

## Information, Timescales and Fees

<b>Child Arrangements in Divorce or Separation</b>	
<p>Our barristers can advise you if you and your former partner cannot agree on arrangements for your child. For example, you may not be able to agree on where your child lives, when your child spends time with each other or what school they go to. You may also wish to stop your former partner from making a decision about a child's upbringing.</p> <p>If you cannot agree with your former partner, you can apply to a court for an order. You need to attend a number of court hearings - our barristers can represent you in these hearings. In some cases a conference may be necessary.</p>	
<p><b>Timescales</b></p> <p>Timescales for your case may vary depending on factors such as a barristers' availability, the complexity of your case, how much you have agreed with your former partner and their approach. Written advice will be available within two to four weeks where possible. As a guide, court hearings for an order tend to take six to twelve months. This does not include possible appeals.</p>	
<p><b>Fees</b></p> <p>We charge fixed fees, which means you will be charged a certain fixed amount of money for the work that we provide. For some cases a conference may be necessary. Stated below are estimates only based on the ranges of fixed fees for barristers at Broadway House Chambers. All fees stated are plus VAT (where applicable).</p> <p>There may also be additional costs should you instruct for something which is not listed. Your fixed fees may vary depending on your needs - for example, your fees may be towards the higher end of the range if you need a more experienced barrister and/or you have a more complex case.</p>	
<b>Stage of Case</b>	<b>Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)</b>
Written advice and conferences	£400-1000
Hourly rate for assistance with drafting of any court documents.	£125-275
First hearing (see if the parties can agree)	£500-1250
Directions hearing (if the parties cannot agree, to arrange the final hearing).	£700-1500
Interim hearing (in some cases it may be necessary to, for example, decide whether a child should have contact with a parent before the final hearing)	£1250-2500
Pre-hearing review (to ensure the case is ready for the final hearing)	£500-1250
One day final hearing	£1250-3000
Court appearances per day, after the first day of the final hearing (Refresher fee)	£750-1750
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### **Employment Law**

Our barristers can advise both employees and employers on a range of employment matters in written format, in conference or in the employment tribunal.

Please see below the fees for unfair dismissal and wrongful dismissal claims. For all other areas of employment, please contact the clerks on 01274 722560 or [clerks@broadwayhouse.co.uk](mailto:clerks@broadwayhouse.co.uk)

#### **Timescales**

Timescales for your case may vary depending on factors such as barristers' availability, the complexity of your case, the need for additional documents and the other side's approach. However, as a guide more straightforward cases tend to have a hearing date within four to six months of a claim being made.

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#### **Stage of Case**

#### **Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)**

Written Advice or Conference

£500-2000

Hourly rate for assistance with drafting of any tribunal documents

£125-300

Preliminary hearing

£650-2000

One day hearing

£1000-2500

Tribunal Appearances per day, after the first day (Refresher fee)

£750-1750

Remedy Hearing (to decide compensation based on one day)

£1000-2500

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## Financial Disputes in Divorce

Our barristers can advise you if you and your former partner cannot agree on financial matters. For example, you may not be able to agree on how assets should be divided, whether to sell your home or other assets, maintenance payments and pension sharing.

If you cannot agree, you can apply to a court for a financial order. You may need to attend a number of court hearings - our barristers can represent you in these hearings.

### Timescales

Timescales for your case may vary depending on factors such as barristers' availability, the value and complexity of your assets, whether you have children, how much you have agreed with your former partner and their approach. Written advice on your financial dispute will be available within two to four weeks where possible. As a guide, court hearings for a financial order tend to take six to twelve months. This does not include possible appeals.

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Stage of Case	Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)
Written advice or conference	£500-1500
Hourly rate for assistance with drafting of any court document	£150-275
First directions appointment (first court hearing exchanging financial information)	£750-1750
Financial dispute resolution hearing (second court hearing to reach a financial settlement).	£1000-3000
One day hearing (if no settlement was reached in the financial dispute resolution hearing)	£1250-3500
Court appearances per day, after the first day of the final hearing (Refresher fee)	£750-1750

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## Immigration and Asylum Appeals

If you wish to challenge or appeal against a Home Office Visa or immigration decision, our barristers can advise and represent you. You can ask for help to submit an appeal form, or ask for representation and preparation for a hearing at the First-tier Tribunal (Immigration and Asylum Chamber) - our barristers can advise you about this. They can also advise you on the merits of applying for a judicial review of a decision.

Please note that barristers are not allowed to carry out legal aid work on a Public Access basis. You will need to make an informed decision about whether to apply for legal aid or to proceed with Public Access.

### Timescales

Timescales for our services may vary depending on factors such as barristers' availability, the complexity of your case and the need for additional documents. As you must appeal a decision within 14 days (from within the UK) or 28 days (from outside the UK), please contact the clerks as soon as possible after you have received a Home Office decision. You may also need advice and/or representation at short notice. If so, please contact the clerks as soon as possible. Our barristers will aim to advise you and/or represent you at a hearing where possible.

