

## **Terms and Conditions**

All briefs, instructions and request for work to be completed (whether in new or existing cases) which are received from solicitor or other authorised persons (within the meaning of s18(1)(a) of the Legal Services Act 2007) shall be accepted only upon the Bar's Standard Contractual Terms for the Supply of Legal Services (Annexe T to the Bar Code of Conduct) unless other terms have been expressly agreed with the barrister concerned.

The 'cab rank rule' applies only to work offered on the Standard Terms or on the Barrister's own terms

Fees for advisory work are charged at an hourly rate that will depend upon:

- a) the seniority of the barrister
- b) the complexity of the matter
- c) the urgency required

Our Practice Director will be pleased to supply a fixed quotation for a specific piece of work in advance.

Any briefs or instructions will be reviewed within 5 days of receipt (or sooner if marked 'urgent') to ensure that the work required can be completed within the requested time. If for some reason this is not possible, you will be invited to consider the reallocation of such work to another member of Chambers.

Any paperwork will be completed within 21 days of receipt (or sooner if required). In the event that we are unable to comply with this timescale, you will be notified immediately and alternative arrangements will be discussed.

If you require any paperwork to receive urgent attention, we would ask that you contact our Practice Director in advance to discuss your requirements.

Brief fees will depend upon the scale and complexity of any litigation and the likely length of any trial. Again, our Practice Director will be pleased to supply a fixed quotation where possible.

When you contact our Practice Director to book counsel for a Court appearance, you will be advised whether that barrister has another pre-existing commitment. If you wish to double book that barrister, we will liaise with you prior to the Court date to discus, if necessary, alternative counsel. In the unlikely event that we cannot supply acceptable cover for a hearing we will then assist you in finding alternative Chambers who may be able to help.

We shall endeavour to arrive promptly at Court to enable conference with you and your client to take place prior to any hearing.

For the terms and conditions applying to Public Access work, please see the Public Access page. We are happy to receive instructions and papers in electronic format.

Invoices will be submitted promptly at the conclusion of any work done or at an agreed stage of such work Any invoice for privately funded work should be settled within 30 days unless other arrangements have been made in advance via the Practice Director.

No work can be accepted from any professional client listed on the 'Withdrawal of Credit Scheme' unless a Public Funding Certificate is in place or payment has been received in advance.