

## SCHEDULE 4

Article 9

### REPRESENTATION (HIGHER COURTS)

## PART 1

### General

1. This Schedule applies to the determination of the remuneration payable to representatives for providing representation (higher courts).

2. The Department shall determine the claim submitted under Article 8 in accordance with the rates or fees set out in the relevant Table in Parts 2 to 6 of this Schedule, as applicable, and pay the assessed remuneration to the [<sup>F1</sup>representative] .

**F1** Word in Sch. 4 para. 2 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(1)**

3. For proceedings listed within Part 2 of this Schedule, where a representative considers that the sum allowable under Table 1 or Table 2, as applicable, would not provide reasonable remuneration according to the work reasonably undertaken and properly done, the representative may apply to the judge before whom the proceedings took place for a certificate that for any reason including the exceptional length, difficulty or complexity of the proceedings the limitation on the sums allowable under Table 1 or Table 2, as applicable, shall not apply and where such certificate is granted the Department shall allow remuneration under Table 3 to 19, as applicable.

4. Where a judge has granted a certificate under paragraph 3, and there is a combination of proceedings heard together, the highest applicable composite fee will be payable with an additional payment of 30% of the composite fee in respect of the first related proceedings and an additional payment of 20% of the composite fee in respect of the second related proceedings.

5. For proceedings listed within Part 3 of this Schedule, where the costs have been taxed by a district judge, the Department will pay remuneration to the solicitor on foot of the taxed bill. If the proceedings are withdrawn, abandoned or discontinued the representative's claim will be assessed by the Department in accordance with Tables 1 to 4, as applicable.

6. For proceedings listed within Parts 4, 5 and 6 of this Schedule, the sums allowed to representatives in any proceedings shall, subject to Article 5(2)(a) and (b), be assessed by the Department in accordance with the Tables set out in the relevant Part, as applicable to the nature of the proceedings and the items of work in question.

[<sup>F2</sup>7. In this Schedule, any reference to “Letters” or “letters” shall be taken to include reference to emails.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

8. For the proceedings listed in Part 2 of this Schedule, any claim by a solicitor for travelling and mileage to attend Court shall be from the solicitor’s office to which the certificate relates. Any claim by Counsel for travelling and mileage to attend Court shall be from the Bar Library, 91 Chichester Street Belfast BT1 3JQ.

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the *The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015, SCHEDULE 4. (See end of Document for details)*

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

9. For proceedings falling to be remunerated under Tables 3 to 11 of Part 2 of this Schedule, no claims for waiting time shall be entertained.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

10. For proceedings falling within Table 1 of Part 3, no claim for mileage shall be entertained. Any claim by a solicitor for travelling to attend Court shall be from the solicitor's office to which the certificate relates.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

11.—(1) For proceedings listed within Tables 2, 3 and 4 of Part 3 of this Schedule and proceedings listed within Part 4 of this Schedule, travel may be claimed as follows and claims shall not be entertained for mileage or waiting—

(a) Counsel travelling to attend a court—

- (i) 20 to 50 miles from the Head Post Office, Belfast, is entitled to an additional sum of £23;
- (ii) More than 50 miles from the Head Post Office, Belfast, is entitled to an additional sum of £46.

(b) Solicitor travelling to attend a court—

- (i) 20 to 50 miles from the solicitor's office, or where the solicitor's firm practises from more than one office, from the office which dealt with the proceedings is entitled to an additional sum of £23;
- (ii) More than 50 miles from the solicitor's office, or where the solicitor's firm practises from more than one office, from the office which dealt with the proceedings is entitled to an additional sum of £46.

(2) Where a solicitor or counsel has conducted more than one case in the same day at the same venue, the fee set out in sub-paragraph (1) may be claimed once only and the fee shall be divided proportionately over the number of cases conducted by the solicitor or counsel.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

12. In any proceedings listed in Part 5 of this Schedule to which travel and mileage are payable, any claim by a solicitor for travelling and mileage to attend Court shall be from the solicitor's office to which the certificate relates and any claim by Counsel for travelling and mileage to attend Court shall be from the Bar Library, 91 Chichester Street Belfast BT1 3JQ.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

13. In respect of claims for costs made under Table 1 of Part 5 of this Schedule, travel may be claimed by solicitor only from the solicitor's office to which the certificate relates at the rate of £15 per hour and mileage at the rate of 35.7p per mile. No claim shall be entertained for waiting time.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

14. In respect of any claim for costs made under Table 2 of Part 5 of this Schedule, no claim for travelling or waiting time or mileage shall be entertained.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

15. In respect of any claim for costs made under Table 3 of Part 5 of this Schedule, no claim for mileage shall be entertained

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

16. For the proceedings listed in Part 6 of this Schedule, a solicitor may claim for mileage only from the solicitor's office to which the certificate relates at the rate of 35.7p per mile. No claim shall be entertained for travel and waiting time.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

17. Unless otherwise prescribed by this Schedule, travel and waiting time where payable, may be claimed by solicitors at the rate of £29.25 per hour and mileage where payable may be claimed at the rate of 35.7p per mile for proceedings falling within this Schedule.

