

LEGAL PROFESSION ACT 2008 - SECT 292

292 . Request for itemised bill

(1) If a bill is given by a law practice in the form of a lump sum bill, any person who is entitled to apply for an assessment of the legal costs to which the bill relates may request the law practice to give the person an itemised bill.

(2) The law practice must comply with the request within 21 days after the date on which the request is made.

(3) If the person making the request is liable to pay only a part of the legal costs to which the bill relates, the request for an itemised bill may only be made in relation to those costs that the person is liable to pay.

(4) Subject to subsection (5), a law practice must not commence legal proceedings to recover legal costs from a person who has been given a lump sum bill until at least 30 days after the date on which the person is given the bill in accordance with this Division.

(5) If the person makes a request for an itemised bill in accordance with this section, the law practice must not commence legal proceedings to recover the legal costs from the person until at least 30 days after complying with the request.

(6) A law practice is not entitled to charge a person for the preparation of an itemised bill requested under this section.

(7) Section 290(3) and (6) apply to the giving of an itemised bill under this section.