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Probate & Letters of Administration Scale Costs (NSW Supreme Court)

The costs of applying for probate or letters of administration in NSW are regulated by the NSW Legal Profession Regulation and the NSW Supreme Court as follows:

Schedule 3– Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Regulation 2015

Gross Value of Estate Assets	Professional Costs fixed by Regulation	Costs Range (excl. GST)
\$0 to \$29,999	\$560 <i>plus</i> \$13.33 for each \$1,000 up to \$30,000	\$560 to \$960
\$30,000 to \$149,999	\$960 <i>plus</i> \$5.90 for each \$1,000 in excess of \$30,000	\$960 to \$1670
\$150,000 to \$999,999	\$1,670 <i>plus</i> \$4.47 for each \$1,000 in excess of \$150,000	\$1670 to \$5470
\$1,000,000 to \$2,999,999	\$5,470 <i>plus</i> \$1.66 for each \$1,000 in excess of \$1,000,000	\$5470 to \$8,800
\$3,000,000 to \$4,999,999	\$8,800 <i>plus</i> \$1.10 for each \$1,000 in excess of \$3,000,000	\$8,800 to \$11,000
\$5,000,000 to \$9,999,999	\$11,000 <i>plus</i> \$0.90 for each \$1,000 in excess of \$5,000,000	\$11,000 to \$15,500
Exceeding \$10,000,000	Capped at \$15,500	\$15,500

Gross Value of Estate Assets	Supreme Court Filing Fee on Application being Lodged	Our Common Disbursements
Less than \$100,000	NIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publish Public Notice via Supreme Court \$47 • NSW LPI fee for property dealing - \$143.50 per doc • City Agent LPI lodgement fees - \$27.50 per doc • Postage, Copying, Tel call & sundries - \$22 per stage
\$100,000 to \$249,999	\$761	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	\$1,033	
\$500,000 to \$999,999	\$1,583	
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	\$2,109	
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	\$3,515	
\$5,000,000 or greater	\$5,860	

We understand that you personally may not have funds immediately available to meet the significant cost of applying for probate and so as a matter of goodwill to our clients, our firm has also adopted a policy of not seeking upfront payment of our costs and disbursements until estate funds become available in trust to meet them. However, in matters where there is unlikely to be sufficient assets converted to cash by the estate to meet the estimated costs, we may ask you to pay the estimated costs and disbursements into our trust account before we lodge the probate application.

Work done after the grant of probate or letters of administration will be charged at the applicable hourly rate for our staff member performing the work. The majority of this work will be attended to by a law clerk under the supervision of the solicitor with carriage of the matter. Our hourly rates, which vary according to staff experience, are published on our website and in our reception area.