Breakdown of the Bar Council (BC) & the Bar Standards Board (BSB) budgets showing Practising Certificate Fee (PCF) Expenditure

BC & BSB - PCF & Levy - Year Ending (YE) 31/03/2013 (based on expenditure figures)

	Amount	%	Amount	%	Comments
BSB Direct Costs					Budget allocated to BSB is £7,086,000 reduced for £3,080,400 direct attributable
	1,133,400	13.3			income and excludes central services £2,872,200.
Central Services - BSB	2,872,200	33.8			Budget allocated to central services regulatory activities.
BC permitted purposes					
	1,474,800	17.3			Budget allocated to BC is £3,522,800, excluding central services (£2,048,000).
Central Services - BC permitted purposes					Budget allocated to central services corporate and representation activities is
	2,048,000	24.1			£2,048,000.
Total Core PCF			7,528,400	88	This is the sub total amount and percentage for total Core PCF.
Levy - LSB Running Costs (RC)	484,194	5.7			This is the actual Legal Services Board (LSB) running costs.
Levy - LeO Running Costs (RC)	495,310	5.8			This is the actual Legal Ombudsman (LeO) running costs.
Total Levies			979,504	12	This is the sub total amount and percentage for total Levies.
					This breakdown of PCF expenditure differs from the BC budget (of £7,528,400)
					submitted with the 2012/13 PCF application. The difference in the figures shown here
					is attributable to additional categories of central services of £4,920,200 and due to the
					forecasted Levy costs (£1,096,600) being replaced with the actual Levy cost
					(£979,504). Note on income: a total of £7,508,100 was forecasted to be collected
					through core PCF income for 2012/13. BC predicted a £20,300 shortfall to be met by
Total PCF Core & Levies	8,507,904	100	8,507,904	100	non-PCF income.

BC & BSB - Central Services (C.S.) - YE 31/03/2013 (based on expenditure figures)

Business	Premises,	Services inc.	Total	%	Comments
	inc. Fees	Contingency			
BSB - Regulation	636.1	2,236.10	2,872.20	58.4	The central services budget is £4,920,200 (£4,747,100 specific costs, provisions
BC - Representation	292.1	1,188.90	1,481.00	30.1	allocation of £83,100 and property related legal fees £10,000).
BC - Corporate	179.7	387.3	567	11.5	
Total C.S.	1,107.90	3,812.30	4,920.20	100	

Source of information

http://www.legalservicesboard.org.uk/Projects/pdf/application to lsb 1.pdf

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LEVY: the set-up costs for the LSB and the running costs for LSB & LeO

	Total Levy forecast (AR) 2011/12	LSB Levy forecast running costs 2011/12	LeO Levy forecast running costs 2011/12	LSB Levy actual running costs 2011/12	LeO Levy actual running costs 2011/12	LSB Start-up costs actual (3rd instalment) 2011/12
						Not applicable - see
BSB/BC	1,096,600	513,197	600,163	484,194	495,310	additional notes below.

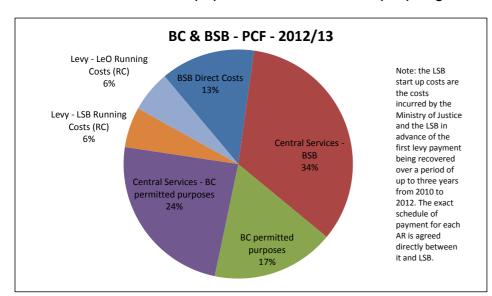
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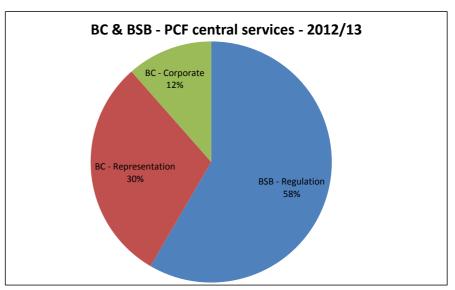
Legal Services Board.

Additional notes:

- 1. The set-up costs for the LSB were charged in three instalments to each approved regulator to be paid in March 2010, March 2011 and March 2012. The Bar Council chose to pay their installments over two years, 70% in March 2010 and 30% in March 2011.
- 2. Set-up costs for LeO were shared by the Bar Council, The Law Society & the Council of Licensed Conveyancers over two years and paid in March 2010 and March 2011.

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PCF breakdown for the 12 months from 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013

	Percentage of total PCF (see graph above for details)	Total fee paid on average by all individual barristers (Core PCF & Levies)	Total fee paid by a self-employed barrister for over 13 years call (Core PCF & Levies)	Total fee paid by an employed barrister for over 13 years call (Core PCF and Levies)
	%		£	£
BSB Direct Costs	13	72.14	100.88	77.48
BC - Permitted Purposes	17	94.33	131.92	101.32
Central services - BSB	34	188.67	263.84	202.64
Central services - BC Permitted Purposes	24	133.18	186.24	143.04
Levy - LSB running costs	6	33.29	46.56	35.76
Levy - LeO	6	33.29	46.56	35.76
TOTAL	100	554.91	776.00	596.00

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Additional information:

- 1. We have shown the average amount paid by all individual barristers (total BSB budget target for Core PCF and the actual LSB and LeO levies divided by the number of practising barristers as at 1 Dec 2011).
- 2. The BC charges its practising fees to qualified barristers according to the number of years called to the bar i.e. 1-2 years call, 3-4 years call, 5-7 years call, 8-12 years call, 13 years call and over, and Queens Counsel (QC). A QC would pay a higher practising fee than a barrister with just 1-2 years call.
- 3. We have also shown the breakdown of PCF for the most common band for employed barristers and self-employed barristers. For 2012/13, the 'over 13 years call' categories were the most common band for both self employed (a total of 6,250) and employed barristers (a total of 1,958).
- 4. The total practising fee for each barrister includes a Core Fee, Entity Levy, LSB/OLC Levy and Pensions Levy. This analysis includes the Core Fee and LSB/OLC Levy only as the other categories of Entity Levy and Pensions Levy were ring fenced for specific purposes.