# LEGAL BILLING OPTIONS AND INFLUENCERS

There are options for legal billing. Get to know the basics and what can influence the actual cost. Want to find out more? Visit us **online**.



# HOURLY BILLING RATE

An hourly rate is a common payment method. The agreed-upon fixed rate is charged for every hour that is spent on all aspects of the case.



### **FLAT FEE RATE**

A flat fee is a single and specific fee that is not dependent on the time spent on the case, unlike the hourly rate.



### **CONTINGENCY FEE**

A contingency fee is used when an attorney receives payment only if the client is awarded a cash payment.



### RETAINER AGREEMENT

A retainer agreement is an advance payment for legal services. It can be periodic-based, like monthly, flat, or a certain time period paid in advance.



# FEE FACTORS

The geographic location of your case, degree of difficulty, experience and reputation of your prospective attorney are factors that can affect costs.