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

18. Unless otherwise prescribed by this Schedule, travel time where payable may be claimed by authorised counsel at the rate of £12 per hour and mileage where payable may be claimed at the rate of 35.7p per mile for proceedings falling within this Schedule.]

**F2** Sch. 4 paras. 7-18 inserted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(2)**

## PART 2

### Family and Children Order Proceedings – Family Care Centre

[<sup>F3</sup>All proceedings including appeals from the Family Proceedings Court and Domestic Proceedings Court]

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015, SCHEDULE 4. (See end of Document for details)

**Table 1:****Solicitor – Hourly Rates**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Rate</i>
Preparation	£58 per hour
Letters Written	£3.65 per item
Letters Received	£1.85 per item
Telephone Calls	£3.65 per call
Non Standard Telephone Call (over 5 minutes)	£58 per hour
Advocacy – Solicitor Alone	£64 per hour
Consultation with Counsel	£32.50 per hour
Advocacy – Solicitor with Counsel	£32.50 per hour

**Table 2:****Counsel – Composite Fees**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Composite Fee</i>
On an unopposed application or a procedural issue	Standard £76.25 Maximum £127
On the trial of a cause or matter, or the hearing of an application:	
- Where the hearing lasts for up to half a day	Standard £140 Maximum £268
- Full Day	Standard £317.75 Maximum £508.50
- Refresher	£140 for each additional day
[ <sup>F4</sup> Consultation and Preparation]	£35.50 per hour
Complex items of work (opinions, affidavits)	£82.75 per item
All other written work	£50.25 per item

**Table 3:****Children Order – Proceedings under Articles 44 and 50**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£3,500
Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150

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[<sup>F5</sup>35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or £1,225  
Transferred (following first directions hearing  
but before a final hearing date is set)]

[<sup>F6</sup>20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or £700  
Transferred (at first directions hearing)]

**Table 4:**

**Children Order – All Other Proceedings**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£2,000
Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£700
[ <sup>F6</sup> 20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (at first directions hearing)]	£400

**Table 5:**

**Children Order – Appeals from the Family Proceedings  
Court – Proceedings under Articles 44 and 50**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£1,400
Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£490
[ <sup>F6</sup> 20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (at first directions hearing)]	£280

**Table 6:**

**[<sup>F7</sup>Appeals from the Family Proceedings Court and  
Domestic Proceedings Court – Re Other Proceedings]**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite fee	£800

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Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£280
[ <sup>F6</sup> 20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (at first directions hearing)]	£160

**Table 7:**

**Proceedings under Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 <sup>M1</sup> – Freeing Order**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£3,500
Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£1,225
[ <sup>F6</sup> 20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (at first directions hearing)]	£700

**Table 8:**

**Combined Proceedings – Freeing Order and Article 50**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£5,000
Additional Full day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£1,750
[ <sup>F6</sup> 20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (at first directions hearing)]	£1,000

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**Table 9:****Adoption Order – Contested**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£3,500
Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£1,225
[ <sup>F6</sup> 20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (at first directions hearing)]	£700

**Table 10:****Adoption Order – Uncontested**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£400
Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half Day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£140
[ <sup>F6</sup> 20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (at first directions hearing)]	£80

**Table 11:**

**Proceedings under Family Homes and Domestic Violence (Northern Ireland) Order 1988<sup>M2</sup> – Non-Molestation / Occupation Order**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor's Composite Fee</i>
Composite Fee	£528
Additional Full Day	£400
Additional Half day	£200
Judgment Fee	£150
[ <sup>F5</sup> 35% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£184.80

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015, SCHEDULE 4. (See end of Document for details)

[<sup>F6</sup>20% of Composite Fee – Case Withdrawn or £105.60  
Transferred (at first directions hearing)]

