

15.3 Filing Fee Schedule.

The filing fee is:

\$200 for disputes up to \$5,000 or

\$400 for disputes \$5,001 - \$10,000 or

\$600 for disputes \$10,001- \$20,000 or

\$1,200 for disputes \$20,001 - \$50,000 or

\$1,600 for disputes over \$50,000

RULE 16.0 Request for Filing Fee Waiver.

16.1 A party seeking arbitration may file with the program an application for a filing fee waiver on the approved program form. The person seeking waiver of the filing fee who is not a client and who may be liable for or entitled to a refund of attorney's fees identified by the client as set forth in Rule 14.4, may be required to submit supporting documents regarding his or her own financial status to the program to support the client's application for a filing fee waiver. If the non-client party replies to the program that he or she no longer has an interest in the outcome of the arbitration, the application will proceed based on the client's supporting documents alone.

16.2 For good cause shown, the Committee Chair may grant or deny the filing fee waiver or order a reduced fee. The order of the Committee Chair shall be final.

16.3 The financial statement filed in support of a request for a fee waiver shall not be disclosed by the program to the other party.

RULE 17.0 Response to Request for Arbitration.

17.1 The respondent party's reply to a Request for Arbitration, together with any response, if the respondent party is an attorney, to the issue of the attorney's responsibility for any award that refunds fees or costs or both to the client, shall be submitted to the program on its approved form within 30 days of the service of the request, unless an extension of time to reply is obtained from the program.

17.2 If the attorney seeks arbitration, and there is no written agreement between the parties that fee disputes be submitted to fee arbitration, arbitration shall proceed only if the client consents in writing on the approved form within 30 days of service of the request, unless the attorney is seeking removal from a local bar program under rule 10.2 of a matter in which the client has already requested arbitration or has consented to an attorney's request for arbitration.

RULE 18.0 Requests and Responses to Requests for Arbitration.