



Contra Costa County Bar Association

[Notice of Client's Right to Fee Arbitration form](#)

Lawyers must give this notice to clients when filing a lawsuit for fees or when initiating arbitration through an alternative program ([Bus. & Prof. Code Section 6201\(a\)](#)).

Please note: The Contra Costa County Bar Association no longer operates a Fee Arbitration Program. So, when you fill out the notice choose the “There is no approved local program” option at the bottom of the form which instructs the client to contact the State Bar of California’s Mandatory Fee Arbitration Program if they wish to file for fee arbitration. Thank you.

There is no approved local program which has jurisdiction to hear this matter.

The State Bar of California will conduct fee arbitration (1) where there is no approved local program, (2) where there is a local program but it declines for any reason to hear your case, (3) where there is a local program and you wish non-binding arbitration of this dispute and the local program refuses to allow non-binding arbitration of your dispute, or (4) if you believe you cannot receive a fair hearing before the local bar named above. If you need assistance, please contact Mandatory Fee Arbitration, State Bar of California, 180 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-1639, (415) 538-2020.