NOTICE TO PATIENT REGARDING OTHER COVERAGE

In an auto accident case, or a case where there may possibly be more than one insurance policy responsible, please read and indicate you understand this by your signature at the bottom. To prevent you from having outstanding balances on your account that may present a hardship on you in the future, you may want to present us with any additional insurance coverage or information at this time.

There are two types of insurance programs that could apply:

1. <u>Your private or group, HMO, PPO, or other insurance program</u>, such as Blue Cross, Travelers, Mass. Mutual, Aetna, Etc., or any group plan provided by you or your spouse's employer, or privately secured by you. If there is such a policy, would you please furnish my office with any or all of the following:

- A. Insurance company name, address/phone:
- *B. Policy number*:
- *C. Name of agent or adjuster:*
- D. Address and, phone number of the agent or adjuster:
- E. <u>Any other relevant information or materials you may have pertaining to your insurance.</u>

NOTE: If you have a CERTIFICATE rather than a POLICY, you are most likely not covered for our services. (Let us check for you anyway.) When one holds a certificate rather than a regular policy, it is an indication your employer is a self- insured company. Most Self- Insured Companies that come under ERISA, (Federal Guidelines,) are not required to follow State Regulations or Mandates.

Of course, if your automobile policy is responsible for, and is covering your medical bills, you cannot collect, or have others collect from your private or group policy unless it is for balances not covered by your auto insurance or not ultimately recoverable from your auto insurance company. Ask your attorney if your private or group insurance or the other at fault party, as the case may be, must be responsible for the deductibles and or any other balances due that your auto insurance does not cover.

If you were a passenger in an auto, which was not covered by a medical policy, the insurance company, which carries YOUR OWN policy, may be responsible for your medical bills. If you are a dependent of a policy-holder, this may also apply. Check to see if you carry uninsured motorist protection on your policy. In conclusion, if you are able to locate a private, group, or other automobile, or medical, insurance policy to cover the balance due on your account, this will be to your advantage. If you locate another source of coverage it will reduce the amount coming from your final settlement, if and when your attorney reaches one, as the balance of your account will have already been paid in full or at least reduced.

If your attorney has not signed a **LETTER OF PROTECTION** in your personal injury case, you **WILL BE** responsible for the balance due. If your attorney has signed a **LOP** and you maintain the same Law Firm or obtain a **LOP** from a new law firm, you **WILL NOT** be billed for any amount for which we are holding this lien. Previous statements apply, until such time, as settlement has occurred & payment in full received by us, or arrangements made with you & /or your attorney.

You will also not be responsible for any balances due, until a settlement is reached, at which time your attorney would then satisfy our balances due out of the settlement arrangement, should there be sufficient funds to do so. If there is no settlement, or if the settlement does not satisfy the balances due on your account, you would then be responsible for any amounts due that were not agreed upon with your attorney during settlement. As you can see from the above information, it will benefit you greatly at this time to let us know if any other coverage exists, for which we may assist you in collecting from.

If you do not have, or wish to not obtain an Attorney, or if you have no other insurance coverage, for your convenience, we do take Credit Cards, i.e.; Master Card, Visa, American Express, Diners Club, or, of course, we do take cash or checks.

Signed:	Date: