

THE CHEVALIER LAW FIRM

ATTORNEY FEES -- LITIGATION

HOURLY

\$325 per hour

HOURLY PLUS CONTINGENCY

I will sometimes handle cases on a hybrid hourly-plus-contingency fee basis. For example:

<i>Option 1</i>	<i>Option 2</i>	<i>Option 3</i>
Hourly rate: \$225	Hourly rate: \$200	Hourly rate: \$175
Contingency fee: 15%	Contingency fee: 20%	Contingency fee: 25%

PREPAID PLAN

Instead of paying for legal services at my full rate of \$325 per hour, clients can prepay for blocks of hours at a discounted rate -- the larger the block, the larger the discount.

The Prepaid Plan is best suited for matters that aren't expected to resolve quickly.

	<u>Full hourly rate</u>		<u>PREPAID PLAN</u>	
5 hours of legal work	\$1,625	reduced by 5%	=	\$1,544
10 hours of legal work	\$3,250	reduced by 10%	=	\$2,925
15 hours of legal work	\$4,875	reduced by 15%	=	\$4,144
20 hours of legal work	\$6,500	reduced by 20%	=	\$5,200
25 hours of legal work	\$8,125	reduced by 25%	=	\$6,094

The fine print:

- Fee must be paid in advance
- Fee is deemed earned in full upon receipt
- Unused hours do not expire

COSTS vs. ATTORNEY FEES

Regardless of the method used to pay attorney fees, clients generally must pay for all third-party costs incurred during the course of litigation.