

RETAINER AGREEMENT

(Equitable Distribution)

The undersigned does hereby retain and employ _____ HAUSER as my attorneys to represent me, _____, in the following equitable distribution claim: _____.

1. To pay my said attorneys a fee at the hourly rate of \$_____. The time charges based on this billing rate constitute a major, but not always the only factor in evaluating services and determining the amount of the fee. Other pertinent factors are taken into account to assure that a fair and appropriate bill is rendered, including the efficiency with which the work was done, the complexity of the matter and any special experience and expertise applied to it, the extent to which it required special or preemptive attention in scheduling, the result achieved and any special amount of professional responsibility or liability undertaken by the firm.

2. As further compensation for the services of my attorneys, I agree to pay said attorneys as follows:

_____ % of the net marital estate that is awarded, distributed or received by me as a result of a settlement or judgment of equitable distribution.

3. It is understood that I will be indebted for any costs of investigation, expert witness fees, appraisal fees, costs and expenses of litigation and Court costs incurred by my attorneys on my behalf and I will promptly pay the same. I agree that my attorneys may pay any costs of investigation, expert witness fees, appraisal fees, costs and expenses of litigation, and Court costs from my share of any amount recovered.

4. I understand that this contingent fee arrangement pertains only to my equitable distribution case and does not apply to any claim or cause of action for custody, child support, alimony or absolute divorce.

I have read this Retainer Agreement and I understand it, and I acknowledge that the terms are reasonable and fair.

This the _____ day of _____, 19_____.

The above employment is hereby accepted upon the terms stated herein.

By: _____