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**Legislative Decree No. (9) of 1983 amending Fee Tables attached to Legislative Decree No. (3) of 1972 regarding Judicial Fees**

We, Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa – Emir of the Kingdom of Bahrain having reviewed the Constitution.

Emiri Decree No. (4) of 1975;

And Legislative Decree No. (3) of 1972 regarding Judicial Fees;

Upon the submission of the Minister of Justice and Islamic Affairs; And after the approval of the Council of Ministers;

**Hereby Decree the following Law:**

**Article One**

The fee tables attached to the Legislative Decree No. (3) of 1972 regarding Judicial Fees shall be replaced by the tables attached to this Law.

**Article Two**

The Minister of Justice and Islamic Affairs shall implement this Law, and it shall be published in the Official Gazette and come into force from the first of July 1983.

**Emir of the State of Bahrain**

**Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa**

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**Fee Tables**

**Table No. (1)**

**First: Estimation of Lawsuit Fees**

Proportional fees: A proportional fee shall be imposed on lawsuits of known value based on the value of the amounts sought for judgement in accordance with the proportions indicated in Table No. (2), provided that the fee shall not exceed two thousand Dinars. All fractions of the fifty Fils provided for in the original paid fee according to the value shall be considered fifty Fils and shall be paid on this basis.

2- Fixed fees: With the exception of personal status lawsuits related to the family, bankruptcy lawsuits and the division of common funds, a fixed fee of ten Dinars shall be imposed on lawsuits of unknown value.

3- Additional fees: In addition to the fees prescribed in the Paragraphs 1 and 2, an additional fee of 300 Fils shall be imposed on the statement of claim, appeal or request, and another 300 Fils as a fee for writs of summons.

**Second: How to Estimate Fees**

**1- Fees in the case of amended requests**

a-                    If the request is amended in the lawsuit of unknown value during its progress to a request of known value or vice versa and no preliminary judgement has been previously issued in the lawsuit or a final judgement in a subsidiary matter imposing the largest of the two fees, the proportional fee or the fixed fee.

b-                If, prior to the amendment, a final judgement is issued in a subsidiary matter, with the exception of matters of jurisdiction or an preliminary judgement in the subject matter, a new tax shall be imposed on the request.

**2- Fees in the case of multiple requests**

a-        If the single lawsuit receives multiple requests of known value arising from one bond or one legal reason, the fee shall be assessed considering the group of requests.

b-     If they arise from different bonds or legal reasons, the fee shall be considered separately for each bond or reason.

c- If the lawsuit includes requests of unknown value, the fee shall be charged to each of them separately, unless there is a link between them that makes it equivalent to a single request. In this case, a single fee shall be due for these requests.

d-       If some of the lawsuit requests are of known value and others are not of estimated value, the fee shall be imposed on each of them, unless all of these requests are based on one legal reason, then largest of two fees shall be taken into account.

e-  In the event that there are dependency requests for some of the original requests, the largest of two fees shall be due.

f- The      additional requests shall be combined with the original requests and the fee shall be calculated on their total.

g- The fee to be collected for incidental requests and counter lawsuits submitted by the defendant shall be collected if they are the subject matter of a single lawsuit.

h- If the intervener in the lawsuit joining the claimant has separate requests, he shall be entitled to a fee on these requests.

**3- Fees of personal status lawsuits related to family rights**

In personal status lawsuits related to family rights, a fixed fee of two Dinars shall be imposed.

**4- Fees of bankruptcy lawsuits**

a- A fixed fee of ten Dinars shall be imposed in bankruptcy lawsuits or in preventive settlement requests. This fee shall include judicial procedures until the end of bankruptcy or preventive composition procedures.

b- With regard to distributing the bankrupt person’s funds among the creditors, in addition to the amounts pledged to be paid by the debtor in the settlement contract, determined proportional fees shall be applicable on the total sum.

**5- Fees on lawsuits of the division of common funds**

a- A fixed fee of ten Dinars shall be imposed on requests for ratification of partition by mutual agreement.

b- Proportional fees shall be reduced to a quarter on division lawsuits between partners in case a dispute arises between them regarding the division of common funds.

