

Application for funding for legal representation

The Inquiry's <u>Legal Funding Protocol</u> explains who can apply for funding to be provided by the Inquiry for legal representation and how the Chair will go about determining whether to award funding.

Please try to put all of the information on the attached application form. Only attach any separate sheets or documents where they are requested.

If you require help in completing this form or if you are unable to provide your application in writing, please contact the Inquiry team on legal@eljamelinquiry.scot or at the postal address below.

1. Your name

2. Your status (are you applying on your own behalf or for an organisation or as a representative of an individual, a group/ group of individuals)?

Please indicate whether you/ the person, organisation or group/ group of individuals on whose behalf you are applying has/ have been granted core participant status by the Inquiry: Yes/No

3. Your contact details:

Address:

Email:

Phone number:

Preferred way for the Inquiry to contact you:

4. Contact details for your lawyer (if different from above) Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

5. Why do you consider that funding from the Inquiry for legal representation is necessary? Please explain the capacity in which the funding is sought (core participant, witness etc). If it is thought necessary to engage the services of Counsel, please explain why.

6. The scope and estimated duration of the legal representation for which the award is sought (under reference, where applicable, to any invitations to apply for such funding issued by the Inquiry)

- 7. Financial resources other than in the case of a former patient of Mr Eljamel or a personal representative of a former patient, please set out details of the financial position of the applicant which vouch the proposition that the applicant(s) cannot pay their legal expenses in connection with the relevant Inquiry work (please include relevant vouching, eg accounts, recent bank statements, wage slips etc)
- 8. Please explain why you meet the criteria set out in paragraphs 14 to 18 of the Legal Expenses Protocol for legal representation funded by the Inquiry, including why it is in the public interest to grant your application and why it is necessary, fair, reasonable and proportionate to do so.

9. Details of legal Representation Please provide the following information

a) The type of work your legal team will do

Please provide details of any communication or other difficulties which the applicant/ the person/ people on whose behalf the application is being made has in giving instructions

- b) The estimated duration of the legal representation
- c) The names of the legal team representing you, their roles and their years of post-qualification experience
- d) The estimated time to be spent monthly by each of your solicitors on Inquiry work (this may be expressed as a range) and hourly rates claimed (see limits in the Minister's Determination) in the period for which an invitation to apply for legal funding has been issued, as well as for any paralegals
- e) The estimated time to be spent monthly by each of your Counsel on Inquiry work (this may be expressed as a range) (if applicable) and hourly rates claimed (see limits in the Minister's Determination)
- f) Any other anticipated disbursements relating to legal representation (for example travel or photocopying)

10.DECLARATION

I confirm that the information I have provided to the Inquiry within and in support of this application is true and correct to the best of my belief and knowledge.

Your signature:

Name of Law firm and Position held (if applicable):

Date:

Please send completed forms by email to: legal@eljamelinquiry.scot

Or by post: The Eljamel Inquiry, Area 2J North, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