

We are able to assist with all ranges of immigration cases on a direct/public access basis. The section below only applies to appeals in the First-Tier tribunal.

Public Access - Immigration Tribunal (First-tier Tribunal)

Barristers of the Immigration Team are available to advise you on your immigration matter in the First-Tier Tribunal (Immigration and Asylum Chamber).

Please note that barristers are not allowed to do legal aid work on a public access basis. To help you make an informed decision about whether to apply for legal aid or proceed with a public access instruction, you can use the legal aid eligibility calculator on the gov.uk website – [here](#).

Timescales

The timescales for each case may vary depending on the nature of the work to be completed, a barrister's availability, the need for additional documents, the nature and complexity of the case, whether there is any urgency, as well as external factors such as, Tribunal listing dates and the Home Office approach to your case.

As you must appeal a decision from the Home Office (that carries a right of appeal) within 14 days (if the person concerned is in the UK) or 28 days (if outside the UK), please complete the direct access form which you can access [here](#) or, alternatively, contact our immigration clerks as soon as possible using the contact details below. If you need advice and/or representation at short notice, please contact the clerks as soon as possible: our barristers will aim to advise you and/or represent you at a hearing, where possible.

Fees

It is not possible to itemise each item of work that may form the basis of an instruction. The fees, whether hourly or at fixed rates, may vary depending on the nature and complexity of the case, volume of paperwork, whether any urgency and lateness of instruction, seniority of Counsel requested, the venue of the proceedings, duration of travel & cost etc. Travel to Courts outside London will attract an additional charge depending on location.

We normally charge at hourly rates or by agreement, fees can be capped at a fixed rate, which means that we will charge you a set amount of money for the work. **Estimated** fees below are indications only. It is not possible to state the precise fee for your needs here so please feel free to contact the Immigration Clerking Team in order to receive a quotation (see contact details below). The fees also exclude VAT, which would be charged in addition, where applicable.

We charge an administration fee of £25 plus VAT for administrative services provided, including photocopying, printing up to 200 pages (black and white only). We charge a further fee of £10 plus VAT (£12 in total) for every further 100 pages of printing.

Key Stages of Case	Examples of fixed/capped fees
Initial conference	Up to £1,500
Written advice on appeal	Up to £2,500
Preparation of appeal, including assistance with completion of appeal forms	Up to £3,000
CMRH / Directions	Up to £2,500
Tribunal hearing	Up to £5,000
Refresher	Up to £2,500

Hourly rates

Our hourly professional fees with one of our barristers for work undertaken in London are typically as follows: o £250 - £450 per hour

Whichever level of barrister you choose, we will ask for payment in advance of the work being undertaken.

All information is correct as of 30.06.2023, but fees are estimates only. If you have any further enquiries please feel free to contact us using the enquiry form, on the Direct Access page, with the details of your case. Alternatively, for quotations or any further queries, please contact us.