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Fixed fees vary depending on each case. Fees may be towards the higher end of the range if you need a more experienced barrister and/or you have a more complex case. There may also be additional costs should you instruct one of our barristers to carry out work for something which is not listed.

<b>Stage of case</b>	<b>Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)</b>
Written advice or conference on your appeal or proposed Judicial Review	£250-500
Hourly rate for assistance with completion of forms.	£100-175
Preliminary hearing (in some cases)	£200-350
One tribunal appearance	£350-750

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### Inheritance Act Advices

The Inheritance Act 1975 protects spouses (including former spouses), cohabitants, children and other dependants when a person dies without leaving sufficient money for their continued wellbeing. Our barristers can provide you with written advice on whether you can make a claim under the Act. Our barristers can also provide you with written advice when a person dies and you are a beneficiary of the estate, but also someone else makes a claim under the Act.

#### **Timescales**

Timescales for your written advice may vary depending on factors such as barristers' availability, the value and complexity of the deceased person's estate, your financial needs and those of any beneficiary of the estate. However, claims under the Act must be made within six months of the grant of probate, so as a guide our written advice will be available within two to four weeks where possible.

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<b>Written Advice</b>	<b>Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)</b>
Written advice or conference on making or defending a claim	£750-2000
Hourly rate for assistance with drafting of any document	£150-250
Directions	£750-1250
One day hearing	£1250-2500

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### Licensing Applications (Businesses)

Our barristers can advise you on the following licensing applications for your business: the sale or supply of alcohol, change of opening hours and entertainment purposes. Our barristers can also represent you when your application is heard by the local authority licensing committee, and in any appeal to the Magistrates' Court.

#### Timescales

Timescales for our services may vary depending on factors such as barrister's availability, the complexity of your application and the need for additional documents. As a guide, written advice on your application will be available within two to four weeks where possible. Hearing dates for local authority licensing committees are set in advance, and our barristers will aim to represent you on your preferred hearing date where possible. If the local authority licensing committee refuses our application, appeals must be made to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days.

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#### Written Advice

#### Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)

Written advice or conference on your application	£500-750
Hourly rate for assistance with drafting of application	£150-250
Local Authority licensing committee hearing	£750-1250
Appeal to the Magistrates' Court- initial hearing	£500-1000
Appeal to the Magistrates' Court- full hearing	£1000-2000

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## Personal Injury Claims

We are unable to accept your case on a CFA basis (no win no fee).

If you have had an accident which was not your fault and you wish to make a personal injury claim, our barristers can advise and represent you.

### Timescales

Timescales for your claim may vary depending on factors such as barristers' availability, the complexity of your claim, the need for additional documents and the other side's approach. However, more straightforward cases will ideally settle within six months of a claim being made. If a trial is required, as a guide, the courts tend to have a hearing date within two years of a claim being made.

### Fees

Below we provide fee estimates based on how much your claim is for (generally, up to £25,000), and the ranges of current fees for barristers at Broadway House Chambers.

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Fixed fees vary depending on each case. Fees may be towards the higher end of the range if you need a more experienced barrister and/or you have a more complex case. There may also be additional costs should you instruct for something which is not listed.

<b>Claim - Not more than £3000</b>	<b>Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)</b>
Conference	£300-500
Written advice on your claim	£300-500
Hourly rate for drafting a statement of case	£100-150
One day trial	£500-750
<b>Claim - more than £3,000, but not more than £9,900</b>	
Conference	£400-650
Written advice on your claim	£400-650
Hourly rate for drafting a statement of case	£125-175
One day trial (if required)	£750-1250
<b>Claim - more than £10,000, but not more than £14,999</b>	
Conference	£500-750
Written advice on your claim	£500-750
Hourly rate for drafting a statement of case	£150-200
One Day Trial (if required)	£1250-1750
<b>Claim - more than £15,000, but not more than £25,000</b>	
Conference	£750-1000
Written advice on your claim	£750-1000
Hourly rate for drafting a statement of case	£175-250
One Day Trial (if required)	£1750-2500

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## Winding-Up Petitions

If you are owed £750 or more by a company and are able to prove that the company cannot pay you, you may be able to apply to a court to close or 'wind-up' the company. Our barristers can advise you on the process of issuing a winding-up petition and represent you at the court hearing. If you are a company which has had a winding-up petition issued against you, our barristers can also advise you on the process of defending it and represent you at the court hearing.

### Timescales

Timescales may vary depending on factors such as barrister's availability, the need for additional documents and court waiting times. However, as a guide the courts tend to have a hearing date eight to ten weeks after a winding-up petition is issued.

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If you are issuing a winding-up petition, you should also note that even if the company is wound up, you might not get all or any of the money you are owed.

