**Patrick Finucane Inquiry**
**Section 40 Funding Application Form**

## Introduction

This form should be completed by anyone who wishes to make an application for public funding under Section 40 of the Inquiry Act 2005[1] and in line with sections 20-34 of the Inquiry Rules 2006[2]. Applicants should ensure that they have read the Inquiry's Costs Protocol before making an application[3].

Applications for funding will be assessed by the Solicitor to the Inquiry, as laid out in the Costs Protocol, and subject to a financial means test, as laid out in the Inquiry's Means Testing Policy[4].

Please see the end of this document for information about the handling of your personal and financial data.

## Applicant's details

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| **Name of applicant** | |
| **Applicant's role in the Inquiry** | |
| **Name and contact details for applicant's recognised legal representative** | |

[1] Inquiries Act 2005
[2] The Inquiry Rules 2006
[3] Costs Protocol - Legal Representation at Public Expense - Patrick Finucane Inquiry
[4] Public Funding Means Testing Policy and Section 40 Funding Application Form - Patrick Finucane Inquiry

## Part 1: Basis for a Section 40 funding application

Please complete this form, using additional sheets of paper if needed, and consider any supporting documents you may wish to provide.

Alongside this form, the applicant should submit a written application to the Solicitor to the Inquiry which addresses the requirements laid out in paragraph 15 of the Costs Protocol.

You may also use your written application to explain any financial circumstances which are not adequately addressed through the financial declaration below and which you believe may affect the assessment.

An application will be processed on receipt of both documents.

Your completed written application and this form should be submitted to the Solicitor to the Inquiry at:

solicitors@finucane.independent-inquiry.uk

## Part 2: Financial eligibility

### *Sources of income*

Please refer to paragraph 6 of the Means Testing Policy.

Where a category does not apply, please write N/A.

Figures should be annual and calculated by tax year (April to March) where possible and applicable.

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| Annual gross salary or wage (not including non-consolidated payments) | |
| Any other regular payments from a job or business, calculated annually | |
| Income from savings or investments | |
| Income from a second real estate property | |
| Pension payments | |
| Income from Trusts | |
| Any other income not covered by one of the above categories | |

### *Deductions*

Please refer to paragraph 7 of the Means Testing Policy.

Where a category does not apply, please write N/A.

Figures should be annual and calculated by tax year (April to March) where possible and applicable.

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| Tax | |
| National Insurance contributions | |
| Pension contributions | |
| Rent or mortgage payments on your usual residence | |
| Utility bills | |
| Child maintenance payments | |
| Council tax on your usual residence | |
| Any other deductions not covered by one of the above categories | |

***Assets***

Please refer to paragraph 8 of the Means Testing Policy.

Where a category does not apply, please write N/A.

Please provide details of the following, including value.

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| Savings | |
| Property (not including any property in which you normally reside) | |
| Investments, including digital/cryptocurrency | |
| Shares or other interests in a business | |
| Shareholdings | |
| Tangible items with a value exceeding £5,000 (for example, cars) | |
| Interests in Trusts | |
| Any other net assets with a value of more than £5000 (please provide details) | |

## Part 3: Privacy, data handling and declaration

### *Privacy and data handling*

By making an application, you are consenting to having your data processed by the Inquiry for the purpose of assessment for, and administering of, a Section 40 funding award.

The Inquiry will ensure that personal and financial data provided in this form and any accompanying documents is handled:

- In accordance with Section 40 of the Inquiries Act 2005 and the Inquiry Rules 2006 at Rules 19-34;
- As detailed in the Inquiry's published Costs Protocol and Public Funding Means Testing Policy;
- In line with UK GDPR; and
- As laid out in the Inquiry's Privacy Policy.

Processing of data is solely for the purpose of ascertaining eligibility and assessment for, and administration of, Section 40 funding. The Inquiry may, as laid out in the funding policy, share data on a confidential basis and in strictly controlled circumstances in support of these purposes.

Under UK GDPR, the lawful bases for processing data are:

(a) Consent: you, the applicant, have consented to provide your data to use your information for the specific purposes outlined in the Inquiry's policies and protocols.
(c) Legal obligation: the processing is necessary for the Inquiry to comply with the law, primarily the Inquiries Act 2005 and the Inquiry Rules 2006.
(e) Public task: the processing is necessary for the Inquiry to perform a task in the public interest, that is to facilitate engagement with the Inquiry in support of its Terms of Reference.

Should there be any particular sensitivity to your data, the Inquiry requests that you communicate this in writing to the Solicitor to the Inquiry before any personal or financial information is shared.

### *Declaration*

I confirm that:

- The information provided by me, or on my behalf by my recognised legal representative, is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- I understand that action may be taken by the Inquiry if I have provided inaccurate or misleading information or have withheld relevant information.
- I understand that the Inquiry will process my data in line with relevant legislation and policies, which may include some sharing of data under strictly controlled conditions.
- I have submitted a written explanation alongside this form which explains my application for eligibility for public funding.

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| **Name** | |
| **Signed (an electronic signature will be accepted)** | |
| **Date** | |

*Please note that an applicant must sign their own form to ensure that they agree the information provided is accurate and meets the requirements laid out in the Inquiry's policies.*