

PRO BONO REPRESENTATION RETAINER AGREEMENT

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY: INITIAL WHERE INDICATED

I. REPRESENTATION AUTHORIZATION

I, _____, hereby authorize _____
to represent me and to do all things necessary or desirable, including initiating litigation, in connection with:

_____The representation will be limited to this matter only and does not include any other legal issues or any appeal of this matter. The representation will end upon completion of the above matter or as noted below.

II. FEES

I understand:

- I will not be charged attorney's fees for the services provided to me under this agreement. _____
- If, because of the nature of the legal matter that is the subject of this agreement, my attorney is able to collect attorney's fees from the adverse party, my attorney is hereby authorized to keep such fees. _____
- The above-described representation is limited to the period during which my income is less than that prescribed by Federal Poverty Level Guidelines and the income/asset guidelines used by the NWI Volunteer Lawyers, Inc. _____

I acknowledge:

- That if, at any time, my assets or income exceed those limits, I will be ineligible for further free representation. _____
- That in such instance, I may choose to continue my representation with my attorney on a fee-for-service basis or will be entitled to a copy of all papers in my file. _____

III. COSTS

I understand:

- There may be filing fees and other costs and agree to pay all such costs unless they are waived by the court. _____
- Other expenses, such as fees for depositions, expert witnesses, transcripts and consultants may be necessary during the presentation of my case. _____
- That my attorney will consult with me and obtain my approval, or the approval of NWI Volunteer Lawyers, Inc., before authorizing such expenditures. _____

I agree:

- To be fully responsible for any expense which I approve, unless other specific arrangements are made in writing with my attorney or NWI Volunteer Lawyers, Inc. _____

IV. CONDUCT OF CASE:

I understand:

- That my attorney will consult with me and obtain my approval before taking major steps in handling my case, including filing of any lawsuit. _____
- That it is my responsibility to cooperate fully with my attorney, including disclosing all relevant information and not making any material misrepresentations. _____
- That, if I breach these agreements, my attorney may cease to represent me. _____
- That, if I do not remain in contact with my attorney, my attorney may cease to represent me. _____
- That, Attorneys obligations under this agreement will end when otherwise required or allowed by the Rules of Professional Conduct. _____

I agree:

- To remain in contact with my attorney at all points during my representation and agree to notify my attorney immediately of any change in my current mailing address, phone number, or any change of income. _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20_____

Attorney Signature

Client Signature