

reasonable attorney's fee for such services, in addition to attorney's fees received or which they are entitled to receive by this contract in connection with the original claim. Such attorney's fees shall be awarded by the Director on the basis of the reasonable and customary charges in the locality for such services and not on a contingent fee basis. If the services rendered result in an additional award of compensation, the attorney's fee shall be paid from such amount of compensation. If such services involved no additional awards of compensation, the Director shall fix the proper amount of such attorney's fees in accordance with K.S.A. 55036(g) as amended, and such fee shall be paid by the employer or the Workers' Compensation Fund, if the Fund is liable for compensation pursuant of K.S.A. 44-567 and amendments thereto, to the extent of the liability of the fund.

For injuries occurring after May 15, 2011, your claim must proceed to regular hearing within three years from the filing of your application for hearing (which will likely be within a week of signing this contract). Therefore there must be no unnecessary delays in proceeding with your case. This three year deadline may be extended for good cause, but we must file an application for this extension before this three year deadline and the Judge must find good cause exists for the extension. Thus, if you do not keep in contact with my office, if you miss doctor or other appointments, if I cannot contact you for an extended period due to loss of contact or disconnected number, etc., I may be forced to withdraw from your case. If you do not proceed to a regular hearing within three years from the filing of the application for hearing (or obtain the extension mentioned above) you will lose all rights and benefits under the workers compensation act.

Second, if you do obtain an award or settlement leaving medical benefits open, you have to use the medical benefits within 2 years of the date of the settlement of the case or award or the insurance company may be able to terminate your benefits. Therefore do not contact me three years after your settlement or award and expect to easily obtain medical benefits as the Administrative Law Judge may terminate your benefits if not used within two years of the award/settlement.

Previous offer of \$ _____, attorney fee is twenty-five percent (25%) of total recovery, or fifty percent (50%) of the difference between previous offer and amount recovered, whichever is less.

Client understands that attorney is only representing claimant in regard to the workers' compensation case, and is not represent claimant in regard to any cases for which a written contract has not been entered into. Attorney is not representing claimant in regard to any employment case such as wrongful termination, discrimination, retaliation, unemployment, etc., or in regard to limited action matters, social security cases, etc.

 6/18/2024

Client Signature

Date

 6/18/24

Roger D. Fincher

Date

Explicitly states my attorney represented me only for workers' compensation and not for discrimination, retaliation, or other employment claims, confirming my reliance on counsel and delayed discovery of other legal rights, supporting equitable tolling.