THE SCOTTISH LEGAL AID BOARD

TAXATION DECISION

TO:

DATE: 19 November 1999

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SUBJECT: : CI/02/6002191/96

I attended the taxation at Hamilton on 12 November at which time we resolved the disputed items. The Auditor decided not to charge the audit fee (about £100) on this basis.

You will see I made a note of the working out on an A4 sheet. £71.98 falls to be deducted in respect of the entries from 30 December 1996 to and including 6 January 1997 (in relation to the motion). We have allowed the letter which appears in the midst of all that claimed at £15.20. The £22 court dues is also deducted.

Thereafter £150 is deducted as a global figure for post report work which, together with an adjustment of the posts and incidents bringing down a total of £247.62 deduction.

I have worked out the new total.

I return herewith the papers including the account.

NOTE: The difficulty in this particular taxation was the terms of the interlocutors. The first general interlocutor did not restrict the curator *ad litem's* work to the preparation of a report.

The third interlocutor seemed to open up the prospect of remuneration for work other than the report. On the circumstances of this case, I compromised. The Auditor indicated that he would have viewed the Board's position more favourably had the interlocutor tended to restrict itself to the preparation and payment of a report.

TOTAL PAYABLE TO CLEATOR = £2659-00