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Fee Agreement in FDCPA Cases

This is our agreement for me to be your lawyer bringing a Fair Debt Collection Practices Act violation case. You are bringing your case against Law Enforcement Systems. I'm agreeing to be your lawyer.

1. The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act requires Law Enforcement Systems to pay your attorney's fees if you win your case. With this Agreement, you assign the claim to attorney's fees to me. That means, Law Enforcement Systems—and NOT YOU—will pay any and all fees for my services as awarded by the court, or other adjudicating body, or as agreed by you and Law Enforcement Systems in settlement. That's the only attorney's fee I'm entitled to. You will owe me NOTHING for my work.

2. Depending on the outcome of your case, Law Enforcement Systems may pay those attorneys fees in one of two ways.

A. If the court, or other adjudicating body, orders Law Enforcement Systems to pay a specific amount of attorney's fees, that amount will constitute payment that under this agreement that has been assigned to me.

B. If you settle with Law Enforcement Systems, part of that settlement will constitute payment that under this agreement has been assigned to me. That must equal the "fair market value" of my services. In FDCPA cases, that can usually be the biggest share of the total recovery. (In calculating the "fair market value" of my services, you and I will keep in mind that the bankruptcy court here often approves \$400 an hour when I submit fee applications.)

3. Any recovery, by judgment or settlement, will first pay costs and expenses, second attorneys fees paid to me, third your share.

4. If you fire me before any recovery, then I will assign the legal claim for attorney's fees back to you; and you agree to pay me the "fair market value" of my work up through the time you fire me.

AGREED \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_