

Scottish Legal Aid Board Annual Report 2018-2019
Legal assistance fees paid to solicitor-advocates - top 20 comparison



| Position in | | | | | Total fees (inc VAT) in | | | Change on 2017-18 | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|
| 2016-2017 | 2017-2018 | 2018-2019 | Forenames | Surname | Firm Name(s) | 2016-2017 £000 | 2017-2018 £000 | 2018-2019 £000 | £000 | % |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | IAIN M | PATERSON | PATERSON BELL SOLICITORS | 222 | 242 | 258 | 16 | 7 |
| 10 | 8 | 2 | GERARD | CONSIDINE | FITZPATRICK & CO SOLICITORS | 93 | 83 | 135 | 52 | 63 |
| 9 | 9 | 3 | EWEN | ROY | ADAMS WHYTE SOLICITORS | 100 | 81 | 128 | 46 | 57 |
| 16 | 13 | 4 | JOHN | SCOTT Q.C. | CAPITAL DEFENCE; JOHN SCOTT QC | 63 | 39 | 127 | 88 | 228 |
| 3 | 6 | 5 | BRIAN G | GILFEDDER | GILFEDDER & MCINNES SOLICITORS | 169 | 86 | 127 | 41 | 48 |
| 12 | 3 | 6 | KRISTA I | JOHNSTON | MARTIN, JOHNSTON & SOCHA LTD SOLICITORS | 88 | 100 | 117 | 17 | 17 |
| 8 | 5 | 7 | CHRISTOPHER | FYFFE | CHRIS FYFFE SOLICITOR ADVOCATE | 106 | 96 | 111 | 15 | 16 |
| 4 | 4 | 8 | JOHN | KEENAN | CAPITAL DEFENCE LAWYERS; PATERSON BELL SOLICITORS | 148 | 98 | 110 | 12 | 12 |
| 5 | 2 | 9 | GORDON | MARTIN | MARTIN, JOHNSTON & SOCHA LTD SOLICITORS | 136 | 125 | 80 | -44 | -36 |
| 14 | 7 | 10 | RHONDA M | ANDERSON | BRUCE MCCORMACK | 73 | 84 | 77 | -7 | -9 |
| 20 | 15 | 11 | MARCO | GUARINO | GUARINO & THOMSON | 50 | 38 | 66 | 28 | 75 |
| 24 | 18 | 12 | WILLIAM M | LAVELLE | WILLIAM LAVELLE SOLICITOR | 42 | 33 | 52 | 20 | 61 |
| 18 | 25 | 13 | LEANNE | MCQUILLAN | GILFEDDER & MCINNES SOLICITORS | 56 | 24 | 52 | 29 | 120 |
| 13 | 11 | 14 | SHAHID | LATIF | CRAIG WOOD SOLICITORS | 77 | 63 | 50 | -14 | -22 |
| 30 | 20 | 15 | ANN | OGG | ANN OGG SOLICITOR ADVOCATE | 32 | 29 | 47 | 18 | 63 |
| 28 | 12 | 16 | JOHN | CARROLL | JOHN CARROLL & CO SOLICITORS | 34 | 55 | 43 | -12 | -21 |
| - | - | 17 | KRISTOFER | GILMARTIN | GILMARTIN FINLAY MACRAE (Formerly FINLAY MACRAE GILMARTIN WARDEN) | - | - | 35 | - | - |
| 15 | 21 | 18 | ROBERT | MITCHELL | TOD & MITCHELL SOLICITORS | 64 | 29 | 33 | 4 | 15 |
| 19 | 22 | 19 | SIMON G C | COLLINS | COLLINS AND CO | 50 | 28 | 32 | 4 | 14 |
| 7 | 14 | 20 | LIAM | EWING | LIAM EWING SOLICITOR ADVOCATE LTD | 111 | 39 | 28 | -10 | -27 |
| Top 20 Total | | | | | | 1,715 | 1,370 | 1,709 | 338 | 25 |
| Previous Years' Top 20 Solicitor Advocates' Earnings | | | | | | 2,044 | 1,470 | - | 239 | 16 |
| Total paid to all solicitor advocates | | | | | | 2,983 | 1,977 | 2,318 | 341 | 17 |

Note

This table shows the 20 highest-earning solicitor advocates between 1 April 2018 and 31 March 2019. The fees paid for the same 20 in the previous two financial years are also shown. The list of high-earning solicitor advocates will change every year. Therefore, there is also a like for like comparison made with the earnings of the top 20 solicitor advocates each year. Payments comprise electronic payments transferred to the firms' bank accounts and cheques dated between those dates. In some cases, money may have been paid, but returned to us, and any such amounts processed by our accounts system between those dates have been deducted. If a solicitor advocate has been paid with more than one firm each firm is shown separated by a semi-colon. Amounts are rounded to the nearest £1000.