



WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS LEGAL SERVICES TRUST FUND

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To: Participating Panel Attorneys

Subject: Western Conference of Teamsters Legal Services Trust Fund
Benefit Adjustments and Updated Claim Form

The Board of Trustees of the Western Conference of Teamsters Legal Services Trust Fund has decided to implement a benefit adjustment. This adjustment will take effect on January 1, 2022 and will apply to all claims that are **opened** on or after that date. Please note that all claims which are opened before January 1, 2022 will remain at the previous rate, even if you submit your billing after January 1, 2022.

The hourly panel attorney rate will be increased to \$200/hr and the paralegal rate will be increased to \$100/hr. Paralegals in AZ, UT, and WA who have obtained the certification as a Legal Professional (AZ), a Licensed Paralegal Practitioner (UT), or Limited License Legal Technician (WA) can be billed at \$150/hr as long as they have submitted verification of their certification.

Attached to this letter is a current list of transaction codes with the new maximum benefit amounts. A benefit has also been created for divorce and separation cases that include children. If no children are involved in the divorce case you will open a claim under code 445. Divorce cases with children will now be opened under code 448. Separation claims with no children will be opened under code 450 and separation claims with children will be opened under code 452.

Also attached is an updated claim form. If you have already obtained a signature on the old claim form it will still be accepted. Please use the updated claim form on all future claims.

An updated copy of our billing form with these new rates, an updated Transaction Codes and Fees document, and the updated claim form can be obtained on our website: <https://teamsterlegal.com/for-attorneys/attorney-resources/forms/>.

If you have any questions, please call one of our Trust Specialists using the Fund's 800 number (In California (800) 222-3024 • Outside California (800) 222-3025). You can also reach us via facsimile at (209) 940-5251 or email at LST@deltafund.com.

Sincerely,

Delta Fund Administrators LLC

Transaction Codes / Fee Schedule

1 Administrative		450 SEPARATION	\$9,430
110 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$550	451 SEPARATION LITIGATION*	\$3,775
120 INTERNAL REVENUE	\$1,100	452 SEPERATION W/ CHILDREN	\$13,400
130 STATE TAX DEPT	\$550	453 SEPERATION W/ CHILD LIT.*	\$4,400
131 MEDICAL LICENSE SUSP. LIT.*	\$1,380	455 ANNULMENT	\$9,430
140 MOTOR VEHICLE DEPT	\$800	460 SUPPORT(CHILD OR SPOUSAL)	\$4,500
150 CRIME VICTIM COMP	\$550	461 SUPPORT LITIGATION*	\$1,800
160 OTHER PROCEEDING	\$550	465 CUSTODY	\$4,500
170 IMMIGRATION	\$2,860	466 CUSTODY LITIGATION*	\$1,800
		470 VISITATION	\$4,500
2 Real Estate		475 TWO FAMILY MATTERS	\$6,700
210 PURCHASE OF PERSONAL RESD	\$1,185	476 TWO FAMILY LITIGATION*	\$2,700
220 SALE OF PERSONAL RESD	\$1,185	480 THREE FAMILY MATTERS	\$7,600
230 MORTGAGE REFINANCE	\$550	481 THREE FAMILY LITIGATION*	\$3,510
240 BUILDING CONTRACTS	\$735	485 PATERNITY	\$4,500
250 DEED TRANSFER	\$370	486 PATERNITY LITIGATION*	\$2,700
260 QUIET TITLE	\$1,820	490 GUARDIANSHIP	\$3,590
270 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST LANDL	\$1,775	491 GUARDIANSHIP LITIGATION*	\$2,270
280 EVICTION PROCEEDINGS	\$3,100	495 ADOPTIONS	\$3,590
290 TENANT LEASE	\$830	496 ADOPTION LITIGATION*	\$2,270
		498 JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PETIT	\$4,720
3 Financial		5 Costs	
310 CHAPTER 7 - MEMBER	\$2,540	510 FILER/SERVER FEES	\$1,000
320 CHAPTER 7 – SPOUSE/PARTNER	\$2,540	515 CUSTODY INVEST./GAL COSTS	\$1,800
330 CHAPTER 13 – MEMBER	\$5,800	520 MEDIATION COSTS	\$2,000
331 MODIFICATION OF CHAP. 13	\$1,030	530 GENERAL COUNSELING	\$1,340
340 CHAPTER 13 – SPOUSE/PARTNER	\$5,800	540 TRAVEL EXPENSES	\$340
350 OUT OF COURT ARRANGEMENTS	\$910	555 DEPOSITION COST	\$500
360 EXAMINATION OF DEBTOR	\$740		
370 DEFENSE/ADVERSARY PROCEED	\$3,000	6 Traffic/Criminal	
		610 MOVING VIOLATION	\$1,340
4 Domestic		620 EQUIPMENT VIOLATION	\$830
405 WILL	\$1,060	630 TRAFFIC MISDEMEANOR	\$4,530
410 LIVING TRUST	\$2,500	640 YOUTH TRAFFIC MISDEMEANO	\$4,530
415 PROBATE	\$4,060	650 TRAFFIC LITIGATION*	\$2,500
420 ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES	\$4,060		
425 PRE-NUPTIAL AGREEMENT	\$2,860	8 Civil	
430 RESPOND TO/DEF MOD OF DIS	\$1,920	805 PERSONAL INJURY	\$2,290
435 MODIFICATION OF DISSOLUT	\$1,920	810 DEFENSE OF PERS. INJURY	\$6,340
440 SEPARATION AGREEMENT	\$630	820 CONSUMER TRANSACTION	\$6,340
443 ADDITIONAL QDRO	\$800	821 CONSUMER TRANS LIT.*	\$2,750
444 DRAFTING OF QDRO	\$1,000	822 DEBT COLLECTION DEFENSE	\$4,000
445 DIVORCE (INC QDRO)	\$9,430	823 DEBT COLL DEFENSE LIT.*	\$4,000
446 DIVORCE LITIGATION*	\$3,780	830 MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE	\$7,610
447 CONTEMPT PROCEEDINGS	\$1,430	840 PROOF OF CLAIM	\$370
448 DIVORCE W/ CHILDREN	\$13,400	850 NAME CHANGE	\$1,100
449 DIVORCE W/ CHILDREN LIT.*	\$4,400		

