



## **RAMOS LAW CLIENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

### **TYPE OF ATTORNEY FEE AGREEMENTS:**

I have been informed and understand that there are several types of attorney fee arrangements: time-based, fixed, contingent, or combinations of these types of fee arrangements. Time based fee arrangements are determined by the amount of time involved, such as so much per hour, day, or week. Fixed fee arrangements are a fee that is based on an agreed amount, regardless of the time or effort involved, or the result obtained. Contingent fee arrangements are defined as an agreed percentage or amount that is payable only upon attaining a recovery, regardless of the time or effort involved. I understand that not all attorneys offer all of these different types of fee arrangements, and I acknowledge that I have the right to contact other attorneys to determine if they may provide such other fee arrangements for my case or matter. After such consideration or consultation, I have elected the fee arrangement set forth in the accompanying fee agreement.

### **SPECIALLY AWARDED ATTORNEY FEES:**

I have been informed and understand that the court, or an arbitrator, may sometimes award attorney fees in addition to the amount of recovery being claimed. I understand that the fee agreement I enter into with my attorney should contain a provision as to how any specially awarded attorney fees will be accounted for and handled.

### **EXPENSES:**

I have been informed and understand that there may be expenses (aside from any attorney fees) in pursuing my claim. Examples of such expenses are: fees payable to the court, the cost of serving process, fees charged by expert witnesses, fees of investigators, fees of court reporters to take and prepare transcripts of depositions, and expenses involved in preparing exhibits. I understand that the attorney is required to provide me with an estimate of such expenses before I enter into an attorney fee agreement and that my attorney fee agreement should include a provision as to how and when such expenses will be paid. I understand that the fee agreement should tell me whether a fee payable from the proceeds of the amount collected on my behalf will be based on the net recovery, or gross recovery. Net recovery means the fee will be paid based on the amount remaining after expenses and deductions. Gross recovery means the fee will be paid based on the total amount of the recovery before any deductions. The estimated amount of the expenses to handle my case will be set forth in the contingent fee agreement.

**THE POTENTIAL OF COSTS AND ATTORNEY'S FEES BEING AWARDED TO THE OPPOSING PARTY:**

I have been informed and understand that a court or arbitrator sometimes awards costs and attorney fees to the opposing party. I have been informed and understand that should that happen in my case, I will be responsible to pay such an award. I understand that the fee agreement I enter into with my attorney should provide whether an award against me will be paid out of the proceeds of any amount collected on my behalf. I also understand that the agreement should provide whether the fee I am obligated to pay my attorney will be based on the amount of recovery before or after payment of the awarded costs and attorney fees to an opposing party.

**ASSOCIATED COUNSEL:**

I have been informed and understand that my attorney may sometimes hire another attorney to assist in the handling of a case. That other attorney is called an associated counsel. I understand that the attorney fee agreement should tell me how the fees of associated counsel will be handled.

**SUBROGATION:**

I have been informed and understand that other persons or entities may have a subrogation right in what I recover pursuing my claim. Subrogation means the right to be paid back. I understand that the subrogation right may arise in various ways, such as when an insurer or a federal or state agency pays money to or on behalf of a claiming party, such as me, in situations such as Medicare, Medicaid, worker's compensation, medical/health insurance, no-fault insurance, uninsured and underinsured motorist insurance, and property insurance. I understand that sometimes a hospital, physician or an attorney will assert a lien (a priority right) on a claim such as the one I am pursuing. Subrogation rights and liens need to be considered and provided for in the fee agreement I reach with my attorney. The fee agreement should tell me whether the subrogation right or lien is being paid by my attorney out of the proceeds of the recovery made on my behalf and whether the fee I am obligated to pay my attorney will be based on the amount of recovery before or after payment of the subrogation right or lien.


**ALTERNATIVE ATTORNEY COMPENSATION:**

I have been informed and understand that if, after entering into a fee agreement with attorney, I terminate the employment of my attorney or my attorney justifiably withdraws, I may be obligated to pay my attorney for the work done by my attorney on my behalf. The fee agreement should contain a provision stating how such alternative compensation, if any, will be handled.



**CLIENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF DISCLOSURE STATEMENT:**

I acknowledge that I received a complete copy of this Disclosure Statement and read it.

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1/31/2024

**Gustavo Alvarez**

**DATE**

A stylized, handwritten signature in blue ink, likely representing the law firm.

January 31, 2024

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**DATE**