

## Immigration

### Costs information

We are very aware that applying for visas, especially those for family members, can not only be very stressful but high government fees also make it expensive. We have therefore clearly outlined below what our professional fees start at, and what they do and not include.

### Immigration Advice (consultation)

We generally charge a fixed fee of £250 to provide advice. We will advise you in person or over the telephone and the consultation is limited to one particular immigration matter over a single conversation or continued with a follow up conversation as required but is limited to 1 hour or thereabouts. Should you then decide to instruct us to represent you with an application or particular matter we will then deduct the consultation fee you have already paid from your bill.

Examples of our fees for representing you with an application appeal are as follows;

- **Naturalisation or Registration** from £1,500 + VAT\*
- **Visitor visas** from £1,000 + VAT \*
- **Family members of a British citizen or settles persons – Leave to Enter (Entry clearance) or Leave to Remain** from £1,600 + VAT\*
- **Indefinite Leave to Remain under 5-year or 10-year routes** from £2,000 + VAT\*
- **Students – Leave to Enter (Entry clearance) or Leave to Remain** from £1,000 + VAT\*
- **Work Visas – Leave to Enter (Entry clearance) or Leave to Remain** from £2,000 + VAT\*

Our fees for representing you with an immigration appeal, administrative or judicial review are as follows;

- **Appeal, administrative or judicial review Appeals** from £2,000 + VAT\*

We will of course offer you a more accurate estimate once we have the required information about your specific case.

**\* VAT is chargeable in every case except where our client is a resident outside of the British Isles**

The fees listed above include our professional fees and excludes disbursements such as but not limited to:

- Home office associated fees.
- Postage fees.
- Attendance fees: such as where you require us to escort you to the Home Office, Tribunal, etc.
- Interpreter's fees:
- Agency fees, such as organisations authorized to provide services related to issuing Home Office approved documents.
- Translation fees for documents not in English, etc.

Disbursements are costs related to your matter that are payable to third parties, such as Home Office application fee (visa fee). We handle the payment of the disbursements on your behalf.

Our quoted professional fees includes:

- Discussing your circumstances and confirming what is the most appropriate application for you to make and what other options may be available to you.
- Giving advice about the requirements of the immigration Rules and whether you meet the criteria. If you do not fulfil certain criteria, whether this can be overcome and how.
- Considering and reviewing the supporting documents.
- Taking instructions and providing advice.
- Preparing and submitting the application, and
- Giving you advice about timeline and outcome of the application.

The quote for our professional fees does not include:

- Where the Home Office refuses your application, advice and assistance in relation to any appeal.
- Additional follow ups with the Home Office.

Our professional fees will be higher depending on (but not limited to) the;

- Amount of supporting evidence that we need to consider.
- Complex financial circumstances or documents, e.g., where a minimum threshold/income is required.
- Which language(s) you speak.
- Whether you are applying with dependents.
- The complexity of your case, e.g., previous refusals, criminal convictions, overstaying, etc,
- Timing of your instructions, e.g., where a case is urgent

Any additional work not discussed or known to us at the time of your instruction will be billed at our hourly rate of £250.00. You will be informed as soon as practicable before any additional fees accrued.

## **Typical timescales**

Upon your instructions to us we will usually prepare your case within a period of 1-3 weeks unless we are prevented from doing so. Reasons for this include but are not limited to waiting on additional supporting documentation. Home Office immigration records or simply because you are not eligible to lodge an application. Once an application has been received by the Home Office waiting times vary considerably from 48 hours to up to 12 months depending on the location of the application, category type, level of service purchased and complexity of case. Appeal cases can take up to 6 months to be heard.

Be rest assured we will be able to offer more precise timings upon your instructions to us.