

Application for Reconsideration

(under section 51 of the Legal Services Act 2011)

Applicant details

Please **PRINT** clearly

This application is made by the aided person or legal aid applicant. The legal aid provider may however sign on behalf of the applicant provided they have received instructions to do so.

A legal aid provider may only apply for a reconsideration where it relates to a decision made under s99(5) Legal Services Act 2011.

1. **Name of aided person/applicant for legal aid**

2. **Mailing address**

 postcode:

3. **Name of lawyer**

4. **Name of law firm**

An application for reconsideration must be made within 20 working days from the date of notice of the Legal Aid decision.

You must attach a copy of the decision

5. **What decision(s) do you want reconsidered? Tick one or more**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Refusal of legal aid | <input type="checkbox"/> Income calculation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Refusal of additional funding sought | <input type="checkbox"/> Capital calculation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer assigned to case | <input type="checkbox"/> Repayment/contribution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal aid grant amount | <input type="checkbox"/> Payment plan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawal of legal aid | <input type="checkbox"/> Charge over property/assets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer's invoice | <input type="checkbox"/> Repayment from proceeds of proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): | <input type="checkbox"/> Write-off of legal aid debt |

6. **When was this decision made?**

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Late applications can only be considered in exceptional circumstances and must be made within 3 months from the date of notice of the Legal Aid decision.

7. **If your application is late (more than 20 working days from the date of notice of the decision), please clearly describe the exceptional circumstances for the late application.**

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Reconsideration grounds

8. Describe why you disagree with the decision and provide reasons/documents to support your view.

Documents

There is no need to resend documents.

Attach any documents you have not sent to us previously

9. List any documents that you think are relevant to your application.

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Payment

Indicate below if legal aid is sought for a legal aid lawyer assisting with this application. If approved, a user charge will apply to certain civil and family legal aid matters as required by legislation. You may have to repay some or all of your legal aid depending on your income and assets and whether you receive any proceeds from your case.

10. Legal aid is sought. Yes No

Where you have not already been granted aid, aid may only be available if the reconsideration is about a decision on the merits or interests of justice of an application for legal aid. In other situations where legal aid has not been granted a fresh application for civil legal aid will be required. Requests for aid may be made up to 20 working days after receiving the reconsidered decision. Any request for aid that is not made within that time frame, but is within 3 months of the decision, must explain the special circumstances that prevented the request being made within 20 working days.

Signature

Your name

Your signature

Date

day month year

Signed by

- Applicant for legal aid or aided person.
- Legal aid provider who is acting on behalf of the applicant for legal aid or aided person.
- Legal aid provider – relates to a decision made under s99(5) Legal Services Act 2011.

This application should be sent to the Legal Aid office that made the decision. You will find address details on the letter you received or refer to www.justice.govt.nz