

# APPELLANT'S OPENING BRIEF

# \$1,500

# FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

I need someone to review my client's record and draft the Appellant's Opening Brief. This is an appeal from a malpractice lawsuit where my client was the plaintiff in the trial court and is the appellant in the Court of Appeal.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

This is a lengthy record and I need someone who can review it, spot the issues, and write a persuasive Appellant's Opening Brief.

I will provide a sample Appellant's Opening Brief as a template.

### COMMENTS



## **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Samuel reviewed a very extensive record, spotted the strongest appellate issues and drafted a very well written and persuasive Appellant's Opening Brief.

He was also very responsive throughout the process. He provided me his research and some notes he took related to the case, which was above and beyond what he was asked to do.

Samuel exceeded expectations beyond

# ANALYZE HEARING TRANSCRIPT, MOVING PAPERS, AND PROPOSED ORDER GRANTING MSJ

# FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The judge granted an MSJ against my clients, who were plaintiffs in a breach of contract / breach of oral trust / breach of fiduciary duty case wherein Plaintiffs were seeking significant damages. The court's order disposes of the case in full. Because of the Court's decision, the final order will be important in setting the table for a potential appeal, and in making the issues for appeal clear. Therefore, the purpose of this project is to review the proposed order that Defendants have prepared, and to analyze it in light of their moving papers and - most importantly - in light of the Court's actual oral rulings, as set forth in the hearing transcript. The finished work product that I need is a marked up version of the proposed order that contains revisions and comments as necessary to address any issues with the order, in an attempt to make the order conform with the moving papers and the Court's ruling. A separate, brief memo may be necessary to provide me with a bullet point list of issues, but not necessary.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

This is probably a 5-8 hour project. The Lawclerk will need to review the motion papers (which were fairly lengthy, but no need to review in depth), review the reply brief in depth, since the Court states on the record that his ruling tracks what the Defendants argued in their reply brief, review the transcript of the hearing (it's about 48 pages), and spot any issues in the proposed Order which may be inconsistent with the Court' oral ruling, or inconsistent with the reply brief, and/or to make sure any of Plaintiff's arguments from the hearing are adequately addressed in the proposed order. An attorney familiar with appellate practice would be ideal for understanding the objectives of the project.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Very thorough and organized work product, sharp legal insights, and returned the project quickly and accurately completed.

# LETTER REGARDING FAMILY LAW APPEAL

# FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$500

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I need a letter directed to my client about why moving forward with her family law appeal is frivolous, that provides her alternative solutions, and explains what she risks by moving forward with a frivolous appeal.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

This is a letter to a client based on the record that is not in her favor.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

This writer helped me write a very well written letter to my client and did a great job of explaining the subject at hand. He was very responsive throughout the process and made everything easy. He exceeded my expectations.

# TRANSCRIPT REVIEW

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$2,500

I need a line by line summary of a divorce hearing transcript. This summary will be used in preparing an appellate brief.

## **PROJECT DETAILS**

The transcript length is 172 pages.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Excellent communication. She worked well through an unanticipated time crunch. Provided quality work and made revisions based upon my requests in a timely manner.

### **5TH CIRCUIT APPELLATE BRIEF**

# FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$2,500

I need a 5th circuit brief for a case involving a denied application for Withholding of Removal and protection under the Convention Against Torture (CAT). Specifically challenging an adverse credibility finding based on lack of proper legal analysis, unreasonable refusal to grant a request for a continuance, determination of what constitutes a "particularly serious crime," and improper application of the standard for protection under CAT. Template and basic outline of arguments will be provided.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

Deadline for turning in the brief is Friday, July 5 by EOB, so I need it by 12 p.m. CST on that day. I need the whole thing done in compliance with the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure and the 5th Circuit Rules as outlined here: http://www.ca5. uscourts.gov/docs/default-source/forms-and-documents--clerks-office/rules/federalrulesofappellateprocedure. I need to simply hand this off and get a polished draft back in a few days, with all formatting, citation, table of authorities, and all other requirements already in place. This is a big order, so needs someone with plenty of time this week who is extremely attentive to detail.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Big project on short turn-around. Excellent writer, did a great job. Thank you, Timothy!

# RESEARCH PROJECT RE CORPORATE PARTY IN LITIGATION

# FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$500

I need a legal research memorandum analyzing two issues:

- If my client wins his appeal, can he proceed with his lawsuit as an individual litigant only and not as a corporation?
- If my client wins his appeal, is it possible for his corporation to be a party to the lawsuit even though his corporation did not appeal the adverse judgment?

