

CHAPTER 7 FEE AGREEMENT

The undersigned Clients hereby retain and engage Kent Siegrist, Attorney at Law (hereinafter "Siegrist") to represent the Clients in connection with the preparation and filing of a petition on Client's behalf under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. This agreement supersedes any previous fee agreement, written or oral.

1. The Clients will pay to Siegrist the sum of **\$850.00** as the attorney fee for representation of the Clients, plus all costs associated with the preparation and filing of a petition. You will pay actual costs, and the costs may be slightly more or slightly less than the estimates herein. Based upon the estimated costs, your total billing for a non-business no-asset Chapter 7 bankruptcy shall be:

Attorney Fee	\$850.00
Court Filing Fee	335.00
Credit Counseling Course (pre-filing)	20.00
Debtor Education Course (post-filing)	20.00
Due diligence credit report	45.00
Processing Fee	<u>8.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,318.00

Services which are included in the stated attorney fee will include:

- a) An attorney will review and analyze your current financial situation;
- b) An attorney will make a determination as to whether client qualifies for relief under Chapter 7 and/or Chapter 13 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- c) An attorney will describe the type of debt relief available under Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 and will describe how the bankruptcy process works;
- d) Provide the various written notices required to be provided by the Bankruptcy Code;
- e) Compute your average monthly income for the past 6 months in accordance with the means test guidelines;
- f) Preparation and filing of the means test forms, petition, schedules, supplemental local forms and mailing matrix based upon information provided by the client;
- g) Preparation and attendance at the 341 Meeting of Creditors;
- h) Maintaining custody and control of case files;
- i) Verification of your identity and social security number;
- j) Giving information concerning credit counseling option pre-petition; the education requirements post-petition; and explaining those requirements under the Bankruptcy Code;
- k) A search and review of public records for any property, liens, and judgments recorded in your name;
- l) Discussion of options for retaining any secured property;
- m) Analysis of exemptions.

2. The Clients acknowledge that if additional legal services beyond those enumerated above are requested to be performed on the Client's behalf, Siegrist shall not be under any obligation to perform said these additional services in the absence of arrangements for further compensation which are mutually acceptable to Clients and Siegrist. Such additional legal services are any services not specifically enumerated above, and include but are not limited to:

- a) Preparation and filing amended schedules and statements;
- b) Defending abuse motions under 707(b) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- c) Preparing motions for authority to sell property;
- d) Defending motions for relief from stay;
- e) Defending motions to dismiss;
- f) Litigation for stay violations;
- g) Post-Discharge injunction actions;
- h) Turnover adversaries;
- i) Redemption negotiations.

3. The Clients agree that if additional legal services beyond those enumerated in paragraph 1 above are requested by the Clients, and in the absence of satisfactory arrangements for further compensation to Siegrist for the performance of those services, that Siegrist may be permitted to petition the Court to withdraw from further representation of the Clients.

IN SUCH CASE, THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CONSENT AND AGREE TO SUCH WITHDRAWAL FROM REPRESENTATION BY SIEGRIST.

4. The firms current hourly rate shall be charged for services beyond those enumerated in paragraph 1. The hourly rate on the date of this agreement is \$200.00 per hour.

5. By signing this fee agreement, you acknowledge and agree **one-half of the attorney fees (\$425.00) are deemed earned at the time work is commenced on your case; and all of the attorney fees (\$850.00) are deemed earned when the case is filed.** This means if you change your mind, part or all of the fees paid shall not be refunded. The fact that you paid your fee in advance does not affect your right to terminate the attorney/client relationship at any time.

6. Clients acknowledge that they have been informed by Siegrist that a knowingly false statement in the Debtor's bankruptcy petition or any schedule or statement filed therewith is a federal crime. Clients acknowledge that Siegrist has prepared the Clients' petition and supporting schedules and statements based upon information supplied by Clients. Clients state that Siegrist may rely upon said statements and information, and Clients warrant the information and statements to be true, accurate, complete, and correct.

7. Clients acknowledge that Siegrist has not made any guarantees regarding the outcome of any actual or contemplated bankruptcy proceeding.

8. Client acknowledges that a retainer of \$_____ is made together with this agreement, and that Siegrist will begin preparing your bankruptcy petition when you have paid a minimum of \$500.00. Clients further acknowledge that the entire balance is due before Siegrist will file your bankruptcy petition with the court.

Agreed on the _____ day of _____, 201____.

Client

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Accepted on _____ day of _____, 201____.

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