

Summary for IDR PG – Arlene Rochlin

CONTINGENCY FEE AGREEMENTS: Are They Right for *You*—and Are They Right for Your *Client*?

Basically, contingency fee agreements permit a client to pay for legal services only when the case is concluded—AND the client has won the case.

This presentation will address the following:

- history of contingency fee arrangements;
- types of cases where contingency fee arrangements are permitted;
- various types of contingency fee contracts;
- “pros and cons” ;
- and today’s practical application of this special payment arrangement between lawyers and clients, including warnings to an attorney when it may *not* be a good idea.