

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

**No. 151.**—The following Order and Rules, which were laid before the Legislative Council on the 23rd day of April, 1914, are published for general information.

CLAUD SEVERN,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

24th April, 1914.

*Order as to the Fees and Percentages to be taken in the Supreme Court of Hongkong, made the 28th day of January, 1914.*

I, the undersigned, Chief Justice of the Colony of Hongkong, by virtue of the power and authority in me vested, do hereby order and direct as follows:—

This Order may be cited as The Supreme Court Fees Amending Order, 1914, and shall be read and construed as one with the Supreme Court Fees Order, 1903, published in the *Gazette* on the 24th day of April, 1903, and on pages 73 to 82 of the Regulations of Hongkong, 1910, and this Order and the said Order may be cited together as the Supreme Court Fees Orders, 1903-1914. This Order shall come into force on the 1st day of May, 1914, and shall apply to all causes and matters commenced on and after the said day, and to all proceedings taken on and after the said day in all causes and matters then pending.

Schedule I of the Supreme Court Fees Order, 1903, is amended by the striking out of the words and figures "Attendance of any officer of Court to give evidence in the Supreme Court or to produce any record or document \$5.00" appearing under the heading "Taking Evidence, Affidavits, &c.", and the substitution therefor of the following words and figures:—

"Attendance of any Government Official to produce or prove in the Supreme Court any record or document \$5.00.

Attendance of any Government Official to give any other evidence in the Supreme Court:—

When called as an expert, the fee payable to an expert witness.

When not called as an expert:—

If his annual salary is £600 (\$6,000) or more, \$15.00 per hour or portion of an hour of attendance in Court, with a minimum of \$20.00.

If his annual salary is £360 (\$3,600) or more, \$10.00 per hour or portion of an hour of attendance in Court, with a minimum of \$15.00.

If his annual salary is under £360 (\$3,600), \$5.00 per hour or portion of an hour of attendance in Court, with a minimum of \$10.00.

*Note*:—The above fees are to be paid to the Registrar of the Supreme Court in cash."

Supreme Court House, Hongkong, the 28th day of January, 1914.

W. REES DAVIES,  
*Chief Justice.*

Approved by the Legislative Council, this 23rd day of April, 1914.

M. J. BREEN,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
23rd April, 1914.

*Rules made by the Chief Justice under Section 32 of the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873, for taxing costs in the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.*

1. The Scale of Costs made by the Chief Justice on the 6th day of April, 1903, and revised and approved by the Legislative Council on the 20th day of April, 1903, and published in the *Gazette* on the 24th day of April, 1903, and on pages 82 to 90 of the Regulations of Hongkong, 1910, is hereby amended as appears in the Schedule hereto.

2. The amendments hereinafter appearing shall apply to all bills of costs taxed as between party and party after the date of the publication of these rules in the *Gazette*.

#### SCHEDULE.

Item No.	Scale of Allowances.	Dollars.
	<i>Instructions.</i>	
2	For item No. 2 the following shall be substituted :—	
2	To retain Counsel in any action or proceeding,.....	5.00
	The following shall be inserted after item No. 2 :—	
2A	Drawing and engrossing retainer and copy,	1.10
2B	Attending Counsel with retainer and fee, ...	6.00
	After item No. 3 shall be inserted :—	
3A	For Special Indorsement on writ } from when no other statement of } claim,..... } to	6.00 10.00
	<i>Drawing pleadings and other documents.</i>	
18	At the end of item No. 18 shall be inserted :— (including particulars if any).	
	<i>Appearances.</i>	
31	Item No. 31 shall read as follows :— Drawing and engrossing Appearance for one defendant, per folio, .....	1.10
32	Item No. 32 shall read as follows :— Attending entering Appearance,.....	4.00
	The following new items shall be inserted after item 32 :—	
32A	For every defendant beyond the first, .....	1.00
32B	Attending receipt of notice of appearance,	2.00
32C	Informing client thereof, .....	2.50
32D	Searching for appearance, .....	4.00
32E	Drawing certificate of non-appearance, per folio, .....	.75
32F	Copy certificate of non-appearance, per folio,	.35
32G	Filing certificate (including obtaining signature), .....	4.00
	<i>Services and Notices.</i>	
	The following shall be inserted after item 34 :—	
34A	Serving Writ or other document, requiring appearance, on Solicitor and obtaining his undertaking to appear, .....	5.00
34B	Attending being served with Writ or other document, requiring appearance, and giving undertaking to appear,.....	5.00
	<i>Copies.</i>	
48	After item No. 48 shall be inserted :—	
48A	Bespeaking a copy of any document (including obtaining and paying for it),.....	5.00

