## HIGH COURT OF JUSTICIARY (at GLASGOW)

THE LEGAL AID (Scotland) (Criminal Proceedings)
SCHEME 1964

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Accused:

- tried 29/6/81 to 17/7/81

Result : Guilty



EDINBURGH, 20th January 1982. The Auditor taxes the fees due to Counsel as undernoted for his whole trouble at the sum of Four thousand pounds (£4,000) to which Value Added Tax will fall to be added.

AUDITOR OF HIGH COURT OF JUSTICIARY

Note referred to:-

T.A.K. Drummond, Advocate

£4,000

Agents:- Messrs. Levy & MacRae

Auditor's Fee

£120.00

VAT at 15%

18.00

£138.00

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Please quote Faculty Services Ref. on all correspondence CASE 10 others CLIENT Love L.A. CERT NO. HH T.A.K. Druggond, Esq. ADVOCATE CODE D10 VAT REG. NO. Item Date Details flem Amount Consultation Barlinnie 65.00 Consultation Barlinnie 65.00 3 Days Preparation Attendance Glasgow for Sentence TAXATION OF TAXATION 525.00 29.6.81 -,825.00 17.7.31 LEGAL AID CENTRAL COMMIT 30.7.81 175.00 Miles PAYED BY THE AUDITOR OF THE COURT 4,655.00 4000000 OF SESSION TOTAL VAT AT 15% 698.25 The tax date for this supply is the date of payment - not the date of issue. A copy of this note must be returned with any payment or challenge, 5,353.25

S. O'Connor - Ext. 5

The Auditor of the Court of Session, 28 North Bridge, EDINBURGH.

SOC/JS

& Others.

19th January, 1982

Dear Sir,

Legal Aid in Criminal Causes H.M.A. v. & Others

I enclose herewith, as requested, a copy of Mr. T.A.K. Drummond's fee note in the above case. I understand that the Auditor taxed Mr. Drummond's fees at £4000 plus V.A.T. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

for

Secretary.

£138.00

## MEMO

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From:

Date: 7th January, 1982

H.M.A. v.

As you will see from Mr. T.A.K. Drummond, Advocate's Fee Note, he is claiming a 17 day Trial. However, there is an error in the Fee Note - it should in actual fact read 15 days Trial. Mr. Drummond's Clerk, confirmed that there was an error in the Fee Note some time in November. You should perhaps point this out to the Auditor at the start of the Taxation. The Committee's original offer to Mr. Drummond was £3,800. This was made on the assumption that the Trial lasted for 17 days. However, after further consideration, this was restricted to the sum of £3,680.

The only real dispute between Mr. Drummond's claim and the fee fixed by the Committee is the three days preparation, which has been claimed at £175 per day. The scale fee for a Trial in Glasgow at the relevant time was £160 per day. The Committee fixed the fee for Mr. Drummond and other Advocates involved in representing the co-accused at £225 per day. In fixing the fee at this sum, the Committee were taking into account the amount of preparation which was involved. You could perhaps point out to the Auditor that he has already taxed Mr. Donald Macaulay Q.C.'s fees for representing one of the co-accused at £275 per day, which incidentally was the fee fixed by the Committee. Some of the other Junior Counsel involved in this case have accepted and been paid the Committee's fee of £225 per day. The Junior to Mr. Drummond, Mr. J.R. Wallace, Advocate's fees have been agreed and paid.

If the Auditor allows Mr. Drummond more than the fees fixed by the Committee, do not ask the Auditor for a note.