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Law Firm  
via Steven Strumwasser, PhD., PA  
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The BLDG  
North Miami, FL 33181

Dear Attorney:

This will follow up my telephone communication with Dr. Strumwasser regarding your case involving alleged PTSD. I would be pleased to examine the details and consult with you regarding my knowledge and/or findings. My review will be objective and I have not represented to you that my findings, if any, will be helpful to your case. The next step would be a review of available records, including the facts of the case, litigants' contentions, clinical records, expert reports and depositions. These may be sent to the address above.

Enclosed please find a *curriculum vitae* and a statement of fees and charges. My retainer of \$2000 (**\$5,000 for criminal cases**), which is nonrefundable, is to be applied toward my bill for services. When charges exceed the retainer, accounts are billed every thirty days, net due upon receipt of statement. Overdue accounts beyond 60 days will be subject to a 1.5% finance charge per month. Collection charges and legal fees incurred in collecting a past due account will become the responsibility of that account. **For your accounting purposes, our tax ID number is**

**Please note** that this letter does not constitute an agreement for services until either a retainer is accepted *or* such an agreement is established in writing. **No work will be done on account until retainer and signed agreement are received.** If you agree to these terms and conditions, please sign the **AGREEMENT** at the end of this letter and return to us. You may fax it, followed by mailing the original.

Respectfully,

Ryan C. W. Hall, M.D.

**AGREEMENT**

I hereby accept the terms and fees set forth in this letter and accompanying Fees and Charges policy sheet for the service of Ryan C. W. Hall, M.D., as consultant and agree to be responsible for payment of his fees as stated.

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Attorney or Authorized Representative

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Date

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RE: Documents related to your case

In order for me to provide you with the most thorough and objective opinion on your case, please send all materials related to your case in a timely manner.

Please allow ample time for review. All documents should be received in my office at least two weeks prior to any depositions. After that time, any materials received may not be reviewed due to time constraints and other obligations.

Respectfully,

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## FEES AND CHARGES

*Please read this document carefully before contracting for services.*

The following are fees and charges for forensic medical services and related activities by Ryan C. W. Hall, M.D. It should be noted that ***all fees are assumed to be guaranteed by the retaining individual, company, agency or jurisdiction, at the rates listed below, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by Dr. Hall.*** I am not expected to bill any patient, family member, insurance company, or litigant unless specifically arranged in advance, in writing. All consultation and financial agreements are with the contracting consultee, agency or jurisdiction alone. Consultations will be considered without regard to whether they are related to defense or plaintiff in civil cases, or defense or prosecution in criminal cases.

Except as listed below this paragraph, **all work is charged by the hour, at \$400 per hour**, plus expenses. This includes, but is not limited to, record review, interview, conference, telephone conversation, report preparation, travel time ("door-to-door"), and time spent waiting. Consultations will not be accepted on a contingency basis.

**IMEs and deposition testimony outside my office are charged at \$500 per hour**, with a minimum of four hours if in the Central Florida area, eight hours if more than 100 miles from my office, (but not to exceed \$5,000.00 per day). Time will be measured from my leaving my home or office until return to my home or office.

**Videotaped IMEs and deposition testimony in my office are charged at \$500 per hour.**

**Depositions** scheduled at the request of opposing counsel are expected to be prepaid by opposing counsel. However, in the event that payment is not received, charges for the deposition will be expected to be paid by contracted counsel.

**Court testimony is charged at \$500 per hour**, with a minimum of eight hours (but not to exceed \$5,000.00) per day. Time will be measured from my leaving my home or office until return to my home or office. If non-billable time is inserted, I will, at my option, simply subtract the non-billable time from the total or make a reasonable estimate of the time for which the consultee is legitimately responsible. Expenses are in addition to the hourly or *per diem* charges.

**Out-of-state licensure.** If services require deposition or court testimony outside the state of Florida, the contracted attorney will verify licensing requirements with that state's medical licensure board.

**A retainer of \$2000 (\$5,000 for criminal cases) is usual, which is nonrefundable.** No obligation or agreement for services exists until either a retainer is accepted or such an agreement is established in writing. The retainer is applied against the incurred bill, at rates specified, until exhausted. Additional charges are billed to you.

Accounts are billed every thirty days, net due upon receipt of statement. Overdue accounts beyond 60 days will be subject to a 1.5% finance charge per month. **Account balances must be paid in full prior to scheduling of deposition or trial testimony.** Depositions and/or court testimony costs are to be prepaid. Collection charges and legal fees incurred in collecting a past due account will become the responsibility of that account.

**All expenses are additional.** Air travel will be by first class. Automobile rental will be billed at "mid-sized" rates, and private automobile travel at \$.35 per mile. Accommodations will be in business-class hotels or motels. Food will be billed up to \$50.00 per day. **Alcoholic beverages and entertainment will not be billed.** Special secretarial, abstracting, computer time, etc., charges are billed in addition to the hourly fee. The consultee will be notified if such charges are expected to exceed \$400.

**Canceled or unkept appointments are charged at the regular rate**, unless the time is filled with gainful activity. Time will not be charged to more than one account. If a deposition or trial testimony is canceled two weeks or more prior to the reserved time, the prepayment for the unused time will be refunded. **"Emergency" work or consultations with less than seven days' notice** are accepted subject to a surcharge of half the usual rate.