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REPRESENTATION AUTHORIZATION AND FEE AGREEMENT

This is to acknowledge that I have retained the services of Attorney Karen Shapiro and the law office of Karen Shapiro, PLLC (hereinafter "Attorney") to represent me in the matters below:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA vs. _____
(Client)

The agreed rate of compensation to **Attorney** for her representation in this matter is as follows:

- (1) I agree to pay Attorney a \$ _____ non-refundable flat fee for the above-mentioned cases. Court costs and fines are NOT included in this amount.
- (2) The total \$ _____ is a flat fee. No hourly rate is considered in determining this fee.

Responsibility to provide legal services will be accepted and work will begin when Attorney receive the opening advance. Attorney has the right to cease legal work and keep all funds deposited by client should client fail to make payments as agreed.

Client agrees and understands that if additional services are necessary, other than those mentioned above a new contract and fee agreement shall be necessary.

Client agrees to pay all expenses incurred by Attorney as a result of Attorney representation in this matter, including, but not limited to, the cost of investigation done by others, **court costs**, witness fees, pictures, plats, diagrams, models, exemplars, special books, court reporters' bills, long distance telephone calls and travel expenses.

Attorney agrees to put forth her best efforts in accord with established legal standards in defending Client, against the charges lodged against client.

I hereby grant power and authority to Attorney to represent client and enter appearances on client's behalf in the above referenced criminal matters.

Karen Shapiro

		<i>Karen Shapiro</i>
CLIENT	Date	Karen Shapiro, Attorney
		Date