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Fees for Court & Involvement in Legal Matters

Fees and Fee Policy: Due to the addition amount to hours needed when involved with matters of court, Arkansas Families First, has a set specific fees for these services, which are separate from other service rates. Fees for forensic/court consultation are based on an hourly rate of **\$200.00**. All work related to a case is billable, including, but not limited to counseling; diagnostic evaluations; administration, scoring and interpretation of psychological tests; consultations with attorneys and/or other individuals who have information relevant to a case (for example, interviewing teachers in certain child evaluations); the review of records; discovery or other evaluations; preparation and record review prior to a deposition or court testimony; depositions and/or testimony; and travel time to offsite locations, such as court, attorney offices, schools, or home visits. Please note that insurance companies DO NOT reimburse for procedure codes associated with a court evaluation or court related work.

Clients and attorneys understand that payment of fees is for the professional services provided, and, as a mental health professionals, we do not work on a contingency basis. There are times when our evaluations, consultation, or professional opinions may not prove helpful to a client, and the client and his/her attorney will need to decide how, or if, to use evaluation, consultation, or professional opinions.

Payment and Retainer: In most cases, a retainer is requested prior to beginning a forensic/court evaluation, and the balance is paid in full prior to release of the report. A retainer fee generally is one half the estimated cost of the services to be provided for each evaluation/court consultation. There are some exceptions made to this policy on a case by case basis, depending on who is responsible for payment. Any unused portion of the retainer will be returned at the conclusion of the case. For the convenience of clients, who wish to, or need to, make payments over a period of time, the retainer and/or all fees can be paid by credit card. For counseling services, payment is due upon receipt of services.

Subpoenas served to mental health professionals may be received at:

Arkansas Families First, LLC
 4004 McCain Blvd, Ste 203
 North Little Rock, AR 72116

The signatures below indicate that the parties have been notified and agree to pay.

 Client/Guardian of Client

 Date

 Attorney

 Date

 Attorney

 Date

 Mental Health Professional

 Date