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

My client sued a bank for discrimination. He sued on behalf of himself and his corporation.

Prior to hiring me, he did not comply with all of the procedures on the appeal and his corporation was dismissed as a party to the appeal. He can still proceed as an individual on the appeal.

The record is small. No transcripts, just pleadings. We're trying to ascertain if it's worth continuing his appeal as an individual and how that will play out in the trial court if we win his appeal.

I'll provide a sample memo and some cases that may help the research.

#### COMMENTS



## **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Phillip did an amazing job on a research project. He thoroughly researched the issues at hand and is a great writer. He exceeded expectations.

# **INITIAL APPEAL DRAFT**

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$800

Add three arguments as discussed.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

Supplemental initial draft to add three arguments; review and incorporation of any relevant arguments from opposition to supplemental fee motion.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Lucinda has a great writing style, is knowledgeable about employment law matters and delivered a great brief draft on time. I would certainly use her again.

### **FAMILY LAW APPEAL - WASHINGTON STATE**

# FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$500

I need an Appellant's Opening Brief drafted on a family law appeal.

This will be filed in the Washington State Court of Appeals. I have a very useful template of a family law Appellant's Opening Brief I handled previously.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

There are transcripts to review and clerk's papers. The hope is you can spot the issues and write the most persuasive AOB that you can based on the issues are the strongest.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Ray exceeded my expectations. Not only did he write a stellar brief, but he also called me to discuss the viable issues he found after reviewing the voluminous record. I'm extremely pleased with his work product, responsiveness, and professionalism.

### APPELLANT'S OPENING BRIEF

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$1,000

I need you to please draft an Appellant's Opening Brief with regard to a dependency case. I represent the mother who had her rights terminated.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

The transcripts are 450 pages. I'll provide a sample Appellant's Opening Brief to use as a template

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Amanda drafted a very well written brief for me in a short amount of time. I'm beyond impressed with her ability to spot issues and write persuasively. She exceeded my expectations.

# **CALIFORNIA STATE PETITION** FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$2,500

The petition for writ of habeas corpus has already been written. I need someone to review my client's comments and the record and improve upon and try to incorporate my client's comments into the petition to make it as strong as possible.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

Please review the client's comments and the record and try to enhance and finalize the brief the best you can.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Kelsey drafted a very strong petition in a short amount of time. My client and I were extremely satisfied with her work. She is a strong writer, she was responsive, and she exceeded my expectations.

# **PETITION FOR REVIEW CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT**

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$1,500

I need a Petition for Review drafted on a civil case where the appeal was denied, to be filed in the California Supreme Court.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

This project will involve reviewing the Appellant's Opening Brief and the Response Brief (no Reply Brief was filed) from the appeal and drafting a Petition for Review that attempts to persuade the California Supreme Court to accept review.

The issues are narrow and review of the trial record is likely not necessary. It will be just a review of the Opening Brief, the Response Brief and the Opinion and analyzing why the Opinion is wrong and how the Supreme Court issue will have precedential value.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Jordan is a highly skilled researcher and writer that drafted an amazing Petition for Review to the state Supreme Court on very short notice. She was responsive, easy to work with, and let me know when there was more of the record needed to complete the project.

She is very detail oriented and thorough. I sincerely believe she gave my client the best chance possible based on her persuasive writing. Jordan exceeded expectations beyond belief.

### APPENDIX TO APPELLANT BRIEF

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$450

11th Circuit Appendix needed with a quick turn-around.

## **PROJECT DETAILS**

Appellant Brief is completed and appendix is due 7 days later. Unfortunately, I need a quick turn-around because time got away from me. I can provide whatever documents are needed, and most things are referenced in the brief.

### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Ben worked quickly and was very knowledgeable about Eleventh Circuit processes and procedures. I added him to my team!

## APPELLANT'S OPENING BRIEF

# \$1.000

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

I need an Appellant's Opening Brief drafted in connection with a family law appeal in the California Court of Appeal.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

There are 5 volumes of clerk's transcripts and 2 volumes of reporter's transcripts.

I already have a memorandum that pretty well lays out what the issues will be and they are limited.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Jen exceeded my expectations beyond belief. Not only did she write a strong brief, but she also delivered it to me in advance of the deadline.

Jen had to go through a lengthy record and isolate the strongest issues available and she did so exceptionally well. She was very responsive and communicative throughout as well.

# **CONVERT WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO WRIT OF MANDAMUS**

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$750

I need someone to convert my Writ of Certiorari to a Writ of Mandamus that will be filed in the US Supreme Court.

