



**DR. TODD SHUPE**

Your Wood Science Expert

## FEE SCHEDULE

**Expertise in wood science, building materials and technology wood preservation and decay/insects, wood-based composites and adhesives, fastener corrosion, wood poles, ladders, furniture, flooring**

### Time Charges

For all non-legal related normal consultation activities such as reviewing documents, field work, report writing, travel, etc. the hourly fee is \$150. For all legal issues related to consultation activities such as reviewing documents and depositions, field work, literature review, consultation with the client or other experts, report writing, travel, etc. the hourly fee is \$300. Deposition and trial testimony is \$300/hour with an 8-hour minimum.



### Expenses

All expenses are billed at cost and all major expenses, except required travel, are pre-approved by the client. All travel-related expenses are to be reimbursed at cost and do not count toward retainer or 8-hour minimum for deposition and trial testimony. For example, if I provide 2 hours of testimony and my travel expenses are \$500, then my invoice will be  $\$300 \times 8 + \$500 = \$2,900$ .



### Retainer

A non-refundable \$5,000 retainer is required for all legal work to initiate an engagement and no use of my name is allowed until the retainer is received. Charges are applied against the retainer and are done so until the retainer is depleted.



### Invoicing

An invoice is submitted monthly that documents the accumulated time and expenses for the engagement as well as any credit remaining from the retainer. If the retainer has been depleted, payment is due in full upon receipt of the invoice. Any invoices unpaid within 30 days of the invoice date are considered past due and subject to an interest charge of 1.5% per month.

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