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| Family Graduated Fees Reference to Judge | Applicant: Respondent: Case Number: |
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I hereby certify that the following payments are due to Counsel in accordance with the Community Legal Service (Funding) (Counsel in Family Proceedings) Order 2001.

Judges Certification

PART A – Special Issue Payments

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I confirm that these proceedings attract a special issues payment for the following reason:

- (i) The proceedings involved:
 - (a) a litigant in person
 - (b) more than two parties
 - (c) representation of more than one child by counsel submitting a claim for payment

and/or

- (ii) I consider that the proceedings before the Court involved, or, with regard to (e) to (g) were alleged to involve, the following issues which were of substance and relevance:
 - (d) more than one expert
 - (e) a relevant foreign element
 - (f) relevant assets which are not or may not be under the exclusive control of any of the parties
 - (g) a party who has or may have been involved in the following:
 - (i) conduct by virtue of which a child who is the subject of the proceedings has, may have or might suffer very significant harm; or
 - (ii) intentional conduct which has, could have or might significantly reduce the assets available for distribution by the court.

(Please tick relevant boxes)

PART B – Special Preparation Fee

I confirm that these proceedings attract a special preparation fee on the following basis:

- (i) they involve exceptionally complex issues of law or fact; or
- (ii) in public law children proceedings, in relation to work carried out within the secondary hearing unit of Function 5, main hearing was split and a period of at least four months elapsed between its commencement and the time at which it resumed,

such that it has been necessary for counsel to carry out work by way of preparation substantially in excess of the amount normally carried out for proceedings of the same type; or

- (iii) the court bundle or counsel’s brief exceeds 700 pages.

(Please tick relevant boxes)

This fee should be calculated on the basis of (insert number) hours of preparation in excess of the amount normally carried out for proceedings of the same type.

Dated _____ Signature of Judge _____

Judicial title _____

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