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2019 Arbitration Fee Schedule

ADMINISTRATIVE FILING FEE: \$250 PER PARTY/HEARING DAY – CHARGED AS A CONDITION OF SCHEDULING

ARBITRATOR TIME BILLED HOURLY AT THE RATES BELOW (AND SUBJECT TO MINIMUM HEARING FEES)

ARBITRATOR RATES AND POLICIES

| Neutral | Hourly Rate | Flat Fee Available | Neutral | Hourly Rate | Flat Fee Available |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Monte Bersante | \$395 | Yes | Alan Gunter | \$350 | No |
| Carolyn Cairns | \$495 | Yes | Kevin Hanchett | \$395 | No |
| Paul Chemnick | \$425 | No | Hon. David Hansen | \$395 | No |
| John Cooper | \$595 | No | Scott Holte | \$495 | No |
| Michelle Corsi | \$395 | Yes | Hon. Donald Horowitz (Ret) | \$495 | No |
| Hon. Nancy Curington | \$350 | Yes | Margo Keller | \$495 | Yes |
| Don G. Daniel | \$395 | Yes | Stanley Kempner | \$350 | Yes |
| Bradley G. Davis | \$395 | Yes | Efrem Krisher | \$350 | Yes |
| J. Patrick Duffy | \$395 | Yes | Judy Massong | \$395 | Yes |
| Jack Follis | \$395 | Yes | Cynthia Morgan | \$425 | No |
| Cliff Freed | \$495 | No | David "Mac" Shelton | \$425 | No |
| Hon. Judit Gebhardt | \$395 | Yes | Jill Stone | \$350 | Yes |
| Donald Grant | \$350 | No | Kathleen Wareham | \$425 | No |

1) Payment Requirement – The applicable administrative filing fee is due at the time of case referral, however, WAMS may bill all fees at the conclusion of case activity to a single fee guarantor. Projected hearing fees must be pre-collected if there are no payment guarantors for all parties. Failure to prepay by the required deadline constitutes a failure to proceed and requires cancellation of the hearing or a revised fee allocation.

2) Award of Arbitration Fees - Unless the parties agree otherwise in writing, the arbitrator may assess arbitration fees as part of an award.

3) Settlement or Withdrawal - If a case is withdrawn from the arbitration process for any reason after scheduling has occurred, the administrative filing fee will be billed to the parties in accordance with their fee agreement, regardless of which party cancels the hearing.

4) Minimum Hearing Fee – Arbitration hearings are subject to a minimum hearing fee equal to the time reserved on the calendar (**4 or 8 hours per hearing day**) plus the applicable filing fee. A \$75/hr staffing surcharge applies to hearing time past 6:00 p.m. or on weekends at WAMS.

5) Hearing Cancellation Policy – (a) If a **Single Day Hearing** cancels or reschedules less than **ten (10) business days** before the hearing, a late cancellation fee equal to the minimum hearing fee will be charged according to the parties' fee agreement, unless a substitute matter can be scheduled; (b) If a **Multiple Day Hearing** cancels or reschedules less than **fifteen (15) business days** before the first hearing date (or utilizes fewer days than reserved), a late cancellation fee equal to the minimum hearing fee will be charged for each day reserved but unused, unless substitute matters can be scheduled. If a dispute arises concerning cancellation fee responsibility, the arbitrator can determine the fee allocation. The cancellation fee is in addition to the arbitrator's charges for time and expenses incurred before the hearing. Other cancellation policies may apply to cases involving extraordinary travel, review or scheduling requirements. The hearing date is not counted for late cancellation fee purposes.

6) Hourly Administrative Billing – Excessive scheduling or other pre-hearing requests may result in a \$150/hr administrative surcharge.

Flat Fee Arbitration Options

Written Submission Only Arbitration Guidelines - Costs **\$495/party**, has no in-person hearing and limits submissions to 15 pages per party.

Flat Fee Arbitration - Costs **\$595/party** and offers a two-hour, in-person hearing at WAMS or the arbitrator's office as follows:

- a. Each side allotted 45 minutes for case presentation plus 15 minutes for opening and closing;
- b. Submissions limited to 10 pages per party, submitted electronically and inclusive of attachments;
- c. No requests for modification/reconsideration/clarification accepted.

Excess submissions/time in Flat Fee Arbitration is billed at the arbitrator's hourly rate. Decision format is determined by the arbitrator.