**Table 12:**

**Children Order – All Proceedings**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
Brief Fee	£2,000	£3,000
Directions and Written Work	£780	£1,170
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£150	£225
[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£700	£1,050
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]	£400	£600

**Table 13:**

**[<sup>F10</sup> Appeals from the Family Proceedings Court and Domestic Proceedings Court – No New Evidence]**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
Brief Fee	£800	£1,200
Directions and Written Work	£195	£292.50
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£150	£225
[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£280	£420
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]	£160	£240



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**Table 14:**

**[<sup>F11</sup>Appeals from the Family Proceedings Court  
and Domestic Proceedings Court – New Evidence]**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
Brief Fee	£1,500	£2,250
Directions and Written work	£312	£468
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£150	£225
[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£525	£787.50
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]	£300	£450

**Table 15:**

**Proceedings under Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 <sup>M3</sup> – Freeing Order**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
Brief Fee	£2,500	£3,750
Directions and Written Work	£780	£1,170
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£150	£225
[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£875	£1,312.50
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee – Case Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]	£500	£750

**Table 16:**

**Combined Proceedings – Freeing Order and Article 50**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015, SCHEDULE 4. (See end of Document for details)

Brief Fee	£3,520	£5,280
Directions and Written Work	£1,170	£1,755
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£200	£300
[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee — Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£1,232	£1,848
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee — Case Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]	£704	1,056

Table 17:

**Adoption Order – Contested**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
Brief Fee	£2,500	£3,750
Directions and Written Work	£780	£1,170
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£150	£225
[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee — Case Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£875	£1,312.50
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee — Case Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]	£500	£750

Table 18:

**Adoption Order – Uncontested**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
Brief Fee	£1,150	£1,725
Directions and Written Work	£312	£468
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£150	£225

[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee — Case £402.50 Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]	£603.75
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee — Case £230 Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]	£345

Table 19:

**Proceedings under Family Homes and Domestic Violence (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 <sup>M4</sup> –Non-Molestation / Occupation Order**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Junior Counsel</i>	<i>Senior Counsel</i>
Brief Fee	£1,500	£2,250
Directions and Written Work	£780	£1,170
Refresher – Full Day	£400	£600
Refresher – Half Day	£200	£300
Judgment Fee	£150	£225
[ <sup>F8</sup> 35% Brief Fee — Case £525 Withdrawn or Transferred (following first directions hearing but before a final hearing date is set)]		£787.50
[ <sup>F9</sup> 20% Brief Fee — Case £300 Withdrawn or Transferred ( at first directions hearing)]		£450

- F3** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(a)**
- F4** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 2 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(b)**
- F5** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 3-11 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(c)(i)**
- F6** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 3-11 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(c)(ii)**
- F7** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 6 heading substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(e)**
- F8** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 12-19 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(d)(i)**
- F9** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 12-19 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(d)(ii)**
- F10** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 13 heading substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(f)**
- F11** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 14 heading substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(g)**

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**F4** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 2 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(b)**  
**F5** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 3-11 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(c)(i)**  
**F6** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 3-11 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(c)(ii)**  
**F7** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 6 heading substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(e)**  
**F8** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 12-19 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(d)(i)**  
**F9** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 12-19 substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(d)(ii)**  
**F10** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 2 Table 13 heading substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)(f)**  
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## PART 3

### Divorce and other Family Proceedings in the County Court

[<sup>F12</sup>Table 1:

#### Divorce, Nullity and other Matrimonial Suits – Matrimonial Causes (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 (Withdrawn/Abandoned/ Discontinued Proceedings) – Solicitor

Work Type	Rate
Consultation, Preparation, Travel and Waiting	£30 per hour
Letters and Telephone Calls	£3.35 per item
Non Standard telephone call (over 5 minutes)	£30 per hour]

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**F12** Sch. 4 Pt. 3 Table 1 substituted (1.7.2019) by The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 (S.R. 2019/119), arts. 1, **8(4)(a)**

**Table 2:**

**Committal Proceedings**

<i>Work Type<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Composite Fee <sup>2</sup>	£601	£222
Case withdrawn on morning of hearing	25% deduction applied	25% deduction applied

<sup>1</sup> Where a case is withdrawn before a hearing date has been set, a time-based assessment of work carried out will be undertaken for the solicitor. Hourly rates – £30, letters and telephone calls – [<sup>F13</sup>£3.35 per item, non-standard telephone calls (over 5 minutes)- £30 per hour] .

