Notice From Probate Court Regarding Taxations

June 20, 2025

Please be advised that the Registrars of the Court of Probate for Nova Scotia do not use guidelines that rely on pre-determined formulas, including those using percentages of the value of an estate, or pre-set fee amounts, in the course of taxing a solicitor's bill of costs under section 61 of the Probate Court Practice, Procedure and Forms Regulations made under section 106 of the *Probate Act*. The past use of "Guidelines for Proctor's Fees" (March 1, 1989) also referred to as the "Lunenburg Scale" is also terminated.

Registrars may refer to Civil Procedure Rule 77.13 regarding the fees and disbursements of counsel including the "examples of subjects and circumstances that may be relevant" as assessment criteria in the taxation of a solicitor's bill of costs.

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