

Scale of fees – criminal law

Solicitor – Magistrates/childrens court matters

	Fixed fee (\$)
Prepare and attend (includes court time)	
Plea	715.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) (up to three hours court time) – Committal	429.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) (full day court time) – Committal	858.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) DV Offences – Summary trial	1144.00
Preparation	
Trial (Solicitor only)	1001.00
Trial (Solicitor instructing Counsel)	1001.00
Registry committal	286.00
Formal application for Cross-examination of witnesses, disclosure direction order, and/or indicting summary matters	286.00
Committal hearing with Cross-examination	464.00
Bail application	143.00
Investigate prospects of reopening of sentence in line with section 188 of the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i>	852.00
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	286.00
Additional preparation for 100 or more charges	556.00
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	245.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (Solicitor only)	1430.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (Solicitor instructing Counsel)	2860.00
Court time	
Up to three hours	429.00
Full day	858.00
Court time instructing counsel (Summary trial)	
Up to three hours	342.00
Full day	684.00
Court time instructing counsel (Committal)	
Up to three hours	342.00
Full day	684.00
Prison visit	
	204.00
Duty lawyer	
Magistrate court only	143.00

Solicitor – Higher court matters

	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Supreme Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)
Preparation		
Plea	301.00	326.00
Breach	301.00	326.00
Pre-trial hearing	301.00	326.00
Vacating a plea	301.00	326.00
Trial	903.00	3901.00
Bail application	143.00	594.00
Investigate prospects of reopening of sentence in line with section 188 of the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i>	852.00	852.00
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	286.00	286.00
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	245.00	245.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (plea of guilty)	1716.00	2431.00
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (trial)	2860.00	–
Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date		
Solicitor only	173.00	219.00
Solicitor instructing	128.00	128.00
Court time instructing counsel		
Up to three hours	429.00	444.00
Full day	858.00	888.00
Negotiation/case conference		
Conference	211.00	211.00
Negotiation	211.00	211.00
Prison visit		
	204.00	204.00
Cross-examination of protected witnesses		
Half day court attendance	429.00	444.00
Full day court attendance	858.00	888.00

Solicitor advocate

	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Supreme Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)
Preparation		
Plea	454.00	581.00
Breach	454.00	581.00
Pre-trial hearing	454.00	581.00
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	286.00	286.00
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	245.00	245.00
Trial	1014.00	–
Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date		
Solicitor only	173.00	219.00
Court time		
Up to three hours	507.00	622.00
Full day	1014.00	1244.00
Negotiation/case conference/conference		
	211.00	211.00

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	–	235.00	362.00
Breach	–	235.00	362.00
Pre-trial hearing	–	326.00	362.00
Early stages of committal proceedings	286.00	–	–
Formal application for Cross-examination of witnesses, disclosure direction order, and/or indicting summary matters	286.00	–	–
Committal hearing with Cross-examination	286.00	–	–
Higher court trial	–	708.00	5054.00
Bail application	–	–	444.00
Additional preparation time for extraordinary matters (plea)	–	1958.00	3182.00
Additional preparation time for extraordinary matters (trial)	2708.00	3264.00	–
Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date			
Mentions instructed	–	173.00	219.00
Court time			
Up to three hours	429.00	507.00	622.00
Full day	858.00	1014.00	1244.00
Negotiation/case conferencing			
Conference	–	211.00	211.00
Negotiation	211.00	211.00	211.00
Prison visit			
	204.00	204.00	204.00
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)	858.00	1014.00	1244.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) DV Offences (Summary trial in the Magistrates or Childrens Court)	1535.00	–	–
Summary trial (prepare and attend)			
	1535.00	–	–

Criminal law appeals

	<i>Solicitor</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Solicitor Advocate</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Counsel</i> Fixed fee (\$)
District court s 222 appeal			
Investigate prospects — sentence	556.00	—	—
Investigate prospects — conviction and sentence	835.00	—	—
Preparation and first day	1430.00	2448.00	1703.00
Court of Appeal			
Investigate prospects — sentence	858.00	—	1137.00
Investigate prospects — conviction	1573.00	—	1989.00
Investigate prospects — conviction and sentence	2288.00	—	2836.00
Appeal against sentence			
Preparation and first day	836.00	—	1703.00
Subsequent days	444.00	—	1244.00
Appeal against conviction			
Preparation and first day	1520.00	—	2989.00
Subsequent half day	444.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	888.00	—	1244.00
Appeal against conviction and sentence			
Preparation and first day	2081.00	—	4264.00
Subsequent half day	444.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	888.00	—	1244.00
High Court			
Investigate prospects	908.00	—	1989.00
Preparation and first day — application for special leave	1663.00	—	2989.00
Preparation and first day — appeal	1663.00	—	2989.00
Subsequent half day	444.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	888.00	—	1872.00