



### **FIXED FEES FOR CRIMINAL MOTORING CASES**

If you instruct us to represent you in a criminal motoring case, our fees will be fixed.

We feel this is important as it allows you to have clarity and certainty as to what our representation will cost. Often there are unforeseen delays in the Magistrates' Court or the Crown Prosecution Service may be slow in providing evidence. We do not want you to worry that costs will grow out of proportion. Fixed fees are the best way for us to ensure that the case can be properly prepared based on our experience of how much work is required, but you are fully aware of the cost of representation.

Our fixed motoring fees cover the following types of cases:

- **Exceptional hardship hearings** – this is where you have 'totaled up' to 12 points or more within a three year period and instruct us to seek to persuade the Court that you ought not to be banned from driving as you, or others, will suffer 'exceptional hardship' by loss of your licence.
- **Guilty plea hearings** for speeding, driving with excess alcohol, failing to provide a specimen for analysis, being drunk in charge of a vehicle, driving whilst under the influence of drugs, driving without insurance.

The fees are based on our attendance at a single hearing, irrespective of how long that hearing takes.

Sometimes we may choose to instruct a barrister to attend the hearing. We will choose an appropriate barrister based on the case. The cost of the barrister would be included in the fixed fee. Additionally, any travels costs will be included.

VAT is additional.

Our fees for a single hearing for an exceptional hardship argument is £1,200 + VAT.

Our fees for a single hearing for guilty plea hearings is £1,000 + VAT.

In the event that the hearing is adjourned for any reason and attendance is required on another date, a further fee of £350 + VAT will be charged.