<b>Stage of Case</b>	<b>Ranges of fixed fees (estimates)</b>
Hourly rate for advice on issuing or defending winding-up petition	£250-750
Assistance with completion of forms and all necessary steps to take	£100-175
Preparation for and attendance at court hearing	£250-1000

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## Crime including motoring offences

All areas of Criminal Law and Regulatory Law (Animal Welfare, Environmental, Health and Safety, Licensing, Local Authority, Motoring Offences & Regulatory).

### Timescales

Timescales will vary depending on factors such as barrister's availability, the need for additional documents and court waiting times.

### Fees

We operate two main pricing methods for privately funded work at Broadway House Chambers – fixed fee and hourly rates.

Sometimes there is a need to use a combination of the two, for instance a trial preparation fee based on the rate per hour and fixed daily attendance fees.

Full information will be given by our clerks when consulted and fees generated will be backed up with counsel's written log of work done.

Factors that will be taken into account when assessing and proposing counsels' fees include:

- The apparent complexity of the case;
- The seniority of counsel;
- The circumstances of the case, including whether it is of public importance or interest;
- The volume of documentation and likely preparation time;
- The potential length of engagement in the case overall and any trial proceedings.

We are often asked to agree varied fee structures such as:

- A 'whole case fee'
- Fixed brief fee (case preparation, conferences, and first day of trial) and fixed daily fees (refreshers)
- An hourly rate for preparation and fixed court attendance fees.

We are also amenable to considering differing payment terms, which can be discussed in detail with our clerking team at an early juncture.

Timescales for provision of our legal assistance can be affected by a number of different factors such as:

- The nature of the case;
- The availability of the barrister selected and any other professional or personal commitments;
- Timely case instructions and provision of all necessary material;
- Case complexity and volume of material to be read.

Value Added Tax will be added (where appropriate) to professional fees. Barristers are also all regulated by the Bar Standards Board, covered by Bar Mutual Professional Indemnity Insurance and are registered with the Information Commissioner's office.

Direct access clients will find more information on the services provided by chambers under this scheme in the dedicated section on our website [add hyperlink here]. The Bar Standards Board's 'Public Access Guidance for Lay Clients' can be found [add hyperlink here].

By way of general guidance counsel who receive instructions directly from a lay client in a **summary only motoring offence**, can provide advice and representation in the Magistrates' Court.

These cases are typically in relation such offences as careless driving, driving whilst disqualified or without appropriate insurance, speeding, failing to stop etc. They usually take varying forms:

- Single hearing – advice and/ or representation;
- Plea of guilty including special reasons and hardship mitigation and any sentencing;
- Not guilty trial and any sentence hearing;
- Legal arguments in respect of admissible evidence and staying proceedings for legal reasons.

Cases can be adjourned for additional information or for evidence to be adduced, for pre-sentence or psychiatric reports or by other orders of the court.

You can ordinarily expect to receive any requested written advice within 2-3 weeks, unless especially urgent. Our clerks will aim to ensure that the instructed barrister will be available to appear for you at court.

The fees you are likely to be charged are dictated by the particular needs of you the client, and your case. The case maybe straightforward requiring junior counsel, or it may be of particular complexity necessitating the instruction of senior counsel, even up to the level of Queen’s Counsel.

### **Fixed Fees**

It is likely that we would be able to charge you a fixed fee for this type of case, either for the whole case, or on an item by item basis, so that you would have a level of costs certainty at the outset.

A typical range of fees, to which 20% VAT must be added, would be:

- Written advice – £75 to £1000
- Preparation, conferences, assistance with documents – £250 to £2,500  
(up to a maximum of 3 hours, £80 – £1,000 per hour thereafter)

- A ‘Guilty’ plea – £150 to £5000
- First appearance – £100 to £1500
- First day of trial – £175 to £10,000
- Refreshers – £225 to £2,500
- Committal for sentence - £250 to £2,500

If your case is out of West Yorkshire, we will charge travel expenses at 45p per mile or standard train fare.

This is a wide range of fees anticipating cases at both ends of the scale, but a more definitive guide will be offered to you on first contact with our clerks. There is however, no set upper or lower limit, each case would be assessed on its own merits. A formal contract between counsel and the client will be drawn up setting out the services to be provided, the fees for these services and payment terms.

In certain circumstances that may arise there may be additional work demanded of counsel which may result in extra costs to the client which you will be advised of at the first opportunity. These may include, but are not limited to: service of further evidence, changes in the client’s case, unforeseen lengthening of court proceedings.

### **Hourly Rates**

Sometimes we charge hourly rates, which means you will be charged a certain amount of money for the work that we provide. For some cases a conference may be necessary. Stated below are estimates only for barristers at Broadway House Chambers. **Our hourly rates are £100-250 plus VAT** (where applicable)

The fees vary depending on each case. Your fees will be higher if you need a more experienced barrister.

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