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DEBT RELIEF AGENCY CONTRACT – AFFORDABLE ATTORNEY ADVICE

1. My name is Mary Heare Amodio. I am a licensed attorney (California Bar # 220907) with experience in the field of bankruptcy. I am a Debt Relief Agency authorized to provide services under the federal bankruptcy code. I work independently of your bankruptcy petition preparer and the bankruptcy courts.
2. Your bankruptcy petition preparer is not an attorney and may not answer legal questions or provide legal information or advice to you about bankruptcy. He or she is, however, authorized by the bankruptcy laws to complete your bankruptcy paperwork under your direction and control. **We are unable to serve residents of San Diego County due to that jurisdiction's rules of court.**
3. Because I am an attorney, I am authorized to answer your legal questions and to provide legal information and advice about bankruptcy. The service I provide consists of a telephone interview, usually lasting between 30 and 45 minutes, and the production of a written report. The worksheet you complete and the telephone interview will help me to assess your case for potential problems and will give me information needed to properly advise you about your bankruptcy filing.
4. After the initial interview is completed, I will send you a written report that contains information about filing bankruptcy and advice designed to help you successfully represent yourself.
5. This service is limited to individuals who qualify for Chapter 7 bankruptcy with incomes below the means test, and is limited to providing information and advice by telephone and in the written *Bankruptcy Consultation Report*. I will not physically meet with you (under any circumstance), represent you in or out of court, or review your court paperwork. You are responsible for handling your own case and for the accuracy and completeness of your bankruptcy petition and schedules.
6. To contract for the Affordable Attorney Advice service, you must send in this contract, a customer information worksheet and the \$150.00 fee in the form of a **Cashier's Check** or **Money Order** payable to **AFFORDABLE ATTORNEY ADVICE, PO BOX 1606, LAKEPORT, CA 95453**. When I receive the contract, worksheet and fee, one of my staff members will call you to set up an appointment for the interview. (The address for overnight courier delivery is 380 N. Main St, Ste J, Lakeport, CA 95453)
7. The fee for my service is a non-refundable flat fee of \$150.00. If I determine that I cannot assist you before the telephone consultation occurs, I will authorize a partial refund and return your paperwork. I will not provide a consultation for a case that is unusually complex (including cases involving small businesses, multiple real estate holdings, foreclosure, loan modification or means test counseling). I will advise you if, in my professional opinion, your case is complex and that you will need to hire an attorney to represent you during your bankruptcy. I reserve the right to terminate this contract and advise you to hire an attorney to represent and advise you in all further proceedings. *Price Is Subject To Change.*
8. You must complete (legibly) all of the information requested below and SIGN the contract.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Name: _____ Work Telephone: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ WHERE WILL BANKRUPTCY BE FILED: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Who referred you? _____ Referral's Telephone: _____

Complete and return this form with your worksheet and payment to Affordable Attorney Advice, PO Box 1606, Lakeport, CA 95453

I, Mary Heare Amodio, agree to provide the services described above for the price set out in Paragraph 7.

Dated: _____ Signed: _____

Signature of AAA Attorney (only)