

GEORGE AMPAT

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROVISION OF MEDICAL REPORTS FOR MEDICO LEGAL WORK

1. It is essential for the provision of an independent detailed medico-legal report that I have access to all relevant medical records and investigations at the time I see your client. Please ensure that you ascertain the names and addresses of all practitioners and hospitals from whom your client has received treatment and forward the original or copy records and investigations to me. If medical records and X-rays / scans are not received I will assume that you want a report without the benefit of previous medical records
2. An appointment would be sent to your client directly. A copy of the appointment will also be sent to you at that time. Unless the requirement for further investigations or past records is identified, the report will be despatched to you within six weeks of the appointment date.
3. If your client fails to attend the appointment without giving notice of five working days sufficient for us to be re-book the slot there will be a cancellation fee of £80
4. Our charge for the provision of a medical report is based on timed units. The majority of reports cost about £250. This represents an hourly rate of £200/-.
5. Please note that all accounts must be settled within six weeks of despatch of the report. Any delay beyond that would be charged an extra of 15 % per annum.

INFORMATION PROVIDED TO PATIENTS DURING THE INTERVIEW

1. Thank you for attending for your medical assessment today. I have been asked to prepare an independent medical assessment. To enable me to do this, you will need to tell me about your accident and I will need to examine you. It is important that you tell me about your accident and the result of that accident. It is vital that you do not underestimate the effect the accident had on you and equally important that you do not exaggerate the effect that the accident had on you.
2. When preparing a report I have access to all your previous medical records if you have authorised release of the same through your Solicitor / Insurance company agent. These previous medical records would include your past illnesses, accidents, injuries, operations and medications.
3. During the examination, I will ask you to perform certain movements and it is vital that you do this to your best effort. However, you must stop if you feel any increase in pain. You do not have to suffer any pain or discomfort during these tests.
4. I will prepare a report based on what you tell me and what I find during the examination. It is not possible to add to the report any symptoms that you do not tell me today. At the end of the examination, I may take photographs to demonstrate the range of motion and I may include those photographs in the report. The report may also contain relevant information from previous medical records maintained by your General Practitioner and / or Hospital.
5. I sometimes record the entire interview on magnetic tape that is preserved for 4 months after the despatch of the report to the instructing party. The audio quality is not very good and the recording is done only to aid me write the report without errors.
6. I do not represent you - this is your solicitor's job. I do not provide treatment - this is the job of your GP or Hospital Doctor. I AM NOT ON ANY SIDE. I AM HERE TO ASSESS YOU AND HELP THE COURT TAKE A DECISION.