

## CONTINGENCY FEE AGREEMENT / SOCIAL SECURITY

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that for a fee to be payable, the Social Security Administration (SSA) must approve any fee my attorney charges or collects from me for services he provides in proceedings before SSA in connection with my claim for benefits.

I understand that Social Security past-due benefits are the total amount of money to which I and any auxiliary beneficiary become entitled through the month before the month SSA effectuates a favorable administrative determination or decision on my Social Security claim and that Supplemental Security Income (SSI) past-due benefits are the total amount of money for which I become eligible through the month SSA effectuates a favorable administrative determination or decision on my SSI claim.

I further understand that AIELLO LAW GROUP, PLLC will advance all costs necessary for the preparation of my claim. I also understand that I am ultimately responsible for payment of reasonable costs incurred and agree that I will reimburse the firm for them at the conclusion of my case or termination of the attorney client relationship. Reasonable costs include, but are not limited to, medical document charges and postage fees.

I understand that there is a \$100 administrative cost recovery charge to cover mileage, photocopies, phone calls, facsimile, ink and the like and I agree to pay same at the conclusion of my case.

I also understand that if SSA favorably decides the claim, I will pay a fee of the lesser of 25% of any past-due benefits or the applicable maximum amount (set by the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to section 206(a)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act). If a favorable decision is issued at the Initial or Reconsideration levels, or after an initial decision by an Administrative Law Judge not subject to further appeal, the fee will be 25% of the past-due benefits payable to the Claimant and any beneficiaries entitled to benefits under Claimant's account, or \$9,200, whichever is less.

The applicable maximum is currently \$9,200.00 for cases favorably decided but may further be increased from time to time by the Commissioner of Social Security.

If the claimant is awarded by the Appeals Council or by a Federal Court, or following an order of remand issued by the Social Security Administration or a Federal Court, the fee shall be 25% of the total accrued payable to the claimant and any auxiliaries.

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Client

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Date

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