**6- Fees regarding inheritance**

a-   A fixed fee of two Dinars shall be applicable for opening an inheritance dossier file of the deceased if the request was submitted by the heirs or by any other government body.

b-   A fixed fee of one Dinar shall be imposed for each of the following requests:

1- Requesting seals on the inheritance funds and its inventory and requesting to lift the seals.

2- Requesting the appointment of an estate liquidator, dismissing or replacing him, and appointing the estate administrators , or confirming or appointing executors of will.

c- With regards to the net estate property, a proportional fee reduced to a quarter, estimated on the basis of its value shall be imposed, and the fees shall be collected prior to distributing the estate to the heirs.

**7- Fees of lawsuits relating to wills and waqf**

The proportional fees shall be reduced by half in the following cases:

a- Lawsuits related to the validity or invalidity of the will, given the value of the property recommended.

b- Lawsuits related to the validity or invalidity of the waqf, given the value claimed.

**8- Fees of appeal against judgements**

a- The fees shall be reduced to a quarter in the following cases:

1- Objection to the judgement in absentia.

2- Objection by a party external to the litigation to the judgement issued thereon.

3- Appealing the judgement by way of appeal. If the Court of Appeal issues a judgement on the lawsuit, the fee due from it shall be completed. However, if the judgement is issued by the Execution Court, a fixed fee of five Dinars shall be imposed on its appeal.

b- As for the request for reconsideration, a fixed fee of five Dinars shall be imposed. If the court issues a decision on the matter, the fee due on the subject shall be completed.

**9- Prescribed fees for returning to the lawsuit**

a- Afixed fee of three Dinars shall be imposed in the event of returning to the lawsuit after the judgement has been issued to drop it, provided that its subject matter or its litigation parties shall not change.

b- The fee shall be re-imposed in the event that the lawsuit is returned after a judgement has been issued considering it null and void.

c- The fee shall be re-imposed in the event of return to the lawsuit after a judgement has been issued dismissing the litigation, or in the event of the return to the lawsuit after a judgement has been issued to abandon the litigation.

**10- Fees of the copy of judgements and legal instruments**

a- A fixed fee of five hundred Fils shall be collected for copies of the judgements covered by the writ of execution. Otherwise, a fixed fee of 750 Fils shall be collected for copies of the licensed judgements in giving them to those concerned.

b- A fixed fee of two hundred Fils shall be collected for each paper of copies of the minutes of the hearings, minutes of execution, testimonies, reports of experts, minutes of their work, inventory minutes, notification papers, copies of judgements notification, minutes of seizure and other lawsuit papers.

**11- Fees on the adjudications of arbitrators**

a- A proportional fee of 1/4% of the amount issued in the adjudication of arbitrators shall be imposed to request the execution of the adjudication of arbitrators in accordance with the provisions of Article (241) of the Civil and Commercial Procedures Law.

b- Proportional fees to the claimed amounts shall be imposed on requests of the invalidity of the adjudication of arbitrators in the cases provided for in Article (243) of the Civil and Commercial Procedures Law.

**12- Fees for requesting the execution of judgements and orders issued in a foreign country**

In requesting the execution of judgements and orders issued in a foreign country in accordance with the provisions of Article (252) of the Civil and Commercial Procedures Law, a proportional fee of 1% of the value of the amounts awarded or fixed in the bond shall be imposed.

**13- Execution fees**

A fixed fee of one Dinar shall be imposed for requests submitted to the Execution Court that relate to the implementation of:

a-        Judgements and decisions issued by courts of all kinds and degrees.

b- The adjudications of the arbitrators included in the writ of execution by the competent court.

c- Official documents included in the writ of execution.

d- Judgements and orders issued in a foreign country.

e- Official documents issued in a foreign country.

**14- Fees of disputes submitted to the special court**

In disputes filed before the Special Court provided for in Article (23) of the Law of Organizing the Judiciary, a fixed fee of five Dinars shall be imposed.

