

PINI FRANCO LLP



Immigration

We can assist you on Applications for Naturalisation or Registration under the British Nationality Act 1981.

We do not deal with the following applications:

- Italian citizenship or Italian passport at the Italian Consulate;
- Student, work experience visas and visitor visas (for tourism, or visiting friends/ family);
- spouse and partners applications, including fiancé(e)s or proposed civil partners;
- other categories, such as applications based on long residence

Rocco Franco is one of the founding Partners of Pini Franco LLP and a dual qualified Solicitor and Italian Avvocato with first class knowledge and experience in a diverse range of specialties within the English and Italian legal framework. Rocco has specialist expertise in advising and assisting both Italian individuals and corporate bodies through a broad range of legal transactions and negotiations. Rocco oversees the work undertaken for Applications for Naturalisation or Registration.

Costanza Mosca is a Trainee Solicitor. Costanza has a wealth of experience in assisting clients, especially Italian individuals, in Applications for Naturalisation or Registration. Her ability to communicate in Italian and her methodical and practical approach assists clients in achieving the best possible outcome to the matter in hand.

What services are included:

The work will involve:

- discussing your circumstances in detail and confirming whether this is the most appropriate application for you to make and what other options may be available to you;
- giving you advice about the requirements of the Immigration Rules and whether you meet the criteria;
- considering the supporting evidence you have provided;
- preparing your application and submitting it on your behalf;
- giving you advice about the outcome of the application and any further steps you need to take.

Please note that if your application is refused and further advice and assistance is required then you will be given a further estimate of costs for continuing with your matter.

We cannot guarantee how long the Home Office will take to process your application. We will normally be able to submit this type of application within two weeks of you instructing us, but we will let you know at the earliest opportunity if it is likely to take longer than this.

We will charge on a time spent basis by reference to the following hourly rates (which are exclusive of VAT):

Partners:	£375.00/hour
Consultants:	£300.00/hour
Senior Associate:	£300.00/hour
Associate Solicitor 3yrs+ *PQE:	£250.00/hour
Associate Solicitor *NQ - 2yrs PQE:	£225.00/hour
Solicitor/Registered Foreign Lawyers:	£225.00/hour
Trainee Solicitors:	£150.00/hour
Executives and Paralegals:	£125.00/hour

The exact number of hours it will take depends on the circumstances in your case such as the amount of supporting evidence that we need to consider and whether you are applying with other members of your family.

As all applications vary from person to person the anticipated number of hours and related costs, expenses and disbursements can only be estimated once we have detailed information regarding the individual circumstances of your application.

If you can provide all required evidence at our first meeting and clearly meet the applicable Immigration Rules the cost will be lower than if further advice and assistance is needed to ensure all the documentary evidence required to meet the applicable Immigration Rules is provided.

For a simple, straightforward application undertaking the services outlined above ([What services are included](#)) our estimated costs would be between £1,000 and £2,000 according to the complexity of individual cases. There may also be expenses and disbursements which could include but are not limited to:

- registered or tracked postage plus VAT the price of which would depend on weight and urgency;
- certification of documents;
- photocopying charges;

Please also note that the following disbursements (costs related to your application that are payable to third parties) are not included in our costs estimate. These will include but not be limited to:

- Home Office fees for making the application (amount applicable at time of application);
- Translation of documents (if required) the cost of which would depend on the length of the document requiring translation.