Court of session

Cost of court appeals

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This table shows the costs recently incurred by the Scottish Information Commissioner in defending recent statutory appeals/judicial reviews made to the courts, plus any costs awarded to him which relate to those proceedings. The table does not show any costs incurred by the other parties.

Decision number	Appellant	Year to date	Costs to date	Costs awarded to Commissioner	Status
251/2011	Mr WF Ian Beggs	-	£105,409.68	Yes	The Court of Session found in the Commissioner's favour in 2014. The UK Supreme Court has recently refused Mr Beggs permission to appeal to it. Expenses in the process of being paid.
103/2021	Mr WF Ian Beggs	-	£14,856.40	TBC	Mr Beggs appealed this decision to the Court of Session and has been granted legal aid. The substantive hearing took place on 22 August 2023 – the Court found in the Commissioner's favour. Permission to appeal to the Supreme Court refused. Mr Beggs has made a further application to Scottish Legal Aid Board for direct application to UK Supreme Court, which the Commissioner has contested.
<u>169/2021</u>	Mr WF Ian Beggs	-	£35,746.00	Yes	Mr Beggs appealed this decision to the Court of Session, but has subsequently withdrawn the appeal. Expenses recovered.
004/2023	Scottish Ministers	-	£29,223.80	TBC	The Scottish Ministers appealed this decision to the Court of Session. Their appeal was unsuccessful and the Commissioner is pursuing expenses.

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