**15- Fees of civil lawsuits in penal cases**

The provisions of the judicial fees and the categories specified therein shall apply to civil lawsuits filed before the criminal courts, taking into account the following:

a-   The civil rights claimant shall pay the fee due in advance as soon as the claim is made.

b-   If the criminal court refers the litigants to the competent civil court or decides not to accept to proceed with them before the criminal courts, no new fee shall be collected in advance when resorting to the civil court.

**16- Fees of labour lawsuits**

Taking into account Article (13) of Judicial Fees Law, labour lawsuits that are initiated by the worker against his employer shall be exempted from fees.

**Table No. (2) Determining Categories of Proportional Fees**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **When the amount or value exceeds** | | **Or does not exceed** | | **The fee due** | |
| Fils | Dinar | Fils | Dinar | Fils | Dinar |
| - | - | - | 500 | - | 040 |
| - | 500 | 1 | - | - | 075 |
| 1 | - | 1 | 500 | - | 115 |
| 1 | 500 | 2 | - | - | 150 |
| 2 | - | 2 | 500 | - | 190 |
| 2 | 500 | 3 | - | - | 225 |
| 3 | - | 3 | 500 | - | 265 |
| 3 | 500 | 4 | - | - | 300 |
| 4 | - | 4 | 500 | - | 340 |
| 4 | 500 | 5 | - | - | 375 |
| 5 | - | 5 | 500 | - | 415 |
| 6 | 500 | 7 | - | - | 525 |
| 7 | - | 7 | 500 | - | 565 |
| 7 | 500 | 8 | - | - | 600 |
| 8 | - | 8 | 500 | - | 640 |
| 8 | 500 | 9 | - | - | 675 |
| 9 | - | 9 | 500 | - | 715 |
| 9 | 500 | 10 | - | - | 750 |
| 10 | - | 11 | - | - | 825 |
| 11 | - | 12 | - | - | 900 |
| 12 | - | 13 | - | - | 975 |
| 13 | - | 14 | - | 1 | 050 |
| 14 | - | 15 | - | 1 | 125 |
| 15 | - | 16 | - | 1 | 200 |
| 16 | - | 17 | - | 1 | 275 |
| 19 | - | 20 | - | 1 | 500 |
| 20 | - | 21 | - | 1 | 575 |
| 21 | - | 22 | - | 1 | 650 |
| 22 | - | 23 | - | 1 | 725 |
| 23 | - | 24 | - | 1 | 800 |
| 24 | - | 25 | - | 1 | 875 |
| 25 | - | 26 | - | 1 | 950 |
| 26 | - | 27 | - | 2 | 025 |
| 27 | - | 28 | - | 2 | 100 |
| 28 | - | 29 | - | 2 | 175 |
| 29 | - | 30 | - | 2 | 250 |
| 30 | - | 31 | - | 2 | 325 |
| 31 | - | 32 | - | 2 | 400 |
| 32 | - | 33 | - | 2 | 475 |
| 33 | - | 34 | - | 2 | 550 |
| 34 | - | 35 | - | 2 | 625 |
| 35 | - | 36 | - | 2 | 700 |
| 36 | - | 37 | - | 2 | 775 |
| 37 | - | 37 | - | 2 | 850 |
| 38 | - | 39 | - | 2 | 925 |
| 39 | - | 40 | - | 3 | - |
| 40 | - | 41 | - | 3 | 075 |
| 41 | - | 42 | - | 3 | 150 |
| 42 | - | 43 | - | 3 | 225 |
| 43 | - | 44 | - | 3 | 300 |
| 44 | - | 45 | - | 3 | 375 |
