments and Adjustments Tab

The Payments and Adjustments tab is where you will enter all information about payments made. Each Individual payment or Adjustment must be individually entered. Regular Payments are applied using the same method as Obligations, using a transaction frequency to generate the schedule of payments.

The screenshot displays the '2022 ArrearsMaster' software window. The interface is divided into three main sections: 'Individual Payments', 'Scheduled Payments', and 'Adjustments'. The 'Individual Payments' section contains a table with the following data:

Date	Amount
5/28/2010	512.00
7/1/2010	512.00
8/3/2010	512.00
9/1/2010	512.00
10/1/2010	512.00
11/1/2010	512.00
12/1/2010	512.00
12/30/2010	512.00
2/3/2011	512.00
3/1/2011	512.00
4/1/2011	512.00
4/29/2011	512.00

The 'Scheduled Payments' and 'Adjustments' sections are currently empty. Below the tables, there are several control buttons: 'Generate Payments', 'Import Payments', 'Clear All Payments', and 'Sort'. A 'Next Page' button is also present. A small 'Instructions' box provides guidance on navigating the grid. At the bottom of the window, there are four tabs: 'Case Data', 'Support Obligations', 'Payments and Adjustments' (which is the active tab), and 'Report'.

The SORT button sorts the entered transactions by date and remove any incomplete transactions.

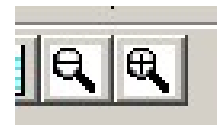
Report Tab

Generating an arrearage schedule is as easy as clicking on the report tab. All information is aggregated from the other tabs and placed in a report.

The column headings stay in view for easy review of the data. Zooming in or out is as easy as a left click (zoom in) or a right click (zoom out).

The report is WYSIWYG (what you see is what you get). It is easy to review and make changes before printing.

The ZOOM icons are active when on the Report Tab.



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John Smith
in RE Marriage of Smith
Johnson County
Case No. 99 C 999999

Attorney Name
Firm Name
Street Address
Address 2
City, State ZIP
(999) 999-9999

Version 35.00.10
Interest from Due Date
Overpayment
Credits No
Excess pays Arrears

KS interest rates have been applied.
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Date	Item	Amount Due	Amount Paid	Payment Applied to			Interest (1)									Bal	
				Current Month	Interest Arrears	Support Arrears	Rates		On Current Support			On Arrears Balance			Current	Interest	
							Annual	Daily	Per diem	Days	Amount	Per diem	Days	Amount			
5/9/1996	Balance Fwd	-	-														
5/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.25%	0.0253%	0.19								750.00
5/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.25%	0.0253%	0.19	22	4.18						750.00
6/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.25%	0.0253%	0.19	21	3.99	0.19	31	-	-		750.00
6/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.25%	0.0253%	0.19	21	3.99	0.19	8	2.96	-		750.00
7/1/1996	Rate Change			0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	8	1.46	0.18	22	4.07	-		750.00
7/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	0.37	8	2.96	-		750.00
7/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	22	4.07	0.37	-	-	-		750.00
8/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	0.37	31	11.46	-		750.00
8/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	22	4.07	0.55	-	-	-		750.00
9/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	0.55	31	17.19	-		750.00
9/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	21	3.98	0.74	-	-	-		750.00
10/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	0.74	30	22.18	-		750.00
10/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	22	4.07	0.92	-	-	-		750.00
11/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	0.92	31	26.64	-		750.00
11/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	21	3.98	1.11	-	-	-		750.00
12/9/1996	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	1.11	30	33.26	-		750.00
12/9/1996	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	22	4.07	1.29	-	-	-		750.00
1/9/1997	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	1.29	31	40.10	-		750.00
1/9/1997	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	22	4.07	1.48	-	-	-		750.00
2/9/1997	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	1.48	31	45.83	-		750.00
2/9/1997	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	19	3.51	1.66	-	-	-		750.00
3/9/1997	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	1.66	29	46.57	-		750.00
3/9/1997	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	22	4.07	1.95	-	-	-		750.00
4/9/1997	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	1.95	31	57.29	-		750.00
4/9/1997	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	21	3.98	2.03	-	-	-		750.00
5/9/1997	Child Support	200.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	-	-	2.03	30	60.98	-		750.00
5/9/1997	Maintenance	550.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	9.00%	0.0246%	0.18	22	4.07	2.32	-	-	-		750.00

Case Data Support Obligations Payments and Adjustments Report

Output

The ArrearsMaster™ outputs a schedule showing all obligations and payments with interest. The report organization can change depending on the state being used for interest calculations.

