

**In Proceedings Before The  
FEE ARBITRATION COMMISSION PANEL  
of the  
BOARD OF OVERSEERS OF THE BAR**

Petitioner	PETITION FOR ARBITRATION OF FEE DISPUTE
v.	Dispute No. _____
Respondent	Panel No. _____

To the Fee Arbitration Commission Panel of the Board of Overseers of the Bar:

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_, whose address  
(Name of Petitioner)  
is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code) (Telephone No.)

hereby request arbitration of the fee dispute between myself and \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Name of Lawyer)

whose address is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code) (Telephone No.)



3. The fee amount in dispute is \$\_\_\_\_\_.

4. I represent that prior to filing this Petition, I have made a good-faith effort to resolve my dispute with the Respondent.  Yes  No

5. I represent that this dispute is not the present subject of legal action except as otherwise indicated below, nor has this matter been finally decided by a Court or administrative agency.

Have you been sued for this disputed fee?  Yes  No

Court\_\_\_\_\_ Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Maine Bar Rule 9(e)(5)(D) states: "If there is then pending before a court or agency of this State an action instituted by either petitioner or respondent involving the disputed fees, then such action shall, upon motion of the petitioner, be stayed until such dispute is resolved pursuant to this rule; and the award hereunder shall be determinative of the action so stayed."

6. By filing this Petition, I acknowledge my right to choose to be represented at my own expense by an attorney at law and to present witnesses and documentary evidence at the hearing or at any stage of arbitration. I may also at my own expense have a record of the proceedings made.

7. By filing this Petition, I acknowledge that the Panel may, in its discretion, for cause shown or on its own motion, obtain the volunteer services of and assign an attorney to represent me in these proceedings.

8. I agree that this fee dispute shall be heard and decided by a Fee Arbitration Panel of the Fee Arbitration Commission of the Board of Overseers of the Bar in accordance with its prescribed rules and regulations, which shall supersede the procedures of the Uniform Arbitration Act in the event of conflict therewith. I have received a copy of the Rules and Steps to follow in Fee Arbitration.

9. I further agree that the arbitration decision and award of such Panel shall be final and binding upon me, the Petitioner. The effect of this agreement is to give up the legal right to bring an action in court. (You should consult an attorney if you have any question concerning this agreement.)

10. I further agree that the Court having jurisdiction may enter a Judgment upon the award.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Petitioner)