*Litigation benefits are paid at a reduced hourly rate. Litigation claims can only be issued when there is less than \$1,000 left on the original claim AND a hearing with witness testimony is scheduled.



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR CLAIM FORM: CLIENT & PANEL ATTORNEY TO COMPLETE. A new and separate claim form must be signed by the client for each separate legal benefit requested, whether the recipient is the participant, spouse, unmarried child age 18 and younger, domestic partner, or the unmarried child age 18 and under of a domestic partner. RETURN COPY, KEEP ORIGINAL. I hereby apply for Legal Benefits, and appoint the following Panel Attorney:

The recipient of the services ("Client") is: Self Spouse Unmarried Child Age 18 and under Unmarried Child of Domestic Partner Age 18 & under (Affidavit Required)
 Domestic Partner (Affidavit Required)

1. PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Participant's Marital Status is: Married Single Divorced Widowed Separated Domestic Partner

Number of Dependents: _____ Do they reside with you? Yes No

Participant's Social Security # - -

Name of Participant: _____

Address: _____ City & State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Sex: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Name & Address of Employer; Association, or Company: _____

Local Union No. _____ Continuously Working: Yes No If No. Last Date Worked: ____/____/____

2. CLIENT INFORMATION

Name of Person Seeking Services: _____ Participant Spouse Unmarried Child Age 18 and under Domestic Partner
(If the Participant is the Client, do not complete the rest of this Section 2)

Address: _____

Social Security # - -

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Sex: _____ Telephone Number: _____

3. PREVIOUS CLAIMS AND COORDINATION OF BENEFITS

Is this the first benefit claimed by the Participant from the Legal Benefit Plan? Yes No

If "no", give month and year of previous claim(s): _____

Are any of the legal fees, costs, or expenses involved in this claim also payable under *any other* Group Legal Plan of any other Employer or Labor Organization covering you, your spouse or dependent? Yes No If "yes," give the following information for: Self Spouse Unmarried Child Age 18 and under Domestic Partner

(a) Name and Address of other Employer or Association: _____

(b) Name and Address of other Insurance Company or Group Legal Plan: _____

4. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Client has requested that the Panel Attorney provide legal services concerning the following matter (describe): _____

The terms and conditions of the Western Conference of Teamsters Legal Services Trust Plan ("Trust"), Summary Plan Description, and Panel Attorney Agreement are incorporated by reference and made a part of this document.

Client has the right to terminate the services of Panel Attorney at any time upon written notice. If Panel Attorney is attorney of record in any proceeding, Client agrees to promptly execute and return a substitution of attorney form. Panel Attorney has the right to withdraw for any reason for which withdrawal is authorized or required by the applicable Rules of Professional Conduct.

Services are provided by Panel Attorneys pursuant to the Trust, Summary Plan Description, and Panel Attorney Agreement. Panel Attorney's legal fees will be paid only by the Trust, and in no event shall Participant or Client be asked to pay Panel Attorney's legal fees or any portion thereof. Because certain costs, including the cost of title searches, deed and mortgage recording, private investigations, and medical tests, among others, are not covered by the Trust, they will be charged to the Participant.

5. CONSENT AND SIGNATURES

THE CLIENT CONSENTS TO THE RELEASE BY THE PANEL ATTORNEY OF ANY INFORMATION THAT MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS LEGAL SERVICES TRUST FUND'S MANAGER, INDEPENDENT AUDITOR, OR COUNSEL. THIS INFORMATION INCLUDES ALL DOCUMENTS IN THE PANEL ATTORNEY'S FILES PERTAINING TO THE MATTER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4. Please sign below as indicated.

Client _____ Date _____ Panel Attorney _____ Date _____

NO ATTORNEY BILL CAN BE PAID WITHOUT COMPLETED CLAIM FORM.

ATTORNEY CODE

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CLAIM NUMBER

TRANSACTION CODE

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