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Allocation to Areas of Practice

The following table is designed to give further guidance on the allocation of fee receipts to areas of practice. These guidelines are not intended to be exclusive, nor will the allocation in the table always be appropriate for every individual case which falls within the general description in the right hand column. The appropriate test is the underlying subject matter of the work from which the income is derived, not the court or other forum for proceedings, although this may assist in identifying the appropriate allocation. The identity of the client is not relevant (save for the purposes of the column on the renewal form headed ("% CROWN").

Please do not hesitate to consult the Managers for specific guidance in case of any doubt about the appropriate allocation.

	AREA OF PRACTICE	INCLUDES:
С	ADMIRALTY	Salvage, maritime collisions, limitation funds
D	COMMERCIAL (including Financial	Aviation
	Services)	Banking & Financial Services
		Carriage of Goods
		Civil Fraud
		Commodities
		Information Technology
		Insurance/reinsurance
		Media and Telecoms
		Shipping
FC	CRIME	Coroners' Inquests
		Extradition
		Fraud
		Proceeds of Crime and Asset Confiscation
		Race Relations
		Trading Standards
FD	PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE	Disciplinary Tribunals
		If acting as Chair, please declare as Arbitrator
G	DEFAMATION	
Н	EMPLOYMENT	Contracts and Entitlements
		Discrimination
		Dismissal
		Industrial Law / Trade Unions
	EUROPEAN	EU Law
J	FAMILY – CHILDREN	Care orders
		Contact and residence
		International Child Abduction
		Special Educational Needs
K	FAMILY – OTHER	Financial Provision
		NB: TOLATA cases between co-habitees should
		be allocated as "Chancery"



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L	IMMIGRATION	Deportation
M	INSOLVENCY	
N	INTERNATIONAL	Public International Law
PC	LANDLORD & TENANT	Commercial leases
10	(NON-RESIDENTIAL)	Agricultural leases
	or	Dilapidations and Disrepair (including cases
PD	LANDLORD & TENANT	involving Local Authority landlords)
FD		Domestic leases
	(RESIDENTIAL)	Rent review
	as appropriate	
		Determination
		Forfeiture Leasehold enfranchisement
0	LICENSING	
Q R	CONSTRUCTION	Puilding disputes
ĸ	CONSTRUCTION	Building disputes Construction law
S	DUDUC (proviously Derlismentory 8	Administrative law
3	PUBLIC (previously Parliamentary & Local Government)	Court of Protection: Health and Welfare
	Local Government)	
		Education law
		Homelessness Local Government
		Rights/duties of Local Authorities re:
		Housing policy
		Social security Health
		Constitutional law
		Judicial review (but see Explanatory Notes)
		Parliamentary
		Public inquiries
т	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY	Public law Breach of Confidence and Privacy
1	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY	Patents and Plant Varieties
		Registered designs and Copyright
		Trademarks and passing-off
U	PLANNING	Performing rights Planning Inquiries
0	FLANNING	Compulsory Acquisition
		Environmental
V	COMPETITION	Competition law
v	COMPETITION	Monopolies/mergers
W	REVENUE	Public Procurement
vv		Capital gains tax Income tax
	Crown Non-Crown – Contentious	Income tax Inheritance tax
	Non-Crown – Contentious Non-Crown – Non-Contentious	VAT
XC	as appropriate CHANCERY CONTENTIOUS	Restitution claims against HMRC Company
70	(ie litigation)	Charities
	or	Court of Protection: Property and Affairs
XD	CHANCERY NON-CONTENTIOUS	Partnership
	as appropriate	Wills, probate, trusts
		Property transfer (including <u>all</u> TOLATA cases)
		Boundary disputes
		Mineral rights
		Easement/covenants
YC	PERSONAL INJURY	Personal injury
10		Fatal injury
		Industrial disease
		Medical negligence
YD	PROFESSIONAL NEGLIGENCE	
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YE	OTHER COMMON LAW	Private nuisance
		Public nuisance
		Domestic insurance
		Consumer credit
		Consumer contracts
		Road accidents (non-personal injury)
		Negligence (other than professional)
		Actions against the police
		Costs litigation/Law of Costs
0	ARBITRATOR OR UMPIRE O	R Acting as Arbitrator, Umpire or Mediator
	MEDIATOR	Chair of enquiry
		Inspector, examiner
		Legal Assessor

Please note "OTHER".

Whilst BMIF will try to allocate any declarations under "Other" to the appropriate area, please note that the applicable rating is 2.25% if this is not possible.

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