

**The total civil and criminal legal aid fees paid for each of the top five solicitors and counsel each year**

<b><u>Fees for Civil Legal Aid Lawyer ( million dollars )</u></b>					
<b>Rank</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Solicitor</b>					
1	5.47	4.29	6.47	6.69	8.54
2	5.26	4.25	5.33	5.91	6.60
3	4.76	4.16	5.05	5.77	6.07
4	4.49	3.76	4.99	4.84	5.53
5	4.22	3.74	4.94	4.74	5.42
<b>Counsel</b>					
1	3.95	4.51	3.59	2.17	3.31
2	3.16	3.34	2.12	2.13	2.65
3	2.53	2.81	1.74	1.98	2.16
4	1.98	2.60	1.70	1.97	1.98
5	1.87	2.54	1.67	1.90	1.83

<b><u>Fees for Criminal Legal Aid Lawyer ( million dollars )</u></b>					
<b>Rank</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Solicitor</b>					
1	0.66	1.18	1.12	1.31	1.75
2	0.62	0.83	0.90	1.17	1.62
3	0.55	0.43	0.83	1.13	1.47
4	0.55	0.42	0.81	1.10	1.18
5	0.52	0.41	0.72	1.03	1.08
<b>Counsel</b>					
1	1.22	2.07	1.59	2.78	3.76
2	1.13	1.01	1.28	2.30	2.80
3	1.03	0.98	1.23	2.11	2.72
4	0.99	0.92	1.12	1.87	2.30
5	0.95	0.88	1.06	1.87	2.14

Note 1: The information on the legal aid fees paid to solicitors or counsel is cash based. The amount paid to an individual solicitor or counsel may not correspond entirely with the legal aid work assigned to him/her within the same period.

2: The solicitors and counsel ranked top five in terms of the legal aid fees paid in one year may not be the same as the other year.

3: The solicitors and counsel ranked top five in terms of the legal aid fees paid in one year may not be the same as those assigned with the largest number of cases.