This matter was heard before a duly authorized Panel of the Fee Arbitration Commission of the Board of Overseers of the Bar. The Panel consisted of Michael R. Poulis, Esq., Chair; Carrie Folsom, Esq., and Cheryl Brandt, public member. A hearing was held on February 22, 2018, in Lewiston, Maine. The Petitioner appeared and testified. Respondent Daniel Nuzi appeared and testified on behalf of all four Respondents who were (at the relevant time) all partners or associates of the same law firm. The hearing was recorded by a court reporter.

Based upon the evidence presented, the Panel finds as follows:

The fees charged to the Petitioner were reasonable; the Petitioner’s application for a refund is denied.

In order to preserve the confidentiality of the written materials and of the testimony submitted at the hearing, the findings of fact and conclusions are not set forth in the Award and Determination. This Award and Determination is accompanied, however, by a separate
supplemental document which sets forth the findings of fact and conclusions of the Panel. By ruling of the Chair, the attached supplemental documents shall not be considered part of the Award, which is a public document. In accordance with Maine Bar Rule 7(h), the supplemental document shall be confidential and shall not be open to the public or disclosed to any person except as otherwise set forth in Maine Bar Rule 7(h).

This Award and Determination is in full settlement of all claims submitted to the arbitration panel.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has subscribed to this Award and Determination on February 26, 2018.

Michael R. Poulin, Esq., Panel 2 Chair
Fee Arbitration Commission