Petitioner

Mailing Address

City State Zip Code

Telephone Number (Daytime/Work)

v.

Attorney

Mailing Address

City State Zip Code

Telephone Number (Office)

E-mail Address

FAX Number

ABA Date Rec'd Stamp

## PETITION FOR ARBITRATION OF FEE DISPUTE

ABA File No. 20\_\_\_F\_\_\_\_ (ABA Use Only)

## PLEASE FILL IN BLANKS OR CIRCLE APPROPRIATE WORDS:

- 1. I request arbitration of a fee dispute between myself and the Attorney named above.
- 2. I hired the Attorney on \_\_\_\_\_

(approximate date)

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<u>USE ADDITIONAL PAGES IF EXTRA SPACE NEEDED</u>. Please do not write on the back side of this form. Thank you. 3. I asked the Attorney to provide the following services: (attach extra pages if necessary)

- 4. The Attorney ( DID) ( DID NOT) tell me the fee to be charged for the services.
- 5. The fee arrangement was:
  - (a) \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour;
  - (b) \$\_\_\_\_\_ lump sum fee;
  - (c) \_\_\_\_\_% (percent) contingency fee;
  - (d) Other:
- 6. The fee arrangement ( WAS) ( WAS NOT) in writing. (If so, please attach a copy of the written agreement.)
- 7. I ( DID) ( DID NOT) receive billing statements from the Attorney. (If so, please attach copies of billing statements.)
- 8. I was charged the total amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- 9. I ( DID) ( DID NOT) pay money to the Attorney for services. I paid the Attorney a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Please attach copies of any receipts or canceled checks.)
- 10. The Attorney ( DOES) ( DOES NOT) claim that I still owe him or her money for attorney fees. This amount is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- 11. I believe that I was overcharged in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. (Please estimate the dollar amount if you are uncertain. Your petition will not be accepted if this is left blank.)

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13. I have attached the following documents to this petition to support this claim: (Please list all documents attached in addition to the fee agreement or billing statements, if any.)

14. The following persons can support my claim:

<u>NAME</u> <u>He or She would say the following:</u>

- 15. I ( HAVE) ( HAVE NOT) made efforts to resolve this dispute directly with the Attorney before filing this petition. (Note: this petition will be returned to you unless you have made reasonable efforts to resolve this dispute with the attorney.)
- 16. I have made the following efforts: (i.e., writing, phoning or meeting with the Attorney; please include dates if possible. Attach additional pages if necessary.)

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17. The Attorney ( HAS) ( HAS NOT) sued me for the amount he or she claims I owe. The case number is \_\_\_\_\_\_. (See Alaska Bar Rule 39 for the procedure to stay a civil case until the outcome of a fee arbitration.)

a. I was served or received the Complaint (noted in Item 17) in the civil action on (date) \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Please attach copy of the summons and complaint.)

b. At the time of service of the summons in the civil action, I ( DID) ( DID NOT) receive "Notice of Client's Right to Arbitrate."

18. I understand by filing this petition:

(1) that I agree to be bound by the determination of the hearing panel which considers this matter;

(2) that the determination may be reviewed by a court only for the reasons set forth in Alaska Statutes 09.43.120-180; and

(3) that the determination may be reduced to judgment. I have been furnished with a copy of Alaska Bar Rules 34 - 42 and Alaska Statutes 09.43.010-180.

19. I request that the hearing panel resolve this matter by granting me the following: (*Please be as clear and concise as possible. Attach additional pages if necessary.*)

20. I have reviewed this petition, and it is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Petitioner\*

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