<sup>2</sup> For each day or part of a day on which a hearing is continued after the first day, both solicitor and counsel in attendance are entitled to an additional sum equivalent to one third of counsel's fee.

**F13** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 3 Table 2 substituted (1.7.2019) by The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 (S.R. 2019/119), arts. 1, **8(4)(b)**

**Table 3:**

**Adoption Proceedings**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Standard Fee <sup>1</sup>	£193.50	£129
Adjournments	£51.60	£32.25

<sup>1</sup> An uplift of 50% on the basic fee will be payable to both Solicitor and Junior Counsel for each additional child involved with the same proceedings.

**Table 4:**

**Appeals from the Family Proceedings Court**

<i>Work Type</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Standard Fee – irrespective of Full or Half day	£422	£110
Case withdrawn at hearing	£347	£110
Case withdrawn prior to hearing	£211	£55
Adjournments	£51.50	£34

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## PART 4

### Other Proceedings in the County Court

**Table 1:**

#### Ordinary Civil Bill Scales – Plaintiff's and Defendant's Remuneration

<i>Department's assessment of value of the claim</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Does not exceed £1,000	£538	£180
Exceeds £1,000 but does not exceed £2,500	£1,136	£263
Exceeds £2,500 but does not exceed £5,000	£1,614	£383
Exceeds £5,000 but does not exceed £7,500	£2,092	£478
Exceeds £7,500 but does not exceed £10,000	£2,391	£562
Exceeds £10,000 but does not exceed £12,500	£2,630	£640
Exceeds £12,500 but does not exceed £15,000	£2,869	£718
Exceeds £15,000 but does not exceed £20,000	£3,876	£842
Exceeds £20,000 but does not exceed £25,000	£4,253	£953
Exceeds £25,000 but does not exceed £30,000	£4,692	£1,060
Drafting notice for, or replies to notice for, particulars – payable to either the solicitor or counsel	£43	
Drafting interrogatories, or answers to interrogatories, as certified by the judge	£70	£70
Additional Days	50% of solicitor's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate, not exceeding £600	50% of counsel's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate

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**Table 2:****Equity Civil Bill Scales – Plaintiff's and Defendant's Remuneration**

<i>Where value of the personalty and / or lands</i>	<i>Solicitor's Fee</i>	<i>Counsel's Fee – for advising proceedings/defence, settling the equity civil bill and advising proofs</i>	<i>Counsel's Fee – on hearing of equity civil bill or petition</i>
Does not exceed £5,000	£538	£92	£267
Exceeds £5,000 but does not exceed £10,000	£1,136	£124	£342
Exceeds £10,000 but does not exceed £15,000	£1,614	£152	£458
Exceeds £15,000 but does not exceed £20,000	£2,092	£200	£534
Exceeds £20,000 but does not exceed £25,000	£2,391	£230	£612
Exceeds £25,000 but does not exceed £35,000	£2,630	£301	£763
Exceeds £35,000 but does not exceed £45,000	£2,869	£369	£917
Additional Days	50% of solicitor's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate, not exceeding £600	N/A	50% of counsel's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate

**Table 3:****Ejectment proceedings for the Recovery of property – Plaintiff's and Defendant's Remuneration**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Proceedings for the recovery of possession of premises by a statutory body	£132	£64
In other cases, where valuation does not exceed £4,060	£321	£123

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In other cases, where valuation exceeds £4,060	£458	£230
Additional days	50% of solicitor's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate, not exceeding £600	50% of counsel's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate

**Table 4:**

**Plaintiff's Remuneration in Remitted Actions**

<i>Amount decreed (or value of case as assessed by Department)</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Does not exceed £1,000	£538	£180
Exceeds £1,000 but does not exceed £2,500	£1,136	£263
Exceeds £2,500 but does not exceed £5,000	£1,614	£383
Exceeds £5,000 but does not exceed £7,500	£2,092	£478
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Exceeds £20,000 but does not exceed £25,000	£4,253	£953
Exceeds £25,000 but does not exceed £30,000	£4,692	£1,060
Drafting notice for, or replies to notice for, particulars –payable to either the solicitor or counsel	£43	
Drafting interrogatories, or answers to interrogatories, as certified by the judge	£70	£70



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Additional Days	50% of solicitor's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate, not exceeding £600	50% of counsel's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate
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Table 5:

#### Defendant's Remuneration in Remitted Actions

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Fee Payable	£2869	£718
Drafting notice for, or replies to notice for, particulars –payable to either the solicitor or counsel, as certified by the judge	£43	
Additional Days	50% of solicitor's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate, not exceeding £600	50% of counsel's scale fee on the amount claimed or decreed, as appropriate

