

## Fees and Payments

Affordability is our aim. Tully Rinckey PLLC in Syracuse, N.Y. is committed to working with Central New Yorkers so they can benefit from our legal services and stay within their budgets. Remember, the cost of being represented by an experienced lawyer could be significantly less than the costs you could incur by receiving ineffective legal counsel.

Here is a brief overview of our fee, consultation, and billing practices:

### Fees

Legal service fees may vary from case to case.

The experience level of an attorney will affect his or her rates.

While a senior partner's fees may be higher than those of an associate's fees, the senior partner may be able to perform legal work quicker than an associate, resulting in few billable hours.

Generally, it is not possible to provide a quote on how much our legal services will cost, especially with very complex cases.

Most attorney fees are charged at hourly rates.

Flat fees may apply to certain criminal defense, family and matrimonial law and bankruptcy cases.

During a client's initial consultation, an attorney will explain common charges for the particular type of case at hand.

### Consultations

Potential clients are not charged for the initial conversation, during which a firm representative assesses whether one of our attorneys can handle a particular legal matter and a formal consultation is scheduled.

Generally, a fee is attached to formal initial consultations, except in criminal defense, bankruptcy and real estate law matters.

While other firms may offer "free" consultations, their attorneys may not review the potential client's case as thoroughly as ours would and their upfront fees may be higher.

During the initial consultation, an attorney will listen to a potential client explain his or her legal issue. The attorney will lay out options, review documentation, and propose a course of action.

Watch our consultation guide video.

## Billing

Payment options can vary, depending on the type of case and the needs of the client.

Upfront payments are required in certain cases such as those involving traffic tickets, DWI, and criminal defense.

Final payment is usually required before the completion of a case.

In cases that extend over long periods of time, the firm may accept a deed of trust or secured note to guarantee payment.

To provide a client with more time to make financial arrangements, we can request continuances for their legal matter.

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to learn about the firm's payment options.

Tully Rinckey PLLC's lawyers can represent individuals and businesses throughout Central New York, including Oswego, Ithaca, Syracuse, Utica, Waterloo, Norwich, Lyons, and Wampsville. Call today to schedule a meeting with one of our attorneys at 1-888-LAW-4-LIFE or e-mail [info@1888law4life.com](mailto:info@1888law4life.com)

Our office is minutes away from the Carousel Mall and several courthouses. Located in Franklin Square, near exits for I-81 and I-690, our office is easy get to and offers plenty of nearby parking.

If your legal matter is urgent, call 518-727-3593 to speak to an attorney 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The firm is responsive to the needs of current and prospective clients. We will respond to phone calls within normal business hours and e-mails within the next business day.