Item No.	Scale of Allowances.	Dollars.
<i>Attendances.</i>		
	Item 63 shall read as follows :—	
63	To issue Writ or other process, .....	4.00
	After item 63 shall be inserted :—	
63A	Returning original to Court after service, ...	4.00
	After item 68 shall be inserted :—	
68A	Attending receipt of and perusing a necessary letter or notice not hereby otherwise provided for, .....	2.00
68B	Or per folio, .....	.40
69 & 89	Items 69 and 89 are hereby repealed and the following items substituted :—	
69	Drawing order, .....per folio,.....	.75
69A	Writing adverse party with draft order for approval, .....	2.50
69B	Attending receipt of draft order for approval,	2.00
69C	Perusing, .....per folio,.....	.40
69D	Returning draft order approved,.....	2.50
69E	Perusal of alterations in draft order per folio, (Perusal of alterations only allowed unless perusal of context necessary) .....	.40
69F	Subsequent necessary attendances on Solicitor of adverse party, .....each,.....	4.00
69G	Subsequent necessary letters,.....	2.50
69H	Engrossing order, .....per folio,.....	.35
69J	Sealing and filing, .....	4.00
69K	Serving,.....	3.00
69L	Attending being served, .....	3.00
<i>Attendances in Chambers.</i>		
78	For item 78 the following shall be substituted :—	
78	Attending Judge's Clerk to arrange for special appointment in Chambers in exceptional cases, .....	4.00
78A	Attending Solicitor of adverse party to confirm appointment, .....	4.00
78B	Writing Judge's Clerk confirming,.....	2.50
78C	Attending in Chambers with or without Counsel on summons, motion or other proceeding :—	
	(a) Consent Summons, or <i>ex parte</i> without discussion,.....	6.00
	(b) When any argument or discussion takes place, .....	10.00
	(c) When the hearing occupies from half an hour to one hour,.....	15.00
	(d) When the hearing occupies more than one hour, for each hour or portion of an hour including the first, .....	10.00
<i>Attendances, &amp;c.</i>		
	After item 81 shall be inserted :—	
81A	Attending Counsel to sign pleading, .....	4.00
	After item 82 shall be inserted :—	
82A	Attending receipt of any document as result of a conference,.....	2.00
	After item 90 shall be inserted :—	
90A	Informing client of an order, Judge- { from ment or other step in an action or proceeding, if necessary, ..... } to	2.50
90B	Attending Registrar settling Bond, .....	6.00
90C	Attendance on Telephone, .....	2.00

Item No.	Scale of Allowances.	Dollars.
	<i>Miscellaneous.</i>	
92B	After item 92 shall be inserted :— Perusing and checking translations received from adverse party when the translation is agreed without being certified by the Court Translator,.....per folio,...	.90
96	The following shall be added to item No. 96 :— “ Where no fee is specified in the Scale the Registrar shall be guided by principles of English practice except where such principles conflict with the Hongkong Scale.”	

Supreme Court House, Hongkong, the 28th day of January, 1914.

W. REES DAVIES,  
*Chief Justice.*

Revised and approved by the Legislative Council, this day of 23rd April, 1914.

M. J. BREEN,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

COUNCIL CHAMBER.  
23rd April, 1914.

**No. 152.**—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council :—

- Ordinance No. 6 of 1914.—An Ordinance to provide against the circulation in the Colony of seditious publications.
- Ordinance No. 7 of 1914.—An Ordinance to amend the Foreign Marriage Ordinance, 1903;
- Ordinance No. 8 of 1914.—An Ordinance to amend the Electricity Supply Ordinance, 1911.

### HONGKONG.

#### No. 6 OF 1914.

An Ordinance to provide against the circulation  
in the Colony of seditious publications.

I assent to this Ordinance.



F. H. MAY,  
*Governor.*

[24th April, 1914.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :—

- Short title      1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Seditious Publications Ordinance, 1914.