



THE LAW SOCIETY
OF NEW SOUTH WALES

FEES FOR ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

(as of 9 February 2018)

The Family Law Settlement Service (FLSS)

The fee payable is \$990.00 (including GST) per party – this covers the mediator’s fee (\$825.00) and The Law Society of New South Wales administration fee (\$165.00).

Details:

The Family Law Settlement Service (FLSS) is a mediation program, administered by the Law Society of New South Wales’ Alternative Dispute Resolution department, suitable for family law matters (financial and property disputes as well as parenting matters).

The FLSS offers a five-hour mediation session (including a two-hour preliminary conference – one hour per party - and a three-hour mediation session) conducted by an accredited mediator with experience in family law.

The mediator’s fee is refundable if a party withdraws prior to the preliminary conference. However only \$412.50 per party is refundable should the matter be withdrawn after the preliminary conference, but before the mediation. In all cases the administration fee is retained by The Law Society of New South Wales.

The Law Society Mediation Program

The fee payable is \$825.00 (including GST) per party – this covers the mediator’s fee (\$660.00) and The Law Society of New South Wales administration fee (\$165.00).

Details:

The Law Society Mediation Program offers a four-hour mediation session (including a one hour preliminary conference for both parties and a three-hour mediation) conducted by a nationally accredited solicitor-mediator with expertise in the relevant area of law.

The mediator’s fee is refundable if a party withdraws prior to the preliminary conference. However only \$330.00 per party is refundable should the matter be withdrawn after the preliminary conference, but before the mediation. In all cases the administration fee is retained by The Law Society of New South Wales.

Presidential Appointments (Pursuant to dispute resolution clauses)

Arbitration

The party requesting the appointment must pay a non-refundable administration fee of \$330.00 (including GST). If both parties agree to the appointment, the administration fee may be shared equally between them.

The appointed arbitrator sets their own fees and invoices the parties directly.

Valuation (Market rent review)

The party requesting the appointment must pay a non-refundable administration fee of \$550.00 (including GST). If both parties agree to the appointment, the administration fee may be shared equally between them.

The appointed valuer sets their own fees and invoices the parties directly.

Mediator

The party requesting the appointment must pay a non-refundable administration fee of \$330.00 (including GST). If both parties agree to the appointment, the administration fee may be shared equally between them.

The appointed mediator sets their own fees and invoices the parties directly.

Independent Solicitor

The party requesting the appointment must pay a non-refundable administration fee of \$330.00 (including GST). If both parties agree to the appointment, the administration fee may be shared equally between them.

The appointed solicitor sets their own fees and invoices the parties directly.

Expert Determination

The party requesting the appointment must pay a non-refundable administration fee of \$330.00 (including GST). If both parties agree to the appointment, the administration fee may be shared equally between them.

The appointed expert sets their own fees and invoices the parties directly.