

PAUL & ANDREW ASSOCIATES.

20, Queens Park Street, Yaba Lagos-Nigeria.

Written Fee Agreement Forms

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30th 09 2009

ATTORNEY-CLIENT FEE AGREEMENT

PAUL & ANDREW ASSOCIATE and **THOMAS PAYNE** hereby agree that Attorney will provide legal services to Client on the terms set forth below.

- 1. **CONDITIONS.** This Agreement will not take effect, and Attorney will have no obligation to provide legal services, until Client returns a signed copy of this Agreement and pays the initial deposit called for under Paragraph 4.
- 2. SCOPE OF SERVICES. Client hires Attorney to provide legal services in the following matter: INHERITANCE FUND (\$15,000,000). Attorney will provide those legal services reasonably required to represent Client. Attorney will take reasonable steps to keep Client informed of progress and to respond to Client's inquiries. If a court action is filed, Attorney will represent Client through trial and post-trial motions. This Agreement does not cover representation on appeal or in execution proceedings after judgment. Separate arrangements must be agreed to for those services. Services in any matter not described above will require a separate written agreement.
- 3. CLIENT'S DUTIES. Client agrees to be truthful with Attorney, to cooperate, to keep Attorney informed of any information or developments which may come to Client's attention, to abide by this Agreement, to pay Attorney's bills on time, and to keep Attorney advised of Client's address, telephone number and whereabouts. Client will assist Attorney in providing necessary information and documents and will appear when necessary at legal proceedings.
- **4. DEPOSIT.** Client agrees to pay Attorney \$500 of \$2500. The hourly charges will be charged against the deposit. The initial deposit, as well as any future

deposit, will be held in a trust account. Client authorizes Attorney to use that fund to pay the fees and other charges as they are incurred.

Client agrees to pay all deposits after the initial deposit within Attorney's demand. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, any unused deposit at the conclusion of Attorney's services will be refunded.

5. LEGAL FEES AND BILLING PRACTICES. Client agrees to pay by the hour at Attorney's prevailing rates for all time spent on Client's matter by Attorney's legal personnel. Current hourly rates for legal personnel are as follows:

Senior partners	\$100	1/hour
Partners	\$100	1/hour
Associates	\$100	1/hour
Paralegals	\$100	1/hour
Law clerks	\$100	1/hour

The rates on this schedule are subject to change on 5 days written notice to Client. If Client declines to pay increased rates, Attorney will have the right to withdraw as attorney for Client.

6. COSTS AND OTHER CHARGES.

- (a) Attorney will incur various costs and expenses in performing legal services under this Agreement. Client agrees to pay for all costs, disbursements and expenses in addition to the hourly fees. The costs and expenses commonly include, service of process charges, filing fees, court and deposition reporters' fees, jury fees, notary fees, deposition costs, long distance telephone charges, messenger and other delivery fees, postage, photocopying and other reproduction costs, travel costs including parking, mileage, transportation, meals and hotel costs, investigation expenses, consultants' fees, expert witness, professional, mediator, arbitrator and/or special master fees and other similar items. Except for the items listed below, all costs and expenses will be charged at Attorney's cost.
- 7. BILLING STATEMENTS. Attorney will send Client periodic statements for fees and costs incurred. Each statement will be payable within 3 days of its mailing date. Client may request a statement at intervals of no less than 30 days. If Client so requests, Attorney will provide one within 10 days. The statements shall include the amount, rate, basis of calculation or other method of determination of the fees and costs, which costs will be clearly identified by item and amount.
- **8. DISCHARGE AND WITHDRAWAL**. Client may discharge Attorney at any time. Attorney may withdraw with Client's consent or for good cause. Good cause

includes Client's breach of this Agreement, refusal to cooperate or to follow Attorney's advice on a material matter or any fact or circumstance that would render Attorney's continuing representation unlawful or unethical. When Attorney's services conclude, all unpaid charges will immediately become due and payable. After services conclude, Attorney will, upon Client's request, deliver Client's file, and property in Attorney's possession unless subject to the lien provided in Paragraph 8 above, whether or not Client has paid for all services.

- 10. DISCLAIMER OF GUARANTEE AND ESTIMATES. Nothing in this Agreement and nothing in Attorney's statements to Client will be construed as a promise or guarantee about the outcome of the matter. Attorney makes no such promises or guarantees. Attorney's comments about the outcome of the matter are expressions of opinion only. Any estimate of fees given by Attorney shall not be a guarantee. Actual fees may vary from estimates given.
- 11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties. No other agreement, statement, or promise made on or before the effective date of this Agreement will be binding on the parties.
- 12. SEVERABILITY IN EVENT OF PARTIAL INVALIDITY. If any provision of this Agreement is held in whole or in part to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of that provision and of the entire Agreement will be severable and remain in effect.
- 13. MODIFICATION BY SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENT. This Agreement may be modified by subsequent agreement of the parties only by an instrument in writing signed by both of them, or an oral agreement only to the extent that the parties carry it out.
 - 14. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Agreement will govern all legal services performed by Attorney on behalf of Client commencing with the date Attorney first performed services. The date at the beginning of this Agreement is for reference only. Even if this Agreement does not take effect, Client will be obligated to pay Attorney the reasonable value of any services Attorney may have performed for Client.

THE PARTIES HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE FOREGOING TERMS AND AGREE TO THEM AS OF THE DATE ATTORNEY FIRST PROVIDED SERVICES. IF MORE THAN ONE CLIENT SIGNS BELOW, EACH AGREES TO BE LIABLE, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY, FOR ALL OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT. CLIENT SHALL RECEIVE A FULLY EXECUTED DUPLICATE OF THIS AGREEMENT.

DATED:	THOMAS PAYNE
Address:	-
Telephone:	-
DATED: 30 th of September, 2009	
Sign By:	
PAUL & ANDREW ASSOCIATE	40