
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 797

The Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2017

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2017.
- (2) This Order comes into operation on 1st January 2018.
- (3) In this Order—
 - (a) “diocesan board of finance” means in relation to a diocese, the board of that name constituted under the Diocesan Boards of Finance Measure 1925(1); and
 - (b) “the Measure” means the Ecclesiastical Fees Measure 1986.

Annual fees

2. Schedule 1 sets out the fees payable in respect of the year 2018—
 - (1) to diocesan registrars in respect of the duties of their office specified in Schedule 2; and
 - (2) to provincial registrars in respect of the duties of their office, except the duties and professional services specified in Part B of Table 2 in Schedule 1.

Payment of fees

- 3.—(1) The fees set out in the second column of Table 1 of Schedule 1 are to be paid by the diocesan board of finance.
- (2) The fees set out in the third column of Table 1 and in Table 2 of Schedule 1 are to be paid by the diocesan bishop or archbishop(2).

Revocation of 2016 Order

4. The Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2016(3) is revoked.

Duties of the diocesan registrar

5. A diocesan registrar shall not be entitled to receive any additional remuneration for the duties specified in Schedule 2 except as provided in article 6.

Supplementary annual fee

- 6.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), nothing in this Order shall preclude a diocesan board of finance from agreeing to pay any sum to a diocesan registrar by way of annual fee or retainer which is additional to the fee payable under Table 1 of Schedule 1.
- (2) Any such agreement shall—

(1) 15 & 16 Geo. 5 No 3; relevant amendments were made by the Synodical Government Measure 1969 (1969 No 2).
(2) Section 8 of the Measure provides that any sum paid by a bishop or archbishop by virtue of any order made under the Measure shall be reimbursed by the Church Commissioners.
(3) [SI 2016/1272](#).

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- (a) be in writing;
- (b) be expressed to be an agreement made in accordance with this article; and
- (c) state the period for which it is to run, or, if no such period is stated, remain binding until determined by not less than three months' notice on either side.

Travel, subsistence and accommodation

7. A fee specified in Schedule 1 shall be increased by a sum for reasonable expenses of travel, subsistence and accommodation.

Value Added Tax

8. Where Value Added Tax is chargeable in respect of the provision of any service for which a fee is prescribed in this Order (including any fee specified in paragraph 4 of Schedule 2) the amount of Value Added Tax chargeable is payable in addition to that fee.

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