

## Case Study 1 - Family law - Divorce - Germany

### Costs in Germany

#### Costs for court and appeals

Case study	Court	Appeals
	Initial court fees	Initial court fees
Case A	Depends on income and assets.	Depends on income and assets.
Case B	Depends on income and assets.	Depends on income and assets.

#### Costs for lawyers

Case study	Lawyer
	Average costs
Case A	Depends on income and assets.
Case B	Depends on income and assets.

#### Costs for witness compensation and pledge or security

Case study	Witness compensation	Pledge or security
	Are witnesses compensated?	Does this exist and when and how is it used?
Case A	Yes, but witnesses are not normally required. No	
Case B	Yes, but witnesses are not normally required. No	

#### Costs for legal aid and other reimbursement

Case study	Legal aid	Reimbursement	
	When and under which conditions is it applicable?	Can the winning party obtain reimbursement of litigation costs?	If reimbursement is not total what is percentage in general?
			Are there instances when legal aid should be reimbursed to the legal aid organisation?

Case study	Legal aid	Reimbursement	If reimbursement is not total what is percentage in general?	Are there instances when legal aid should be reimbursed to the legal aid organisation? If the person's income and financial circumstances improve and in the case of payment by instalments.
Case A	When and under which conditions is it applicable? Depends on income and assets.	Can the winning party obtain reimbursement of litigation costs? Yes	Half	
Case B				

## Costs for translation and interpretation

Case study	Translation	Approximate costs?	Interpretation	Approximate costs?	Other costs specific to cross-border disputes? Description
Case A	When and under which conditions is it necessary?		When and under which conditions is it necessary?		
Case B	At the court's discretion.	Usually EUR 1.55 per 55 keystrokes, plus expenses and turnover tax.	At the court's discretion.	EUR 70 per hour, plus expenses and turnover tax.	Service of documents abroad.

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