

Education Advocate Fees and Procedures

Like most consultants, attorneys or accountants we charge for our time incurred on your behalf. The good news is, our fees are quite reasonable and we almost always end up with a favorable result.

The first step is usually a phone consultation with Dr. Closson. The purpose of this consultation is to assess and evaluate your child's special needs and provide you with your options regarding our new working relationship. The first 15 minutes of any consultation is absolutely fee of charge.

To represent you by way of a telephone conference call at an IEP or 504 meeting a flat fee of \$275 is required. If you want Dr. Closson to appear at the meeting on your child's behalf, a standard \$435.00 fee is charged. A flat fee of \$100 is charged to cover travel costs and mileage expenses. You will not be charge anything for time in transit. In all cases, we will give you an estimate of any and all charges and guarantee you will not be charged more.

All expulsion-hearing meetings are charged out at a flat \$900; Charges to appeal your case to the County or the Superior Court will be negotiated prior to undertaking such tasks and will depend on the issues and the complexity of the case. Exact charges and costs and probable outcomes will be fully disclosed prior to taking on your child's expulsion case.

After the initial fee interview, all telephonic or in-office consultation will be charged out at a rate of \$175.00 per hour, unless otherwise agreed. In some cases, all you may need is a well-placed phone call or a letter written on your child's behalf. Amazing things happen once the District knows that you've obtained representation.

If Dr. Closson agrees to represent your child, you will be provided with a fee agreement as well as a release to access your child's records and notify your school district of Dr. Closson's representation of your case.