

COST OF SERVICE

The value of architectural services depends on the skill and quality of the architect. Choosing the right architect can make all the difference. Look for experience and a commitment to provide value supported by the architect's satisfied and happy clients. Expect value for the services you purchased.

Most clients prefer to pay a fixed amount for services. This is easily achieved by clearly defining the scope of service needed for your project. Actual costs are negotiated and depend on your specific circumstances, the degree of your participation and other factors you wish to have considered. To place a value of these architectural services, depending on your project, the cost of my services can be under 30¢/sq.m. (3¢/sq.ft.) over the lifetime of your building.

For services relating to advisory work or counseling, better value is achieved by simply charging for the time needed to address the matter you wish reviewed or discussed. Rates can be in portions of an hour @ \$30 for 15 minutes of various basic services: advisory, design, counseling, strategic assessments, trouble shooting, expert opinions, second opinions, forensic, evaluations, due diligence, dispute resolution, etc. If a larger scope of service is the result of these discussions, a fixed fee can be set by our mutual agreement to suit your needs.

Your Specific Circumstances

- If your funds are initially in short supply, arrangements can be made to defer all payments until the project or services have been completed.
- To expedite a project, we can assign our fees to an equity position by participation in your project's ownership.
- Your socially worthy initiatives, requiring pro bono services, will be considered.
- For your convenience, payments by credit card can be accepted when prearranged.

Protection of the Client

It is not mandatory for licensed architects to carry Professional Liability Insurance. However, it is our policy to protect our clients by carrying Professional Liability Insurance.