

Fee Agreement for Initial Consultation

In your initial consultation, you and the attorney will identify the type of case you have, the key issues, and the options you may have under law. You and the attorney will discuss whether the firm will represent you, what the representation could involve, and the amount of the initial deposit that would be required.

The firm charges \$175.00 per hour, rounded to the highest 10th of an hour, for an initial consultation. You may pay in cash, by check, or with a MasterCard or Visa credit card. You must sign this agreement and pay the initial consultation fee to our Secretary before receiving any professional services.

At the conclusion of the initial consultation, the attorney can provide you with a contract for legal services and with client information questionnaires. If you or the firm fail to sign this contract for legal services, an attorney-client relationship between you and the firm will not extend beyond the initial consultation. However, any communications you make to the attorney during the initial consultation are protected by the attorney-client privilege.

Privacy Policy Notice: Attorneys, like other professionals who advise on personal financial matters, are required by a federal law (the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act) to inform their clients of their policies regarding privacy of client information. Attorneys have been, and continue to be, bound by professional standards of confidentiality that are even more stringent than those required by this new law. Therefore, we have always protected our clients' right to privacy. In the course of representing our clients, we receive all manner of significant personal financial information from them. If you become a client of the firm, you are advised that all information we receive from you will be held in confidence and will not be released to outside persons, except as agreed to by you or as required under applicable law. We retain records relating to professional services that we provide so as to assist our clients with their professional needs and, in some cases, to comply with professional guidelines. To guard your nonpublic personal information, we maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with our professional standards.

Name: _____

Date: _____