

# Stuart Showalter, LLC

## Litigation Services

### AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

Stuart Showalter and his associates have experience in many areas of the law while specializing in family law. Our primary area of interest is in mediating agreements between parties in or headed towards litigation but are often called upon to assist in the most litigious cases.

When attorneys have said it can't be done we have said it can be and have done it. We have successfully defended criminal charges, increased child custody, reduced child support payments and won or successfully defended lawsuits in tort.

When the Lebanon Community School Corporation was charging fees to certain students for academic classes Stuart Showalter advised parents that the practice was unconstitutional. Public agencies have adopted new policies based upon his complaints or recommendations. Public records and public meetings have been opened to the public with his assistance.

**Stuart Showalter and his associates are not attorneys and are not licensed to practice law.**

However, many of the services performed by an attorney can be provided by the lay person. These services include;

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| Mediation           | - We can help resolve disputes without the expense of litigation          |
| Legal research      | - Providing assistance in helping you locate case law or statutes         |
| Civil rights        | - Providing you with guidance on where to find information on your rights |
| Jury consultation   | - Providing an analysis of observations of potential jurors               |
| Witness preparation | - Preparing you and your witnesses to testify and about the process       |
| Lawyer consultation | - Making your time with your lawyer more productive                       |
| Legal complaints    | - Assistance in preparation of complaints against lawyers and judges      |
| Pro Se education    | - Receive personal tutoring on how to represent yourself in court         |

Additionally, Stuart Showalter, LLC., can provide you with any necessary marketing tools including promotional materials, hair and wardrobe consultants, background checks and even mock trials. Your proceedings may also be promoted through their extensive network of thousands of personal contacts, media and political representatives.

Don't let the cost of attorneys prevent you from asserting your legal rights. Much of the work performed by attorneys can be performed by you with the proper guidance and instruction. Don't let an attorney perform unnecessary tasks or fail to aggressively fight for you which can cost you money or your freedom. We refer attorneys to you who keep your economic interest in mind.

### FEES

I agree to pay Stuart Showalter, LLC., at the rate of \$55.00\* per hour for all billable time as defined by the section titled 'Billable Hours'. I agree to pay Stuart Showalter, LLC., for all billable time upon demand which may include at the time service is provided or through a deposit prior to the performance of any services. Payment is accepted by cash, check or money order. I acknowledge that any disagreement over billing is governed by the laws of the State of Indiana and that **representatives of Stuart Showalter, LLC., are not attorneys** and are not subject to the jurisdiction of the Disciplinary Commission of the Indiana Supreme Court.

\* includes a \$20 per hour donation to Indiana Custodial Rights Advocates

BILLABLE HOURS

Services performed by Stuart Showalter, LLC., are billed according to the following schedule;

**Appearances:** Any time associates appear with you at any proceeding, meeting or consultation you will be billed at a minimum of one hour and then to the nearest ten minutes. *However, we are not attorneys and cannot represent you at any portion of the proceedings.*

**Research:** We will research any topic you desire and will bill at ten minute increments.

**Document preparation:** Document preparation is billed at a minimum of one-quarter hour and to the nearest ten minutes following. However, we do not create your documents but only offer formatting and proofreading assistance.

**Travel:** Necessary travel over 10 miles round trip from the Lebanon Courthouse is billed at \$.40 per mile inclusive of time.

**Telephone consultation:** Telephone calls are billed at regular rates in ten minute intervals.

**Office materials:** Copying cost, postage and other materials used in the normal course of business are provided at no additional charge.

**Associate fees:** Fees for all other services will be discussed and billed as agreed upon at those times.

Estimated cost for our services \$\_\_\_\_\_

Maximum cost before additional consultation \$\_\_\_\_\_

By signing this agreement, I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge that I have been advised by and am aware that Stuart Showalter and his associates are not attorneys, are not law school graduates and are not licensed to practice law. I further acknowledge that Stuart Showalter and his associates may not represent me in court. I understand that Stuart Showalter, his associates, nor any attorney can guarantee the outcome of any legal proceeding and I acknowledge that no guarantees have been made to me. I understand that Stuart Showalter and his associates will assist me as I or my attorney may direct but are not responsible for determining the course of my legal proceedings, providing case specific legal advice or preparing and filing documents for me.

I further agree to be bound by the conditions of this agreement and acknowledge that Stuart Showalter and his associates are not attorneys at law as are not representing me in any proceeding.

I understand that it is my responsibility to attend all courts dates and I will not be advised of those dates by Stuart Showalter or his associates.

By signing below I acknowledge that this document comprises our complete agreement and that no terms of this written agreement are subject to change by any verbal agreement.

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Signature

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