

Scottish Legal Aid Board Annual Report 2017-2018
Legal assistance fees paid to solicitor-advocates - top 20 comparison



Position in			Total fees (inc VAT) in				Change on 2016-17			
2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	Forenames	Surname	Firm Name(s)	2015-2016 £000	2016-2017 £000	2017-2018 £000	£000 [□]	%
1	1	1	IAIN M	PATERSON	PATERSON BELL SOLICITORS	195	222	242	21	9
2	5	2	GORDON	MARTIN	MARTIN, JOHNSTON & SOCHA LTD SOLICITORS	157	136	125	-12	-9
33	12	3	KRISTA I	JOHNSTON	MARTIN, JOHNSTON & SOCHA LTD SOLICITORS	30	88	100	12	14
12	4	4	JOHN	KEENAN	CAPITAL DEFENCE LAWYERS	75	148	98	-49	-33
8	8	5	CHRISTOPHER	FYFFE	CHRIS FYFFE SOLICITOR ADVOCATE; BRUCE SHORT & CO SOLICITORS	90	106	96	-10	-9
3	3	6	BRIAN G	GILFEDDER	GILFEDDER & MCINNES SOLICITORS	124	169	86	-83	-49
13	14	7	RHONDA M	ANDERSON	BRUCE MCCORMACK; RHONDA ANDERSON SOLICITOR ADVOCATE	74	73	84	11	14
9	10	8	GERARD	CONSIDINE	FITZPATRICK & CO SOLICITORS	86	93	83	-10	-11
4	9	9	EWEN	ROY	ADAMS WHYTE SOLICITORS	121	100	81	-19	-19
20	11	10	J D M	MACARA Q.C.	MURRAY MACARA LS LTD SOLICITORS	51	92	80	-12	-13
10	13	11	SHAHID	LATIF	CRAIG WOOD SOLICITORS	81	77	63	-14	-18
7	28	12	JOHN	CARROLL	JOHN CARROLL & CO SOLICITORS	92	34	55	20	59
5	16	13	JOHN	SCOTT Q.C.	CAPITAL DEFENCE LAWYERS	112	63	39	-24	-38
6	7	14	LIAM	EWING	LIAM EWING SOLICITOR ADVOCATE LTD	93	111	39	-73	-65
-	20	15	MARCO	GUARINO	GUARINO & THOMSON	-	50	38	-12	-25
48	40	16	GRAEME R	BROWN	G R BROWN SOLICITORS; THOMPSON & BROWN SOLICITORS	13	18	35	17	91
-	33	17	CALUM J M	WEIR	PENMANS SOLICITORS	-	27	34	8	28
18	24	18	WILLIAM M	LAVELLE	WILLIAM LAVELLE SOLICITOR; BRIDGE LITIGATION UK LTD	52	42	33	-10	-23
16	17	19	JAMES R	WALLACE	JAMES R WALLACE SOLICITORS	58	56	31	-26	-46
50	30	20	ANN	OGG	ANN OGG SOLICITOR ADVOCATE	13	32	29	-4	-11
Top 20 Total						1,515	1,738	1,470	-268	-15
Previous Years' Top 20 Solicitor Advocates' Earnings						1,761	2,044		-574	-28
Total paid to all solicitor advocates						2,754	2,983	1,977	-1,005	-34

Note

This table shows the 20 highest-earning solicitor advocates between 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018. 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.