| 45 | - | 46 | - | 3 | 450 |
| 46 | - | 47 | - | 3 | 525 |
| 47 | - | 48 | - | 3 | 600 |
| 48 | - | 49 | - | 3 | 675 |
| 49 | - | 50 | - | 3 | 750 |
| 50 | - | 51 | - | 3 | 825 |
| 51 | - | 52 | - | 3 | 900 |
| 52 | - | 53 | - | 3 | 925 |
| 53 | - | 54 | - | 4 | 050 |
| 54 | - | 55 | - | 4 | 125 |
| 55 | - | 56 | - | 4 | 200 |
| 56 | - | 57 | - | 4 | 275 |
| 57 | - | 58 | - | 4 | 350 |
| 58 | - | 59 | - | 4 | 425 |
| 59 | - | 60 | - | 4 | 500 |
| 60 | - | 61 | - | 4 | 575 |
| 61 | - | 62 | - | 4 | 650 |
| 62 | - | 63 | - | 4 | 725 |
| 63 | - | 64 | - | 4 | 800 |
| 64 | - | 65 | - | 4 | 875 |
| 65 | - | 66 | - | 4 | 950 |
| 66 | - | 67 | - | 5 | 025 |
| 67 | - | 68 | - | 5 | 100 |
| 68 | - | 69 | - | 5 | 175 |
| 69 | - | 70 | - | 5 | 250 |
| 70 | - | 71 | - | 5 | 325 |
| 71 | - | 72 | - | 5 | 400 |
| 72 | - | 73 | - | 5 | 475 |
| 73 | - | 74 | - | 5 | 550 |
| 74 | - | 75 | - | 5 | 625 |
| 75 | - | 76 | - | 5 | 700 |
| 76 | - | 77 | - | 5 | 775 |
| 77 | - | 78 | - | 5 | 850 |
| 78 | - | 79 | - | 5 | 925 |
| 79 | - | 80 | - | 6 | - |
| 80 | - | 81 | - | 6 | 075 |
| 81 | - | 82 | - | 6 | 150 |
| 82 | - | 83 | - | 6 | 225 |
| 83 | - | 84 | - | 6 | 300 |
| 84 | - | 85 | - | 6 | 375 |
| 85 | - | 86 | - | 6 | 450 |
| 86 | - | 87 | - | 6 | 525 |
| 87 | - | 88 | - | 6 | 600 |
| 88 | - | 89 | - | 6 | 675 |
| 89 | - | 90 | - | 6 | 750 |
| 90 | - | 91 | - | 6 | 825 |
| 91 | - | 92 | - | 6 | 900 |
| 92 | - | 93 | - | 6 | 975 |
| 93 | - | 94 | - | 7 | 050 |
| 94 | - | 95 | - | 7 | 125 |
| 95 | - | 96 | - | 7 | 200 |
| 96 | - | 97 | - | 7 | 275 |
| 97 | - | 98 | - | 7 | 350 |
| 98 | - | 99 | - | 7 | 425 |
| 99 | - | 100 | - | 7 | 500 |
| 100 | - | 110 | - | 10 | - |
| 110 | - | 120 | - | 10 | 500 |
| 120 | - | 130 | - | 11 | - |
| 130 | - | 140 | - | 11 | 500 |
| 140 | - | 150 | - | 12 | - |
| 150 | - | 160 | - | 12 | 500 |
| 160 | - | 170 | - | 13 | - |
| 170 | - | 180 | - | 13 | 500 |
| 180 | - | 190 | - | 14 | - |
| 190 | - | 200 | - | 14 | 500 |
| 200 | - | 210 | - | 16 | - |
| 210 | - | 220 | - | 16 | 500 |
| 220 | - | 230 | - | 17 | - |
| 230 | - | 240 | - | 17 | 500 |
| 240 | - | 250 | - | 18 | - |
| 250 | - | 260 | - | 18 | 500 |
| 260 | - | 270 | - | 19 | - |
| 270 | - | 280 | - | 19 | 500 |
| 280 | - | 290 | - | 20 | - |
| 290 | - | 300 | - | 20 | 500 |
| 300 | - | 310 | - | 21 | - |
| 310 | - | 320 | - | 21 | 500 |
| 320 | - | 330 | - | 22 | - |
| 330 | - | 340 | - | 22 | 500 |
| 340 | - | 350 | - | 23 | - |
| 350 | - | 360 | - | 23 | 500 |