The Cert is already written, I just need someone to look at the sample I provided and change the following sections:

- · The relief sought
- The party (e.g. court) to whom the mandamus should be directed
- The reason why relief can only be sought in the Supreme Court
- · Change jurisdictional statement as shown in the example that will be provided

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

I really just need someone who can change a few procedural paragraphs. This project shouldn't take more than a couple hours.

I don't think I even need to include the record since all of the information needed should be in the Cert I drafted.

The Cert is in Word Perfect so I need someone who either has Word Perfect or knows how to convert a Word Perfect document to Word or whatever processor you use.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

I provided a very time sensitive project that needed to be completed within a few hours and David exceeded my expectations beyond belief. He was very communicative and responsive throughout the process and his work product was stellar. I am very pleased with his work and his professionalism!

# APPELLATE OPENING BRIEF

# \$1,500

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project involves researching and drafting an opening brief on behalf of our client for submission to the Third Circuit Court of Appeals appealing the U.S. District Court's rulings granting summary judgment.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

This project involves reviewing all briefing and exhibits on defendant's summary judgment motion and the court's order granting summary judgment, as well as researching the requisite appellate standards and arguments and drafting the brief, tables, citations to the record on appeal, etc., to final form for filing with the court. We anticipate this project will require 20-25 hours.

### COMMENTS



### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Stephanie is a rock star! She once again produced a high quality, well-researched and well-written brief that was all but ready to file and did so on time.

#### SUPERSEDEAS BOND RESEARCH

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$75

I need a memorandum of law on whether supersedeas bond is required to suspend execution of a particular judgment under the Texas Citizens Participation Act, and what the amount should be, if any.

### **PROJECT DETAILS**

My initial review has not found much law on this subject under these facts. I would like research done on (a) whether supersedeas bond is required under a particular judgment (attorneys' fees and sanctions under TCPA) and (b) what the amount would be, if any. If no bond is required under these facts, I need cases to support that conclusion. I will forward the judgment upon selection of lawclerk.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Chris provided a thoroughly researched and well-written memorandum of law on a tight deadline. Much appreciated and we will definitely use him again.

# **BANKRUPCTY APPELLATE OPPOSITION BRIEF**

# \$4,800

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This involves an appeal before the 9th Cir. BAP and arises from an involuntary bankrupcty proceeding. The involuntary petition was granted after consideration of a motion for summary judgment. Preservation orders had also been entered pending the determination on the involuntary petition. Debtor's counsel withdrew after the Debtor sought to sell estate property without court approval. Debtor did not timely appeal the order granting the involuntary petition.

Debtor then retained new counsel. Having missed the deadline to appeal, Debtor instead filed a motion seeking to vacate the order granting the involuntary petition and the preservation orders under FRCP 60(b), and 59(e). This motion was denied and debtor appealed.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

The appellate brief should focus on the standard of review as the appeal was taken from a motion filed under FRCP 59 and 60 (and not the actual determination on the involuntary proceeding).

The challenge with this appeal is that Debtor's counsel takes a "throw everything at the wall and see what sticks" approach. As such, it is absolutely critical that the opposition is clear, concise, and ensures the court focuses on the actual standard of review and the actual issues.

I expect the brief to be drafted and formatted to the 9th Cir BAP's requirements.

Please note that the excerpts of record total approximately 900 pages, including the transcript.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Jordan did an outstanding job on an appellate response brief. She understands appeals, the standard of review, and her audience. HIGHLY RECOMMEND!

# CRIMINAL APPELLATE BRIEF

# \$1.500

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

I need a high-level first draft of an appellant brief that encompasses 11th Circuit rules of formatting (i.e., margins, 14 font, table of contents, references, etc.) regarding a federal, criminal law matter.

# **PROJECT DETAILS**

I prefer clear, concise writing that an average layperson can read and understand. Approximately 75% of the work/research has been done by way of motions for bond pending appeal (I had to forecast arguments made on appeal). The record is not immense because my client took a plea. I will provide an outline of the arguments I anticipate, as well as other motions and transcripts (plea, sentencing) from below. I, however, need someone who readily can anticipate other points to be raised and who is willing to fight (pleas are seldom reversed).

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Fabio took a vested interest in my project. He worked hard to make sure he had a thorough understanding of the record and the arguments I wanted to make (and offered a few of his own). I was very nervous about assigning such a significant project, but after my experience with Fabio, I will certainly do it again.

# **WASHINGTON STATE** MOTION FOR DISCRETIONARY REVIEW

# FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$500

I need a Motion for Discretionary Review Drafted. The Washington Personal Restraint Petition (PRP) was denied in the Court of Appeals and this motion is asking the Washington Supreme Court to reverse the Court of Appeals Decision.

