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Forensic Services Rates

Forensic expert retention costs in both the criminal and civil arenas will be impacted by the complexities of the case, such as the nature of the case (e.g. number of criminal counts, number of alleged victims, the amount and type of psychological records and information needed to be reviewed, multiple forensic roles in the courtroom, etc.).

Forensic expert involvement in both criminal and civil cases are typically complicated and labor intensive. The manner of complexities will be discussed at the onset of the case in which you are retaining forensic consultation or expert witness services.

For court testimony and pretrial forensic services, we often offer a "flat fee" to include client and attorney interviews, a review of records, a written court report (if applicable), phone calls, e-mails, if such testimony is likely. Our hourly rate is \$475 per hour for court testimony/depositions and \$375 per hour for pretrial work performed. In this way, persons who have already retained an attorney will be able to anticipate a fixed fee for pretrial and court testimony services.

Orion Forensics will consider accepting other fee agreements that may be required or customary for a particular agency, law firm or a specific court. This work will be accepted on a case-by-case basis and will require a contractual agreement between the parties.

Good Faith Estimates of Requested Services

In most cases, Orion Inc. will provide a good faith estimate based on a list of possible planned services. Such cost estimates are not legally binding, not intended as a representation of a "flat fee," and may need to be modified or increased based on case developments or additional requested services. Rather, these estimates are provided simply as an initial good faith estimate, so that attorneys and clients may reasonably plan on the initially anticipated costs of expert witness services. We pride ourselves by offering services that are affordable to the middle class. *Financing*

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