| 360 | - | 370 | - | 24 | - |
| 370 | - | 380 | - | 24 | 500 |
| 380 | - | 390 | - | 25 | - |
| 390 | - | 400 | - | 25 | 500 |
| 400 | - | 410 | - | 27 | - |
| 410 | - | 420 | - | 27 | 500 |
| 420 | - | 430 | - | 28 | - |
| 430 | - | 440 | - | 28 | 500 |
| 440 | - | 450 | - | 29 | - |
| 450 | - | 460 | - | 29 | 500 |
| 460 | - | 470 | - | 30 | - |
| 470 | - | 480 | - | 30 | 500 |
| 480 | - | 490 | - | 31 | - |
| 490 | - | 500 | - | 31 | 500 |
| 500 | - | 525 | - | 33 | - |
| 525 | - | 550 | - | 34 | 500 |
| 550 | - | 575 | - | 36 | - |
| 575 | - | 600 | - | 37 | 500 |
| 600 | - | 625 | - | 41 | - |
| 625 | - | 650 | - | 41 | 500 |
| 650 | - | 675 | - | 44 | - |
| 675 | - | 700 | - | 45 | 500 |
| 700 | - | 725 | - | 47 | - |
| 725 | - | 750 | - | 48 | 500 |
| 750 | - | 775 | - | 50 | - |
| 775 | - | 800 | - | 51 | 500 |
| 800 | - | 825 | - | 55 | - |
| 825 | - | 850 | - | 56 | 500 |
| 850 | - | 875 | - | 58 | - |
| 875 | - | 900 | - | 59 | 500 |
| 900 | - | 925 | - | 61 | - |
| 925 | - | 950 | - | 62 | 500 |
| 950 | - | 975 | - | 64 | - |
| 975 | - | 1000 | - | 65 | 500 |
| 1000 | - | 1050 | - | 69 | 750 |
| 1050 | - | 1100 | - | 72 | - |
| 1100 | - | 1150 | - | 74 | 250 |
| 1150 | - | 1200 | - | 76 | 500 |
| 1200 | - | 1250 | - | 78 | 750 |
| 1250 | - | 1300 | - | 81 | - |
| 1300 | - | 1350 | - | 83 | 250 |
| 1350 | - | 1400 | - | 85 | 500 |
| 1400 | - | 1450 | - | 89 | 750 |
| 1450 | - | 1500 | - | 92 | - |
| 1500 | - | 1550 | - | 94 | 250 |
| 1550 | - | 1600 | - | 96 | 500 |
| 1600 | - | 1650 | - | 100 | 750 |
| 1650 | - | 1700 | - | 103 | - |
| 1700 | - | 1750 | - | 105 | 250 |
| 1750 | - | 1800 | - | 107 | 500 |
| 1800 | - | 1850 | - | 111 | 750 |
| 1850 | - | 1900 | - | 114 | - |
| 1900 | - | 1950 | - | 116 | 250 |
| 1950 | - | 2000 | - | 118 | 500 |
| 2000 | - | 2100 | - | 123 | 500 |
| 2100 | - | 2200 | - | 126 | 500 |
| 2200 | - | 2300 | - | 129 | 500 |
| 2300 | - | 2400 | - | 132 | 500 |
| 2400 | - | 2500 | - | 137 | 500 |
| 2500 | - | 2600 | - | 140 | 500 |
| 2600 | - | 2700 | - | 145 | 500 |
| 2700 | - | 2800 | - | 148 | 500 |
| 2800 | - | 2900 | - | 153 | 500 |
| 2900 | - | 3000 | - | 156 | 500 |
| 3000 | - | 3300 | - | 161 | 500 |
| 3200 | - | 3400 | - | 164 | 500 |
| 3400 | - | 3600 | - | 167 | 500 |
| 3600 | - | 3800 | - | 172 | 500 |
| 3800 | - | 4000 | - | 175 | 500 |
| 4000 | - | 4200 | - | 180 | 500 |
| 4200 | - | 4400 | - | 183 | 500 |
| 4400 | - | 4600 | - | 188 | 500 |
| 4600 | - | 4800 | - | 191 | 500 |
| 4800 | - | 5000 | - | 194 | 500 |