

Client's Request To Arbitrate A Fee Dispute

Directions To Commence Arbitration: Fill out form completely, submit to the Fee Arbitration Committee and send copy of the form to your attorney (either by mail or personal delivery)

<p>Client's Name: <input type="text"/></p> <p>Name: <input type="text"/></p> <p>Company: <input type="text"/></p> <p>e-mail: <input type="text"/></p> <p>Mailing Address: <input type="text"/></p> <p>City <input type="text"/>, State <input type="text"/>,</p> <p>Zip <input type="text"/></p> <hr/> <p>Client's Name</p> <hr/> <p>Client's Address</p> <hr/> <p>Telephone No. E-mail</p>	<hr/> <p>Attorney's Name</p> <hr/> <p>Attorney's Address</p> <hr/> <p>Telephone No. E-mail</p>
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1. What type of case is involved in the dispute (i.e. family law, bankruptcy, real estate dispute)?

2. Do you have a written fee agreement with your attorney? Yes (If yes, Attach Copy of Agreement)
No
3. Has your attorney filed a lawsuit/arbitration to collect fees? Yes No
If yes, have you filed an answer? Yes No
4. Have you filed a lawsuit/arbitration against your attorney? Yes No
5. How much is the attorney claiming you owe? \$ _____
6. How much do you think the fee should be? \$ _____
7. Would you like BINDING or NONBINDING Arbitration? BINDING NONBINDING
(Unless BOTH you and the attorney agree, the arbitration will be NONBINDING -- see Advisory, below)

8. Submit the completed form to the following address and mail it to your attorney:

**Napa County Fee Arbitration Committee
Nicholas Van Male
Gaw Van Male, Smith Myers & Miroglio
1000 Main Street, 3rd Floor
Napa, California 94559
Telephone: (707)252-9000
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Effect of Arbitration Advisory

"Fee Arbitration" according to Article 13 of the Business and Professions Code is called ADVISORY ARBITRATION, meaning that: **If either you or the attorney are not satisfied with the arbitrators' award, you have the right to ask the Court for a new hearing within 30 days after the arbitrators' recommendation is mailed to you. However, you and your attorney may request that the arbitration become BINDING, which means that once the arbitrator(s) make an award, no appeal or further proceeding will be possible.**

Date

Signature