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Allocation to Areas of Practice

The following table is designed to give further guidance on the allocation of fee income 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, and 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 the case of any doubt as to the appropriate allocation.

	AREA OF PRACTICE	INCLUDES:
С	ADMIRALTY	
D	COMMERCIAL	Aviation
		Carriage of goods
		Civil fraud
		Commodities
		Financial contracts
		Industrial contracts
		Information Technology / Computers
		Insurance/reinsurance
		Media
		Satellite and telecommunications
		Shipping
E	FINANCIAL SERVICES	
FC	CRIME	Coroners' inquests
		Extradition
		Fraud
		Race relations
		Trading standards
FD	PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE	Disciplinary tribunals.
		If acting as Chair please declare as Arbitrator
G	DEFAMATION	Breach of Privacy
Н	EMPLOYMENT	Contracts and entitlements
		Discrimination
		Dismissal
		Health and safety at work
		Industrial law / trade unions
Ι	EUROPEAN	EU law
J	FAMILY – CHILDREN	Care orders
		Custody
Κ	FAMILY – OTHER	Ancillary relief
		Divorce/cohabitation break-up



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L	IMMIGRATION	Deportation
М	INSOLVENCY	Directors' disqualification
Ν	INTERNATIONAL	Public International Law
PC	LANDLORD & TENANT	Commercial leases
	(NON-RESIDENTIAL)	Agricultural leases
	or	Domestic leases
PD	LANDLORD & TENANT	Rent review
	(RESIDENTIAL)	Determination
	as appropriate	Forfeiture
		Leasehold enfranchisement
Q	LICENSING	
R	CONSTRUCTION	Building disputes
		Construction law
S	PARLIAMENTARY AND	Administrative law
	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	Court of Protection : Health and Welfare
		Education law
		Homelessness
		Local authority
		Local government
		Rights/duties of Local Authorities re:
		Housing policy
		Social security
		Health
		Constitutional law
		Judicial review
		Parliamentary
		Public inquiries Public law
Т	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY	Patents and copyright
1	INTELLECTUAL FROFERTT	Registered designs
		Trademarks
		Performing rights
U	PLANNING	
V	COMPETITION	Competition law
		Monopolies/mergers
W	REVENUE	Capital gains tax
	Crown	Income tax
	Non-Crown – Contentious	Inheritance tax
	Non-Crown – Non-Contentious	VAT
	as appropriate	Restitution claims against HMRC
XC	CHANCERY CONTENTIOUS	Company
	(ie litigation)	Charities
	or	Court of Protection : Property and Affairs
XD	CHANCERY NON-CONTENTIOUS	Partnership
	as appropriate	Wills, probate, trusts
		Property transfer
		Boundary disputes
		Mineral rights
NG		Easement/covenants
YC	PERSONAL INJURY	Personal injury
		Fatal injury
		Industrial disease
115		Medical negligence
YD	PROFESSIONAL NEGLIGENCE	Accountants
		Architects
		Barristers
		Solicitors
VE		Surveyors
YE	OTHER COMMON LAW	Private nuisance
1		Public nuisance

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					Domestic insurance Consumer credit Consumer contracts Road accidents (non-injury) Negligence - (other than professional) Actions against the police
0	ARBITRATOR MEDIATOR	OR	UMPIRE	OR	Costs litigation/Law of Costs Acting as Arbitrator, Umpire or 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, if this is not possible please note that the applicable rating here is 2.0%.

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