



## 2024 Criminal / Civil Court Expert Witness Testimony Fee Schedule for Domestic Violence / Coercive Control Cases

### **\$50 one-time fee**

- This fee is charged only in cases when the expert witness has committed to the date and time of the case, conducted an initial consultation with the attorney, the hearing/trial is canceled and the expert witness is no longer needed.

### **Criminal Case / Civil Case “Blind Expert Witness” Testimony**

- **\$100 per hour** for preparation time and court time

### **Civil Cases with Expert Opinion / Reports**

- **\$100 per hour** for interviews, and report writing
- **\$250 per hour** for preparation, deposition, and court time
- Some civil cases may require a retainer fee

### **\$55 per hour** for travel time

- Melissa lives on the Iron Range of Minnesota

### **Mileage**

- IRS mileage reimbursement rate
- To and from Melissa’s home office to the courthouse or other destination

### **Per diem**

- Meal and incidental expenses per diem rate
- GSA rates used

### **Hotel/lodging**

- Costs related to a hotel/lodging is requested if the expert is required to be at the courthouse prior to 9 a.m. and the distance of the courthouse from her home office is more than 2.5 hours one way

**\*\*\* All rates are subject to change.**

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