This is a short timeline so please make sure you're confident you can meet the deadline before accepting.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

The PRP Opinion is 18 pages and the purpose of this assignment is to try and refute the Court of Appeals' 18 page opinion.

I will also provide the Personal Restraint Petition, the State's Response and the Reply, which are a reasonable length.

There is really only one issue of whether the client's trial attorney was ineffective for not bringing an expert into trial. The Court concluded the trial attorney did this as a tactic, but we need to argue the Court's logic is flawed.

I will provide a template Motion for Discretionary Review you can use as a sample.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Kathryn drafted a very well written brief and was responsive throughout the process. I was extremely pleased with her persuasive writing.

## MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

# \$500

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

I need a motion for reconsideration regarding whether an amended brief in my client's case can be filed.

This is a time sensitive project due tomorrow unfortunately, but it should only be a few pages of writing.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

The project entails reviewing a motion to amend the opening brief, the response, and the one page court decision.

I would just need someone to draft a simple motion for reconsideration and can provide a template.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

David did an excellent job drafting a Motion for Reconsideration on very short notice. His ability to produce high quality work product in a minimal amount of time is second to none. He was very responsive, easy to work with and a class act all around.

# **DRAFT OPPOSITION TO** MOTION TO DISMISS APPEAL

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$400

I need an Opposition to the Respondent's Motion to Dismiss the Appeal.

# **PROJECT DETAILS**

The Respondent filed an 11 page Motion to Dismiss the Appeal. I need help opposing it.

### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Erik wrote a great motion. He is a stellar writer and was responsive throughout the process. He exceeded expectations.

# **MOTION FOR STAY OF EXECUTION OF JUDGMENT IN COLORADO**

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$120

I need a draft Motion to Stay Execution of Judgment during the pendency of appeal. The motion should include an alternative request to post personal property as a bond to stay execution during the appeal.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

My client has a judgment against him that was issued on March 25, 2019. We filed a notice of appeal. My client would like to move to stay the execution of the trial court's judgment or, in the alternative, post a bond to stay the judgment pending the appeal. My client does not have the money to put down 125% of the judgment as bond and would like to use his property as collateral for the bond if he is not able to get execution of the judgment stayed pending the appeal without a bond.

### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Charles was extremely knowledgeable and professional. I am very happy with the work product and look forward to working with Charles again. Highly recommended.

# PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$1,000

I need a supplemental habeas petition to add to a habeas petition that I already drafted and filed in the California Supreme Court.

I also need a motion for leave to file the supplemental habeas petition to be filed along with the habeas petition.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

This is a time sensitive project where I need someone who is available to work over the weekend.

A habeas petition has already been filed, but my client wants more claims added so I need someone to add the claims by way of a supplemental petition.

#### COMMENTS



## **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Paula is a highly skilled attorney that drafted a motion for me on short notice. Her work product was stellar and she was very responsive throughout the process.

She helped guide me through a difficult procedural scenario in a case and developed a great strategy that I could use. She exceeded my expectations beyond belief and I am extremely pleased.

# RESEARCH AND DRAFT APPELLEE'S BRIEF

## FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$2.000

The assignment is to prepare a complete draft of the appellee's brief in a dispute over whether an easement was extinguished under a federal forfeiture statute.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

The brief has a limit of 15,000 words, but will likely be about half that and perhaps even less. The main issues were decided by summary judgment, so the record is short (less than 400 pages). I would expect a draft to take about 20 hours.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Rob is a very good researcher and writer. He analyzed some tough appellate issues and put together a draft brief that was very complete and thorough. He is very responsive and quick to turn work product around. I will definitely use him again.

# ADD APPELLATE CASES TO ATTORNEY BIO

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$175

Need to add to my website the cases that I have won at the NC Court of Appeals and Supreme court of NC and in the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

Need someone to look up cases I've won and get links to them and a one sentence description of what the case is about. There are the 7 cases.

#### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Nareissa did an excellent job translating appellate law into language the average reader can understand.

### **APPELLANTS OPENING BRIEF**

#### FLAT FEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

\$750

I need an Appellant's Opening Brief on a civil restraining order case.

My client is the Petitioner and she wants to appeal the denial of her restraining order.

#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

This is a small record and the main arguments are that the court came to the wrong conclusion and the court wrongly excluded evidence that was critical for my client.

### COMMENTS



#### **EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS**

Taylor did an excellent job drafting an Appellant's Opening Brief. He diligently researched the relevant case law and wrote persuasively. He exceeded expectations.