

Court appointed Property Manager price list



When a person is unable to manage their own property matters through age or illness and they haven't put enduring powers of attorney in place, an application needs to be made to the Family Court to appoint a Property Manager to take care of their property and financial matters.

We can be appointed to take care of an incapacitated person's property and finances under the Protection of Personal and Property Rights (PPPR) Act. We work with family, caregivers and others to complete the application process and, once the management begins, act in the best interests of that person.

What will it cost?

Applying for us to be the Property Manager involves a number of forms, legal documents and appearances in Court. Costs can vary depending on the incapacitated person's situation.

We charge a combination of set fees and hourly rates depending on the task, and a percentage for any income collected.

Time spent traveling to meet with the subject person and/or the welfare guardian will be charged at the hourly rate of the Trustee for time in transit and the standard travel fee will apply for each round trip.

The role of the Property Manager must be reviewed every three to five years. Before this term ends, a review must be done and new forms provided to the Family Court for us to be re-appointed. The cost of the review will vary depending on the type of application that was originally made.

Standard charges	Fee (Incl. GST)
To prepare and lodge application – if we are appointed Property Manager	\$2,200.00
To prepare application for Welfare Guardian	\$960.00
To prepare both types of applications at the same time	\$2,936.00
Three to five-yearly review and re-appointment – if we are Property Manager	\$2,068.00
Review Welfare Guardian	\$890.00
Review s31 Property and Welfare Guardian	\$2,802.00
Making a will with authority from the Family Court	Time and attendance charges apply
Filing first and final statements with the Family Court	\$359.00
Attendance at court appearances	hourly rates
Travel to visit customer fee (round trip)	\$62.00

Our hourly rates are priced from \$307.05 per hour for an Associate Trustee to \$537.05 per hour for a Senior Solicitor. The hourly rate that applies to a particular task depends on the expertise, experience, complexity of the work involved and the most effective and efficient management of the task. Our specialists will tell you their hourly rates and, if requested, will give you an idea of the fee for a specific task when they meet with you.

There will also be costs for disbursements such as: postage, photocopying, system maintenance, consumables & storage.

Ongoing costs	Fee (Incl. GST)
Income handling fee – calculated on gross income collected	5% + GST if any (maximum)
Filing annual statements with the Family Court	\$279.00

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