

7. Court Policy

Client Full Name:

Client Date Of Birth:

Client Id Number:

Please be advised that the therapists, therapist interns and staff of Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC do not participate in person, by phone or in writing in any court related matter that the client of Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC may be a party to or become a party to in any way. The therapists and interns of Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC do not write letters regarding their client's treatment to any entity, including court. The therapists and interns of Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC at no time will offer an opinion or recommendation in any court matter, especially as it relates to custody.

If a court order is served and is requesting that a therapist or therapist intern of Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC be present in person and or there is a request for records, the client's consent will be requested before turning over confidential information. When obtaining this consent, the client will be told exactly what has been requested by court and there is no guarantee that the information will be kept confidential. This includes a client's mental health history; current status and inclusive records and may not be in the best interest of the client. The therapist client relationship does not render the therapist as an advocate. The therapist will withhold any opportunity to engage in a dual relationship with the client.

If called to testify in a deposition or court hearing, the client may not discern between information and records provided. All information and records are available for discovery. This may not be in the best interests of the client. The therapist reserves the right to discuss the implications of releasing information and records.

WORKING WITH COUPLES AND FAMILIES

When working with couples and families, it is imperative that all parties understand that if they wish to access their records during or after completion of therapy, all adult participants must consent to the release of such records. This also includes court letters and testimony. Both participants must consent to disclosure, otherwise the therapist shall invoke privilege.

WORKING WITH MINORS

When working with minors, please be advised that I require the consent of both the legal guardian and the minor to participate in treatment as well as the consent to release their records. As the minor's therapist, it is the therapists' ethical duty to inform the minor of the significance of releasing records as it may or may not benefit them therapeutically.

COURT POLICIES AND FEES

Please be advised that should a therapist or intern from Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC be court ordered to appear in court or at a deposition, the fee stipulation is as follows:

- \$2,000 per day plus \$225 per hour for travel to and from the court.

· \$225 per hour for preparation

Please be advised that should any provider from Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC be ordered by court to write a letter to the court, the time shall be billed at \$225 per hour.

All providers/employees of Rondeau Therapy Services PLLC will NOT be ON-CALL at anytime. Should a case be trailed, or continued, the therapist will be paid in full for each day. In addition, another \$1,000 per day on top of the daily fee, as it hinders the provider's ability to be available to their other clients.

SUBPOENAS

Please coordinate with our office to ensure that the therapist can be available for the date and time of the deposition or court hearing. The therapist may agree to accept the subpoena via email if agreed upon. Reminder: A subpoena in which the client provided the therapist as a potential witness shall be billed in full for all court related activity.

All court fees must be received by cashier's check 7 days prior to the court date. Should the court, calendar the hearing for another date, the provider must be re-issued a new subpoena with the new court hearing date.

Should the provider be on vacation, the party initiating the court order must take reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on a person subject to the subpoena.

By signing and dating below, you understand and agree to the above stated court policy and stipulation, including but not limited to the fee structure for all related court matters.

I understand and agree to this court policy.

Signature

By typing your full legal name below you certify this as your electronic signature:

Enter date of signature: