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PART 2

DETERMINATIONS IN RESPECT OF AN
INDIVIDUAL'S FINANCIAL RESOURCES

CHAPTER 1

FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY LIMITS AND WAIVERS

Financial eligibility limits – disposable income and disposable capital

6.—(1) This regulation has effect subject to regulations 4 and 5.

(2) Where a client's weekly disposable income does not exceed £234 and their disposable capital does not exceed £1,000, they shall be eligible for advice and assistance.

(3) Where a client's weekly disposable income does not exceed £234 and their disposable capital does not exceed £3,000, they shall be eligible for representation (lower courts).

(4) Subject to paragraph (5), a client shall be eligible for representation (higher courts) where their yearly disposable income does not exceed—

- (a) £10,955, if the representation is sought in connection with taking, defending or being a party to proceedings which include a claim in respect of personal injuries; or
- (b) £9,937, in any other case.

(5) The client shall be refused representation (higher courts) where—

- (a) their disposable capital exceeds—
 - (i) £8,560, if the representation is sought in connection with taking, defending or being a party to proceedings which include a claim in respect of personal injuries; or
 - (ii) £6,750, in any other case; and
- (b) it appears they can afford to proceed without representation (higher courts) in accordance with regulation 13(2).