



PROFESSIONAL
CONSULTING

RATE SCHEDULE FOR 2026 HOURLY RATES

Principal Engineer _____	\$300
Technical/Engineering Assistant _____	\$150
Non-Technical/Administrative Assistant _____	\$75
Expert Witness Testimony* _____	\$400
Travel and Meal Expenses** _____	actual cost
Mileage _____	IRS or \$0.725/mile
Other Project Expenses** _____	cost, plus 15%

Rates are typically modified annually on or about January 1. The rates shown are valid through December 2026.

Invoices will be submitted to the client monthly and will be due thirty (30) days from submission. Invoices are delinquent if payment is not received within thirty (30) days of invoice and may be subject to an additional charge of one-and-one-half (1.5) percent per month. A retainer may be required in advance of, or during, the performance of any service. Such retainer payments will be credited to the Client's account and any unused portion (following the final invoice) will be refunded. All project-related time is billable at the rates outlined above. Billable time includes, but is not limited to, site inspections, travel time to and from inspections, review of documents, research, correspondence, emails, analysis, phone calls, meetings, deposition/testimony preparation, file review, report writing, technical peer review, and general project administration. Time will generally be rounded up to the 0.25-hour (15-minute) interval. Billable time incurred over weekends and holidays requested by the client will be billed at \$400 per hour.

* Note – Unless agreed upon in writing, Deposition, Arbitration, and Trial Testimony are billed for a minimum of four (4) hours and paid in advance. The party requesting said testimony is responsible for the full amount of the testimony fees - including portal to portal travel. For travel time to/from the MCD office and the location of said testimony, a rate of \$300/hour will be charged to the party requesting the testimony.

** Note - Travel and meal expenses are charged at MCD's cost. Local mileage will be charged at current IRS mileage rates per mile. The most effective air travel for the project will be utilized and will be charged at economy fares and/or coach fares. Project expenses including materials, subcontractors, and third-party vendors are charged at cost, plus 15%. If the client prefers to procure the project expenses directly to avoid the additional 15% charge, then notify MCD at the initiation of the engagement.