
 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 70

OATHS

The Commissioners for Oaths (Fees) Order 1980*Made* - - - - 21st January 1980*Coming into Operation* 11th February 1980

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 216 of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act 1925(a) and with the concurrence of the Lord Chief Justice and Master of the Rolls, hereby makes the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Commissioners for Oaths (Fees) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 11th February 1980.

(2) In this Order the expression “commissioner for oaths” includes a solicitor exercising the powers of a commissioner for oaths under section 81 of the Solicitors Act 1974(b).

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the following fees shall be charged by commissioners for oaths:—

	£
For taking an affidavit, declaration or affirmation, for each person making the same	2.00
And in addition, for each exhibit therein referred to and required to be marked or for each schedule required to be marked50

(2) Where value added tax is payable by a commissioner for oaths supplying a service for which a fee is prescribed under paragraph (1), he shall charge for that service a fee of such an amount as, with the addition of the tax, is equal to the amount so prescribed.

3. The Commissioners for Oaths (Fees) Order 1975(c) is hereby revoked, save as to any fee due or payable before the commencement of this Order.

Dated 16th January 1980.

Hailsham of St. Marylebone, C.

We concur,

*Widgery, C.J.**Denning, M.R.*

Dated 21st January 1980.

(a) 1925 c. 49. The relevant amending enactment is the Solicitors Act 1974 (c. 47), Schedule 3.

(b) 1974 c. 47.

(c) S.I. 1975/1972.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order increases the fees chargeable by commissioners for oaths and practising solicitors for taking affidavits and similar declarations from £1.00 to £2.00 and for marking exhibits from 40p to 50p. The increased amounts include value added tax where payable.