

Our Ref: FOI2016-160

Date: December 2016

Subject: Legal fees

This request asked:

With regards to the tribunal of Richard Both, a former chairman of financial institution at Barclays who is claiming unfair dismissal at a tribunal, please disclose 1) how much the SFO has spent on legal and other professional fees for this case and 2) how much the SFO has budgeted?

The SFO instructed three Counsel to represent the SFO at Mr Both's employment tribunal in November 2016. Total fees charged by Counsel for their attendance during the hearing, which lasted 5 days and 2 half days were, in aggregate, £8,700 (excluding VAT).

The SFO does not have a separate budget for this matter and the costs associated with this tribunal were paid out of the general case investigation budget.
