

Criminal law fees – Magistrates Court and District Court

	MAGISTRATES COURT SUMMARY FUNDING			MAGISTRATES COURT COMMITTAL FUNDING										DISTRICT COURT SENTENCE FUNDING			
	MG1	MG2	MG5	MR1	MR1A	MR2	MR3	MR4	MR5	MR6	MR7	MR8	MR9	CF	CFA	CF2	
ITEM	Initial grant of aid for assistance, summary plea of guilty or initial preparation for trial and provide LAQ with a merit opinion	Summary trial	Additional days of trial	Registry or hand up committal	Obtain counsel advice and negotiate with prosecutions	Make formal application for cross-examination of witness(es), disclosure direction order, and/or indicting summary matters	Day 1 of committal hearing with cross examination or summary trial without counsel	Make formal applications for cross examination of witness(es); disclosure direction order; and/or indicting summary matters with counsel	Day one of committal hearing with cross examination or summary trial with counsel	Negotiated summary plea or additional days of committal hearing without counsel	Additional days of committal hearing with counsel	Day one of committal hearing with cross examination counsel only	Additional days of committal hearing counsel only	Plea of Guilty	Contested plea	Subsequent day for finalisation of sentence with counsel	
SOLICITORS																	
Preparation	-	\$320	-	\$320	-	\$320	\$320	\$320	\$320	-	-	-	-	\$337	-	-	
Mentions	-	-	-	\$282	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$386	-	-	
Negotiation	-	-	-	\$217	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Conference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$217	\$317	-	-	-	-	\$235	-	-	
Court time (half day)	-	\$480	-	-	-	\$480	\$480	\$383	\$383	\$480	\$383	-	-	\$480	\$480	-	
Court time (full day)	-	\$960	\$960	-	-	-	\$960	\$766	\$766	\$960	\$766	-	-	-	-	-	
Full fee	\$800		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$160	
SubTotal	\$800	\$1280	\$960	\$819	-	\$800	\$1,280	\$1,303	\$1,403	\$960	\$766	-	-	\$1,438	\$480	\$160	
BARRISTERS																	
Fee on brief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$193	
Preparation	-	-	-	-	\$320	-	-	\$320	\$320	-	-	\$320	-	\$263	-	-	
Negotiations	-	-	-	-	\$235	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$235	-	-	
Conferences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$217	\$217	-	-	\$217	-	\$235	-	-	
Court time (half day)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$480	\$480	-	\$480	\$480	\$480	\$568	\$568	-	
Court Time (full day)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$960	\$960	-	\$960	\$960	\$960	-	-	-	
Mentions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
SubTotal	-	-	-	-	\$555	-	-	\$1,497	\$1,497	-	\$960	\$1,497	\$960	\$1,301	\$568	\$193	
OUTLAYS																	
SubTotal	\$25	\$25	-	\$25	-	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	-	-	\$50	-	-	
TOTAL	\$825	\$1305	\$960	\$844	\$555	\$825	\$1,305	\$2,825	\$2,925	\$985	\$1,751	\$1,497	\$960	\$2,789	\$1,048	\$353	
ITEM	DISTRICT COURT TRIAL FUNDING						EXTRAORDINARY GRANTS				EXPENSIVE CASE GRANTS		ADDITIONAL PREPARATION GRANTS				
	CG	CY	CPTD	CY1	SVDC	LNJ	EC1A	EC1B	EC2A	EC2B	EXPS	EXPC	CINT	CPMC	CPHC	SRE	BRE
	Examine depositions, conference and negotiation	Prepare for trial and attend day one	Day one of a pre trial hearing	Additional days of trial / pre trial hearing	Sexual Violence Case Management Pilot	Late night jury fee - hourly rate (max 5 hours)	Magistrates Court - Extraordinary grant (solicitor only)	Magistrates Court - Extraordinary grant (solicitor and counsel)	District Court - Extraordinary fee for a trial	District Court - Extraordinary fee for a plea	Expensive case grant - hourly rate (solicitor)	Expensive case grant - hourly rate (counsel)	Additional preparation where interpreter engaged	Additional preparation where there are multiple charges (20 or more)	Additional preparation where there are more than 100 charges	Solicitor reading fee - hourly rate	Counsel reading fee - hourly rate
SOLICITORS																	
Preparation	\$337	\$673	\$337	-	-	\$182	\$1,600	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$1,920	\$160	-	\$274	\$320	\$640	\$160	-
Mentions	\$386	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negotiation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conference	\$235	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Court time (half day)	\$480	\$480	\$480	\$480	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Court time (full day)	-	-	\$960	\$960	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Full fee	-	-	-	-	\$560	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SubTotal	\$1,438	\$1,153	\$1,297	\$960	\$560	\$182	\$1,600	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$1,920	\$160	-	\$274	\$320	\$640	\$160	-
BARRISTERS																	
Fee on brief	-	-	-	-	\$448	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Preparation	\$263	\$529	\$263	-	-	\$301	-	\$3,029	\$3,658	\$2,191	-	\$263	-	-	-	-	\$263
Negotiations	\$235	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conferences	\$235	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Court time (half day)	\$568	\$568	\$568	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Court Time (full day)	-	-	\$1,136	\$1,136	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mentions	\$386	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SubTotal	\$1,687	\$1,097	\$1,399	\$1,136	\$448	\$301	-	\$3,029	\$3,658	\$2,191	-	\$263	-	-	-	-	\$263
OUTLAYS																	
SubTotal	\$50	\$100	\$50	\$25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$3,175	\$2,350	\$2,746	\$2,121	\$1,008	\$483	\$1,600	\$6,229	\$6,858	\$4,111	\$160	\$263	\$274	\$320	\$640	\$160	\$263

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