

1 HOUR CLE ETHICS CREDIT

MONEY MATTERS: MAKE SURE YOU'RE HANDLING YOUR CLIENTS' DOLLARS WITH SENSE – Answer each statement with “True” or “False.”

1. Time limitations, imposed by the client, can be considered in determining the reasonableness of a fee. **TRUE OR FALSE**
2. A contingent fee agreement must be in writing and signed by the client. **TRUE OR FALSE**
3. The novelty of a legal question cannot be considered in determining whether a fee is reasonable. **TRUE OR FALSE**
4. A contingent fee agreement does not require a statement that, in the event of a loss, the client may be liable for the opposing party's attorney fees, and will be liable for the opposing party's costs as required by law. **TRUE OR FALSE**
5. If the client disputes the attorney's share of a settlement, the entire settlement amount must remain in trust until the fee dispute is resolved. **TRUE OR FALSE**
6. A charging lien under NRS 18.015 cannot be asserted unless there is a written agreement. **TRUE OR FALSE**
7. Attorneys may initiate a fee dispute arbitration proceeding with the State Bar of Nevada's Fee Dispute Arbitration Committee. **TRUE OR FALSE**
8. Nevada law forbids a discharged attorney from withholding the client's file, even if monies are owed to the attorney. **TRUE OR FALSE**
9. Whether or not the attorney fee is fixed or contingent can be considered in determining if the fee is reasonable. **TRUE OR FALSE**
10. At the conclusion of a contingent fee matter, the lawyer must provide the client with a written statement, stating the outcome of the matter. **TRUE OR FALSE**
11. A lien under NRS 18.015 may be perfected by an attorney serving notice, in writing, in person or by certified mail, return receipt requested, upon his or her client. **TRUE OR FALSE**
12. Pursuant to the Nevada Supreme Court's decision in *Leventhal v. Black & LoBello*, an attorney may wait until after judgment has been entered to assert a charging lien. **TRUE OR FALSE**
13. Pursuant to NRS 18.015, in a civil action an attorney may assert a lien upon any file or other property properly left in the possession of the attorney by a client. **TRUE OR FALSE**
14. Pursuant to *Leventhal*, a charging lien cannot attach to the benefit gained for the client by securing a dismissal. **TRUE OR FALSE**
15. A lien asserted pursuant to NRS 18.015 shall be adjudicated by the court upon motion, after five days' notice to all interested parties. **TRUE OR FALSE**

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TEST 31 MONEY MATTERS: MAKE SURE YOU'RE HANDLING YOUR DOLLARS WITH SENSE

1) Read the article on pages 20-23 **2)** Answer the quiz questions above. Each question has only one correct answer.

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