

**CHARLESTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION and CHARLESTON COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY**

**SUGGESTED GUIDELINES FOR MEDICAL-LEGAL FEES**

**PREAMBLE:** The Medical-Legal Committees of the Charleston County Bar Association and the Charleston County Medical Society have, in cooperation, set forth the following suggested medical-legal fees. The committees believe the physician is entitled to reasonable compensation for time spent in providing these services. **The fees for all medical-legal services are negotiable between the involved parties unless otherwise stipulated by law.**

Extensive review of medical records with narrative report and opinion with copies		\$250 - \$500/hr
Medical examination with narrative report and copies		\$250 - \$600/hr
Trial court appearance	In City	\$250 - \$600/hr - portal to portal
	Out of City	\$250 - \$600/hr plus actual expenses
	Availability	\$250 - \$600/hr
(precluded from patient care because of requested court appearance)		
Pre-trial conference or deposition		\$250 - \$600/hr
Copy of medical records		\$.65/page for the first 30 pages, and \$.50/page thereafter * SC Code of Laws states that patient records shall be retained for at least ten years for adult patients and at least thirteen years for minors. These minimum record keeping periods begin to run from the last date of treatment
Clerical Fee		not to exceed \$15 plus actual postage

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