DECISION OF AUDITOR – COUNSELS' FEES – CRIMINAL

DATE OF DECISION

NAME OF CASE

CASE TYPE

AUDITOR

COUNSEL/SOLICITOR ADVOCATE

AMOUNT(S) AWARDED

FEATURES

^{11.12.95} EL

HMA -V-

Murder and attempted murder, Glasgow High Court

J Haldane Tait, Court of Session

SC

£650 per day (SC) – conduct of trial (to subsume preparation)

£369 per day (SC) – conduct of trial for days that lasted less than a day

Trial commenced on 03.08.95 – lasted 23 days. Trial concluded on 02.09.95.

Defences of alibi, self defence and incrimination of co-accused.

Long and particularly acrimonious trial.

Assisting JC.

Auditor considered separate preparation fee of £300 for 6 hours should be subsumed within the daily trial fee.