

## The Costs of Mediation

Field Court Chambers can be flexible on costs.

The Clerks are conversant with the needs of our professional as well as our lay clients and will discuss the needs and constraints of each case individually.

However, purely as a guideline, the cost of the mediation will be governed either by the amount of time estimated for the actual mediation together with reading or preparation time, or alternatively by the value of the claim, whether in purely monetary terms, or in terms of the importance to the parties.

In terms of time, and again, purely as a guideline, parties may take the sum of £875 plus vat payable by each party (£1,750 plus Vat in total) as the cost of an average two-party mediation, consisting of a full day's mediation (8 hours) and up to 4 hours of reading/preparation.

Insofar as value is concerned, a sliding scale of charges for mediation, payable by each party including preparation time, which might apply in some cases, is set out below.

Value of Claim	Fees per party (plus vat)
£5,000 or less	£200 (2 hours)
£5,000 to £15,000	£300 (3 hours)
Up to £15,000	£750 (8hrs+ 2hrs prep)
£15,000 to £50,000	£750-£1,250 (8hrs + 4hrs prep)
£50,000 to £100,000	£1,250 - £1,500 (8hrs + 4hrs prep)
£100,000 to £500,000	£1,500 to £2,000 (8hrs + 4hrs prep)
Above £500,000	Negotiable

There are some occasions when a case has no clear monetary value but is none the less important to the parties. In such cases a fee will be agreed according to the complexity of the dispute and all other relevant factors.

Legal Aid is available for all mediations in Civil cases. Venue Available: Field Court is able to offer excellent 'neutral' mediation facilities in Gray's Inn or close by.