



## News Release

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### **PPS PUBLISHES DETAILS OF PAYMENT MADE TO EXTERNAL COUNSEL 2014-15**

The Public Prosecution Service (PPS) today published details of the £6.406M payments it made to external counsel during the financial year 2014-15.

The counsel fees expense incurred by the Public Prosecution Service for 2014-15 was £4.993M but actual payments related to current and prior year.

#### **Notes to Editors**

Details paid to counsel are set out in the attached table.

Panel members are selected by means of a procurement exercise conducted in 2008 and revised in November 2012. Successful applicants demonstrated the necessary breadth of skills and professional competence to prosecute on behalf of the Director of Public Prosecutions.

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## Public Prosecution Services for Northern Ireland: Counsel Fees 2014-15

### External Counsel: Fee payments during 2014-15

Payment Band	Number of Counsel*
£25k and under	38
£25k - £50k	5
£50k - £75k	5
£75k - £100k	4
£100k - £125k	6
£125k - £150k	9
£150k - £175k	4
£175k - £200k	4
£200k - £225k	3
£225k - £250k	1
£250k - £275k	2
£275k - £300k	2
£300k - £325k	0

\*Includes non-panel counsel