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POLICY RE: REFERRAL FEES TO ATTORNEYS

1. All referral fees are paid in strict accordance with the Rule of Professional Conduct 2-200, which requires the consent of the client in writing, the referral fee being paid out of the attorney's fee share of the recovery and not the client's share, and the total fee to the client not being increased because of the referral fee.
2. The client's consent to the referral fee is set forth in retainer agreement that is executed by the client.
3. The fact of the initial client consultation being had and whether the client has been retained is always confirmed in writing to the referring attorney. If the client has been retained, then the amount of the referral fee is also set forth in writing to the referring attorney.
4. The referring attorney is supplied with either the billing, release, contingency worksheet, and/or a copy of the settlement check to provide objective verification of the total amount of the fee charged.
5. Periodic written or telephonic updates on the progress of the matter are provided to the referring attorney, upon request.
6. Referral fees are paid as follows:
 - (a) Personal injury cases involving vehicular and premises liability: 25% on settlement; 20% after trial, mediation, or binding arbitration.
 - (b) Personal injury cases involving assault/battery, products liability, medical malpractice, legal malpractice or other torts: 20% on settlement; 15% if trial, mediation or arbitration is had.
 - (c) Hourly and flat fee cases: 15-20%, depending upon the nature of the case and the amount of work involved. I handle a wide-range of business litigation matters, such as real estate litigation, (construction defects, contractor disputes, etc.); collection cases (hourly and on a contingency); business disputes; trust/wills/interitance disputes; elder abuse (financial and physical); and other types of general civil litigation matters.
7. We appreciate your referrals and will treat the referred clients accordingly.