State for which interest calculations are based

Client information

Attorney name and information

0.00, 380.00
in RE Marriage of Smith
Johnson County
Case No. 99 C 999999

Randy Spivey
Spivey's Firm
20945 W 95th Street
Suite 1
De Soto, KS 66018
(913) 583-9946

Kansas interest rates have been applied. Copyright 2004 - Bradley Software LLC

Date	Item	Amount Due	Amount Paid	Payment Applied to			Interest on Arrears (1)					Balances				
				Current Support	Interest	Support Arrears	Annual Rate	Per Diem %	\$	Days	Adged Amt.	Current Month	Interest	Arrears		
04/01/2004	Balance Fwd	0.00														
4/1/2004	Child Support	380.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00%	0.0164%	\$ 0.00000	-	0.00	380.00	0.00	380.00		
5/1/2004	Child Support	380.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00%	0.0164%	\$ 0.06242	30	1.87	380.00	1.87	760.00		
6/1/2004	Child Support	380.00		0.00	5.74	414.26	6.00%	0.0164%	\$ 0.12485	31	3.87	380.00	0.00	760.00		
6/18/2004	Adjustment	(800.00)		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00%	0.0164%	\$ 0.12485	17	2.12	(420.00)	2.12	760.00		
6/20/2004	Payment		669.00	0.00	2.37	666.63	6.00%	0.0164%	\$ 0.12485	2	0.25	(1,089.00)	0.00	-		
7/1/2004	Rate Change	-		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.25%	0.0171%	\$ 0.00000	11	0.00	(1,089.00)	0.00	-		
7/1/2004	Child Support	380.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.25%	0.0171%	\$ 0.00000	-	0.00	380.00	0.00	380.00		
8/1/2004	Child Support	380.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.25%	0.0171%	\$ 0.06502	31	2.02	380.00	2.02	760.00		
9/1/2004	Child Support	380.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.25%	0.0171%	\$ 0.13005	31	4.03	380.00	6.05	1,140.00		
10/1/2004	Child Support	380.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.25%	0.0171%	\$ 0.19507	30	5.85	380.00	11.90	1,140.00		
10/27/2004	Report End	-		0.00	0.00	0.00	6.25%	0.0171%	\$ 0.19507	26	5.07	380.00	16.97	1,520.00		
Totals		1,660.00	669.00	-	8.11	1,089.89					25.08			1,536.97		

We hold the United States Rule is not applicable to child support payments which are not overpaid. Such payments are exceptions to that rule. However, since the parties made no choice about overpayments, we conclude the United States Rule [236 Kan. 96] is applicable to such payments. In the absence of direction from either the debtor or creditor, overpayments of child support shall be applied first to interest then to overdue support dating back to the earliest nondominant judgment.

Dallas v. Dallas, 236 Kan. 92, 689 P.2d 1184 (1984)

(1) All results calculated to 15 decimal place precision.

Underlying orders
Date Type Amount
04/01/2004 Child Support 380.00

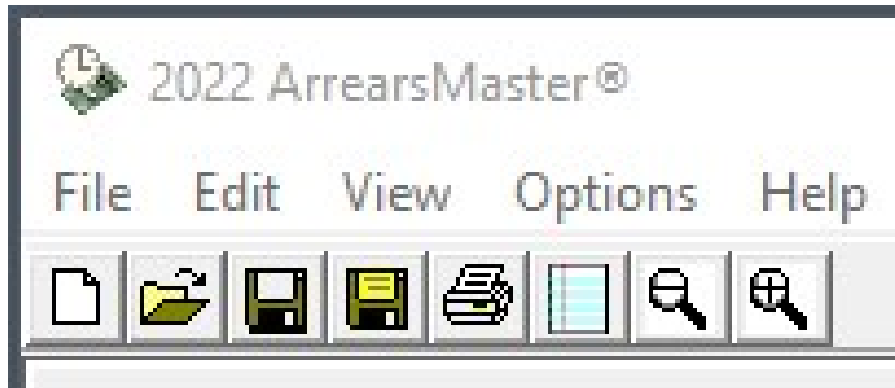
Important notes

Detailed transaction information area showing each transaction and corresponding interest calculations. Transactions are sorted by date.

Column summary information on last row

Summary of Underlying orders

Features of the main toolbar

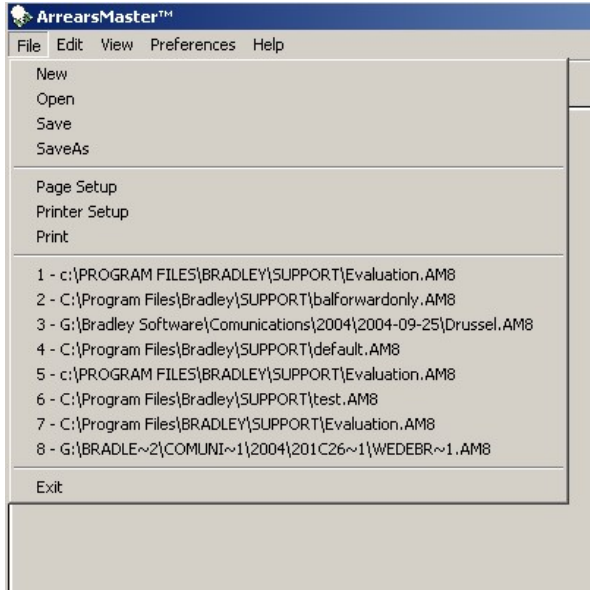


Using the quick-access icons on the toolbar, you can (from left to right):

