

Debt Recovery fees

1. Initial review and letter of advice - £225 + VAT.

2. Letter of claim - £225 + VAT.

3. Commencing court proceedings: -

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| Money Claims Online (up to £100,000) | £450 + VAT + court fee |
| Paper claim | £675 + VAT + court fee |

4. Once proceedings are commenced (and if the claim is defended) there are several steps to follow before getting to a final hearing. These can include: -

- Consider/reply to Defence
- Allocation questionnaire and directions
- Interim applications
- Settlement discussions/mediation
- Disclosure and inspection of documents
- Witness statements
- Pre-trial checklist
- Trial Bundle
- Instructions to advocate
- Trial

This work is charged on a time taken basis and does vary from case to case.

If no defence is filed and we obtain a default judgment, then it may only take a further 1 – 2 hours to get to the enforcement stage (£225 - £450 + VAT).

A straightforward defended claim might involve 20 – 30 hours of work (£4,500 - £6,750 + VAT + court fees + disbursements).

A complex defended claim could take up 50 – 100 hours or more (£11,250 - £22,500 + VAT + court fees + disbursements).

5. In addition to our fees, you will be responsible for advocate fees for the final hearing and court fees. Advocate's fees will depend upon the length of the hearing and the seniority of the advocate. Court fees will depend on the value of the amount claimed; please see Court form number EX50.

6. If we are successful in obtaining a judgment against the Defendant but the debt is not paid, you will then need to enforce the judgement by making a further application to the Court e.g. charging order against property. Such applications will be charged on a time taken basis and charged at £225+VAT per hour (plus court fees).

Timescale to final trial

12 - 18 months if not defended

18-30 months if defended

Persons who will carry out the work: -

Mr Hassan Shah, Supervising Solicitor in this area, qualified in 2001
Miss Christina Chappell, Solicitor, qualified in 2016