



INFORMED CONSENT FOR EXPERT WITNESS SERVICES

Services

Dr. Solomon will evaluate the educational records, previous psychological assessments and summaries of treatment provided to her, She will offer her opinion as to the quality of those evaluations and what further assessments if any would be appropriate. She will if asked, testify to those opinions at a fair hearing or IEP meeting. Written documentation may be provided, if requested. .

Limitations

Services are limited to the feedback, and referrals to appropriate other providers if requested, following the evaluation of the material. If you should have a crisis during the assessment process be sure to consult with me, however, this is not a contract for therapy services.

Dr. Solomon

Paula Solomon, Ph.D. is a licensed clinical psychologist. She performs limited time assessments of psychological functions and serves as an expert witness in educational rights processes.

Confidentiality

All services are confidential to the client (and parents in the case of a minor), and may not be revealed to anyone except where disclosure is required by law. Upon your request Dr. Solomon will release information to any agency/ person whom you specify unless Dr. Solomon assesses that releasing such information might be harmful in any way.

The mandated disclosure law includes “report of suspected child, dependent adult or elder abuse, and where a client appears to be a danger to himself or others, or is gravely disabled.” Disclosure may also be required pursuant to a legal proceeding. Disclosures may be required in order to process claims with an insurance carrier or HMO/PPO/MCO/EAP provider.

Fees

Dr. Solomon’s standard fee is \$125 per hour. (Testimony at Fair hearings, in court, or for Depositions is billed at \$250 per hour). All fees are due at the time the bill is presented. Dr. Solomon will assist in filling out insurance company or other health provider forms, but responsibility for payment remains with the client. Please notify Dr. Solomon if any problem arises regarding your ability to make timely payments. If your account is overdue (unpaid) and there is no agreement on a payment plan, Dr. Solomon can use legal means (court, collection agency, etc.) to collect her fees.

Set Fees

The fee for this evaluation of material, preparation for court appearance and one half day testimony in a fair hearing is set at _____. No other fees will apply unless further services are requested. Any services in addition to this, will be billed at the standard fee.

Canceling Appointments

Please give at least 24 hours notice to cancel appointments. Appointments not canceled with 24 hours notice may be subject to a one-hour appointment fee.

Client Name

Names of Parent or Guardian signature (if minor)

Date

Signature of Parent