

FORENSIC ACCOUNTING RETAINER AGREEMENT

This Forensic Accounting Retainer Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into and made effective as of _____, by and between:

Client:

Forensic Accountant:

WHEREAS, Client desires to retain the professional services of the Forensic Accountant to perform forensic accounting investigative, and/or litigation support services as detailed herein, and the Forensic Accountant agrees to perform these services under the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Forensic Accountant shall provide the following professional services:

2. RETAINER AND FEES

- A. **Retainer Amount:** Client agrees to pay the Forensic Accountant a non-refundable retainer fee of \$ _____ upon execution of this Agreement. This retainer shall be applied against final billings or held in trust as security for the performance of Client's obligations under this Agreement.
- B. **Hourly Rates:** Services will be billed at the following hourly rates:
- Lead Forensic Accountant: \$ _____ per hour
 - Senior Associate: \$ _____ per hour
 - Staff Assistant: \$ _____ per hour
- C. **Billing and Payment:** Invoices will be rendered monthly and are due and payable within _____ days of receipt. Outstanding balances shall accrue interest at a rate of _____ % per month.

3. CLIENT COOPERATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Client agrees to provide the Forensic Accountant with timely access to all relevant financial records, documents, systems, and personnel necessary to perform the services. The Forensic Accountant shall rely on the accuracy and completeness of the information provided by the Client without independent verification, unless explicitly agreed upon in writing.

4. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Forensic Accountant shall maintain the confidentiality of all proprietary, non-public, or sensitive information received from the Client during the course of this engagement and shall not disclose such information to third parties without prior written consent,

except as required by law, subpoena, or professional standards.

5. TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time upon _____ days' written notice to the other party. Upon termination, Client shall pay the Forensic Accountant for all services rendered and out-of-pocket expenses incurred up to the effective date of termination.

6. DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of _____. Any dispute arising under or relating to this Agreement shall be resolved through binding arbitration in _____.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Forensic Accounting Retainer Agreement as of the date first written above.

CLIENT

FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT

Signature

Signature

Print Name & Title

Print Name & Title

Date

Date