- Open a new schedule
- Open an existing schedule
- Save the current schedule
- Save the current schedule under a new name
- Print the schedule for use in court, mediation, or negotiations
- Turn off the calculator drop down feature.
- Edit the report header and footer.
- The two ZOOM buttons (magnifying glass with + or - sign) only appear while on the Report tab.

The pull-down menus

The FILE Menu



The FILE menu gives you access to features related to managing arrears schedules. You can open a new or existing schedule, save or save as another name. Printing and printer set up is done here. Page setup allows you to control page header and footer text.

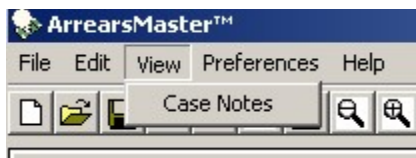
The last 8 schedules opened are also listed here for quick access to them.

The Edit menu is where you can add or remove rows of transactions. Just highlight a grid row then select what you want to do.

The Edit Menu



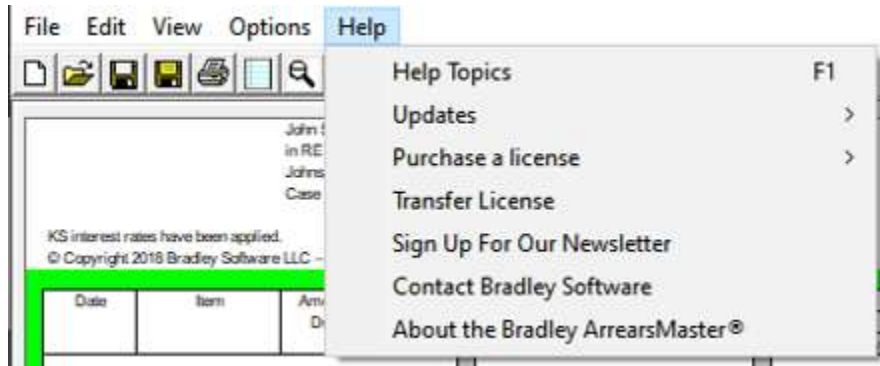
The VIEW Menu



The View menu generates the case notes for this arrears schedule. This is a quick way to document special issues about this arrears schedule.

The pull-down menus (cont'd.)

The HELP Menu



The HELP menu is where you can:

- Get HELP - full context sensitive help for the program
- Check Internet for Program Updates - this checks our website for the most current updates.
- Register, transfer, or purchase a license here.
- Provide feedback to Bradley Software
- Contact Bradley Software or get version information.

Note: The program also includes an auto-update features that will automatically check our website for updates every 30 days.

Preferences

Using the PREFERENCES screen, you can customize the program to fit your practice and office organization

ArrearsMaster® 2022
SaveExit Exit Help

Values for Current Calculation Only

Prepared By:

Attorney Name: Attorney Name
Firm Name: Firm Name
Street Address: Street Address
Address Line 2: Address 2
City, State, Zip: City, State ZIP
Telephone: (999) 999-9999

Select Payment Application
Apply payment to current support
and then to:
Unpaid Support

Calculate Interest from:
FDD (from due date)

Values for ALL Calculations Get Previous Years Settings

Default File Location
C:\program files\bradley\support\
Change

Other Settings

Show Splash Screen at Startup Apply Credits Forward
 Apply settings to previous worksheets when opened AutoSave is OFF
 Print Column Headings on each page change color
 Alternate Colors on report when month changes Save Cancel

Payment options

- Control how the payments are applied
- Control the priority of the payment.

The Other Settings area is used to :

- Control the display of the splash screen upon program start-up
- Control how the attorney name is displayed
- Control column heading display

Program minimum requirements

The minimum system requirements to run the Bradley ArrearsMaster® Calculator are:

- Intel Core i-3 processor or equal
- 20mb free hard disk space
- 4gb RAM (more is always better)
- Display monitor capable of 1024 x 768
- Windows 10 or 11. Be sure that all available "service packs" have been installed.
- Internet Browser is **REQUIRED**.
- Macintosh OS is also supported if using a Windows emulator such as that found at www.parallels.com

The program is available in standalone and networked versions.



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