Table 6:

#### Interlocutory Applications

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>&gt;Counsel</i>
Instruction, drawing Notice of Motion etc.	£118.56	£118.56
Attending before Judge on notice or ex-parte	£59.28	£59.28
Drawing up list of documents under Order 15	£42.07	£42.07

Table 7:

#### Occasional Costs

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Rate</i>
Affidavit of Service	£2.72
Other Affidavit	£1.12
Preparing Recognizance	£3.12
Drawing, issuing and serving a witness summons	£9.10
Drawing costs and copies	£6.74 per page
Attending taxation	£11.39 per hour

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**Table 8:****Limited Certificates**

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
Counsel's Opinion	£75	£30
- up to 5 pages	£75	£50
- up to 7 pages	£75	£65
Engineer's Report	£100	N/A
Engineer's Report (no details provided)	£75	N/A
Medical Report	£50	N/A
Issue and service of Civil Bill, Replies and Discovery	£200	N/A
Stamp Duty	£50	N/A
Stamp Duty with other limitation	£100	N/A
Discovery	£50	N/A

**[<sup>F14</sup>Table 9:**

**Proceedings which have been withdrawn, abandoned  
or discontinued -Full certificates Solicitor**

<b>Work Type</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Consultation, Preparation, Waiting and Attending Court	£30 per hour
Letters and Telephone Calls	£3.35 per item
Non Standard telephone call (over 5 minutes)	£30 per hour]

**F14** Sch. 4 Pt. 4 Table 9 inserted (1.7.2019) by The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 (S.R. 2019/119), arts. 1, **8(5)**

**PART 5****High Court Proceedings**

**F15** ...

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015, SCHEDULE 4. (See end of Document for details)

**Table 1:**

**[<sup>F16</sup>High Court Bail Applications and Variation Applications – Standard Fees]**

<i>Solicitor</i>	<i>Counsel</i>
£180	£180

**F15** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 5 omitted (1.7.2019) by virtue of [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(6)(a)**

**F16** Sch. 4 Pt. 5 Table 1 heading substituted (1.7.2019) by [The Civil Legal Services \(Remuneration\) \(Amendment\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2019 \(S.R. 2019/119\)](#), arts. 1, **8(6)(b)**

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**Proceedings which have been withdrawn, abandoned or discontinued**

Solicitor's remuneration can be claimed on the basis of either Composite Fees (Table 2), or Hourly Rates (Table 3), at the election of the solicitor

**Table 2:**

**Solicitor – Composite Fees**

<i>Department's assessment of value of the claim</i>	<i>After Writ</i>	<i>After Statement of Claim</i>	<i>After Defence</i>	<i>After Warned List</i>	<i>Within 21 Days of Trial</i>
Does not exceed £14,999	£2,515	£3,165	£3,565	£4,230	£4,885
£15,000 – £19,999	£2,910	£3,565	£3,960	£4,755	£5,680
£20,000 – £24,999	£3,435	£4,090	£4,485	£5,012	£6,075
£25,000 – £29,999	£3,690	£4,360	£4,755	£5,410	£6,470
£30,000 – £34,999	£3,960	£4,620	£5,155	£5,805	£6,870
£35,000 – £39,999	£4,230	£4,885	£5,410	£6,205	£7,260
£40,000 – £44,999	£4,485	£5,155	£5,805	£6,600	£7,655

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£45,000 £49,999	– £4,720	£5,410	£6,205	£7,000	£8,050
£50,000 £54,999	– £5,015	£5,680	£6,600	£7,395	£8,450
£55,000 £59,999	– £5,280	£5,940	£7,000	£7,795	£8,845
£60,000 £64,999	– £5,550	£6,205	£7,395	£8,190	£9,245
£65,000 £69,999	– £5,805	£6,470	£7,795	£8,580	£9,640
£70,000 £74,999	– £6,075	£6,730	£8,190	£8,975	£10,035
£75,000 £79,999	– £6,330	£6,985	£8,580	£9,370	£10,435
£80,000 £84,999	– £6,600	£7,290	£8,975	£9,770	£10,830
£85,000 £89,999	– £6,870	£7,525	£9,370	£10,165	£11,220
£90,000 £94,999	– £7,130	£7,795	£9,770	£10,560	£11,615
£95,000 £99,999	– £7,395	£8,050	£10,165	£10,960	£12,010

