

Scale of fees – criminal law

Solicitor – Magistrates/childrens court matters

	Fixed fee (\$)
Prepare and attend (includes court time)	
Plea	765.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) (up to three hours court time) – Committal	459.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) (full day court time) – Committal	918.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) DV Offences – Summary trial	1224.00
Preparation	
Trial (Solicitor only) MG1 + MG2 prep only	1071.00
Trial (Solicitor instructing Counsel)	1071.00
Registry committal	306.00
Formal application for Cross-examination of witnesses, disclosure direction order, and/or indicting summary matters	306.00
Committal hearing with Cross-examination	612.00
Bail application	153.00
Investigate prospects of reopening of sentence in line with section 188 of the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i>	912.00
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	306.00
Additional preparation for 100 or more charges	612.00
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	262.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (Solicitor only)	1530.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (Solicitor instructing Counsel)	3060.00
Court time	
Up to three hours	459.00
Full day	918.00
Court time instructing counsel (Summary trial)	
Up to three hours	366.00
Full day	732.00
Court time instructing counsel (Committal)	
Up to three hours	366.00
Full day	732.00
Prison visit	
	218.00
Duty lawyer	
Magistrate court only	153.00

Solicitor – Higher court matters

	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Supreme Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)
Preparation		
Plea	322.00	349.00
Breach	322.00	349.00
Pre-trial hearing	322.00	349.00
Vacating a plea	322.00	349.00
Trial	966.00	4213.00
Bail application	153.00	633.00
Investigate prospects of reopening of sentence in line with section 188 of the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i>	912.00	912.00
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	306.00	306.00
Additional preparation for 100 or more charges	612.00	612.00
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	262.00	262.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (plea of guilty)	1836.00	2601.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (trial)	3060.00	–
Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date		
Solicitor only	185.00	235.00
Solicitor instructing	137.00	137.00
Court time instructing counsel		
Up to three hours	459.00	475.00
Full day	918.00	950.00
Negotiation/case conference		
Conference	225.00	225.00
Negotiation	225.00	225.00
Prison visit		
	218.00	218.00
Cross-examination of protected witnesses		
Half day court attendance	459.00	475.00
Full day court attendance	918.00	950.00
Late night jury		
Per hour	174.00	174.00
Brisbane and Ipswich District Court Sexual Violence Case Management List Pilot		
	536.00	–

Solicitor advocate

	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Supreme Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)
Preparation		
Plea	486.00	621.00
Breach	486.00	621.00
Pre-trial hearing	486.00	621.00
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	306.00	306.00
Additional preparation for 100 or more charges	612.00	612.00
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	262.00	262.00
Trial	972.00	—
Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date		
Solicitor only	185.00	235.00
Court time		
Up to three hours	543.00	665.00
Full day	1086.00	1330.00
Negotiation/case conference/conference		
	225.00	225.00
Late night jury		
Per hour	174.00	—

Counsel

	<i>Childrens Court Magistrates Court Fixed fee (\$)</i>	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland Fixed fee (\$)</i>	<i>Supreme Court Fixed fee (\$)</i>
Preparation			
Plea	–	252.00	388.00
Breach	–	252.00	388.00
Pre-trial hearing	–	252.00	388.00
Early stages of committal proceedings	306.00	–	–
Formal application for Cross-examination of witnesses, disclosure direction order, and/or indicting summary matters	306.00	–	–
Committal hearing with Cross-examination	306.00	–	–
Higher court trial	–	758.00	5408.00
Bail application	–	–	475.00
Additional preparation time for extraordinary matters (plea)	–	2095.00	3405.00
Additional preparation time for extraordinary matters (trial)	2897.00	3492.00	–
Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date			
Mentions instructed	–	185.00	235.00
Court time			
Up to three hours	459.00	543.00	665.00
Full day	918.00	1086.00	1330.00
Negotiation/case conferencing			
Conference	–	225.00	225.00
Negotiation	225.00	225.00	225.00
Prison visit			
	218.00	218.00	218.00
Cross-examination of protected witnesses			
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) (Committal in the Magistrates or Childrens Court or sentence or trial in the District Court, Children's Court of Queensland or Supreme Court)	918.00	1086.00	1330.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) DV Offences (Summary trial in the Magistrates or Childrens Court)	1642.00	–	–
Summary trial (prepare and attend)			
	1642.00	–	–
Late night jury			
Per hour	–	288.00	288.00
Brisbane and Ipswich District Court Sexual Violence Case Management List Pilot			
	–	428.00	–

Criminal law appeals

	<i>Solicitor Fixed fee (\$)</i>	<i>Solicitor Advocate Fixed fee (\$)</i>	<i>Counsel Fixed fee (\$)</i>
District court s 222 appeal			
Investigate prospects — sentence	595.00	—	—
Investigate prospects — conviction and sentence	893.00	—	—
Preparation and first day	1530.00	2620.00	1822.00
Court of Appeal			
Investigate prospects — sentence	918.00	—	1217.00
Investigate prospects — conviction	1683.00	—	2128.00
Investigate prospects — conviction and sentence	2448.00	—	3035.00
Investigate prospects — subsequent appeal	2525.00	—	3192.00
Appeal against sentence			
Preparation and first day	895.00	—	1851.00
Subsequent days	475.00	—	1330.00
Appeal against conviction			
Preparation and first day	1626.00	—	3198.00
Subsequent half day	475.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	950.00	—	1330.00
Appeal against conviction and sentence			
Preparation and first day	2226.00	—	4562.00
Subsequent half day	475.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	950.00	—	1330.00
Subsequent appeal			
Preparation and first day	1965.00	—	4797.00
Subsequent half day	475.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	950.00	—	1330.00
High Court			
Investigate prospects	971.00	—	2128.00
Preparation and first day — application for special leave	1779.00	—	3198.00
Preparation and first day — appeal	1779.00	—	3198.00
Subsequent half day	475.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	950.00	—	2003.00
Application for pardon			
Investigate prospects — application for pardon	2525.00	—	1826.00
Preparation and submission of application of pardon	1627.00	—	3198.00
Double Jeopardy exception application			
Preparation and first day	1965.00	—	3198.00
Subsequent half day	475.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	950.00	—	1330.00

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DNA historic case review			
Preliminary advice — DNA re-tested	765.00	—	—
Preliminary advice — DNA not re-tested	459.00	—	—