**Table 3:**

### Solicitor – Hourly Rates

Item of Work	Rate
Consultation, Preparation, Travel and Waiting	£94 per hour
Letters and Telephone Calls	£9.40 per item
Non Standard telephone call (over 5 minutes)	£94 per hour]

**F17** Sch. 4 Pt. 5 Table 3 substituted (1.7.2019) by The Civil Legal Services (Remuneration) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 (S.R. 2019/119), arts. 1, **8(6)(c)**

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### Counsel's Fees – Pleadings and Interlocutory Matters

**Table 4:**

**Chancery Division**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Writ	£40
Statement of Claim	£150
Defence	£150
Defence and Counterclaim	£175
Reply and Defence to Counterclaim	£100
Reply	£35

**Table 5:**

**Originating Proceedings**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Originating Summons or Notice of Motion	£65
Brief on Hearing of Summons or Ex-parte application	£100
Minute of Judgment	£70
Motion for Judgment	£125

**Table 6:**

**Proceedings by Petition (not including divorce)**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Petition or Answer	£85
Other Pleadings	£65
Brief on Hearing of Summons or Motion	£100

**Table 7:**

**Queen's Bench Division**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Writ (generally endorsed)	£35
Writ (specially endorsed)	£75
Statement of Claim (all cases)	£150
Defence	£150
Defence with Particulars	£80
Defence and Counterclaim	£175

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Reply and Defence to Counterclaim	£100
Reply	£30
Third Party Notice	£75
Brief on Ex-parte Hearing	£100
Brief on Hearing of Summons or Motion	£100
Special Appointments Hearing in Motion Court	£200

**Table 8:**

**Family Division – Probate**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Motion Paper	£90
Motion	£90
Writ	£45
Brief on Ex-parte Hearing	£100
Brief on Hearing of Summons or Motion	£100
Statement of Claim or Defence	£150
Defence and Counterclaim	£175
Reply and Defence to Counterclaim	£100
Reply	£30

**Table 9:**

**Bankruptcy**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Examination of Witnesses	£130

**Table 10:**

**Judicial Review**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Ex-parte docket	£45
Order 53 Statement	£90
Certificate of Urgency	£30
Substantive Affidavit	£125

**Table 11:**  
**Ancillary Relief**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Summons	£45
Affidavit of Means etc.	£125

**Table 12:**  
**General**

<i>Item of Work</i>	
Affidavits (general)	£60
(exceptional)	£125
Notice of Motion / Summons	£65
Notice for Particulars or Answer thereto	£60
Notice to Admit to Facts	£65
Replies to Notice to Admit Facts	£75
Interrogatories and Answers	£100
Proofs (Liability Admitted) <sup>1</sup>	
Senior	£250
or Junior	£200
Proofs (Liability Denied) <sup>1</sup>	
Senior	£300
or Junior	£250
Supplementary Advice, where necessary	
Senior	£230
or Junior	£200
Opinions <sup>1</sup>	
Liability and quantum	£200
Liability only	£150
Quantum only	£150
Further	£80
Notice of Appeal <sup>1</sup>	£85
Consultation (including joint negotiations) up to one hour	
Senior	£185
Thereafter per half hour	£80

<sup>1</sup> to include consultation (if any)

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Consultation (including joint negotiations) up to one hour	
Junior (attending on senior)	£125
Thereafter per half hour	£55
Junior (without senior)	£150
Thereafter per half hour	£60
Appearance at Review/Application/Mention Hearing <sup>1</sup>	
-less than 30 minutes	£100
-up to 1 hour	(attended) £125 (unattended) £150
Core Issues	£125
Skeleton Argument	£125

<sup>1</sup> to include consultation (if any)

## PART 6

### Other Proceedings

#### Asylum and Immigration Proceedings before the First-Tier Tribunal and the Upper Tribunal

**Table 1:**

#### Solicitor – Composite Fees

<i>Item of Work</i>	<i>Composite Fee</i>
Representation at a Case Management Review Hearing for First-Tier Tribunal	£175
First-Tier Tribunal (including first leave application)	£1,200
Onward Appeal Hearing in Upper Tribunal (to include second leave application)	£1,200
Adjourned hearings which are part-heard or re-listed to be concluded on a separate date	£170 per day
Appeal withdrawn prior to the substantive hearing (20% of fee)	£240
Appeal withdrawn on the day of the substantive hearing (35% of fee)	£420
Asylum and Immigration Bail Hearing	£400



**Changes to legislation:**

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