



FOP STATE TROOPER LODGE # 69
2832 NINE MILE CIRCLE
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Dear Maryland State Trooper:

Fraternal Order of Police State Trooper Lodge 69 invites you to become a member of the Lodge and enjoy the benefits of membership. Lodge 69 was chartered in March of 1970 and was the first fraternal organization in the history of the Maryland State Police. It was formed by troopers, for the benefit of troopers.

Lodge 69 is located at 2832 Nine Mile Circle in Catonsville. The Lodge has a meeting room for its monthly meetings and a social hall for other functions. The Lodge dues are \$15.00 bi-weekly for Active Membership, payable through payroll deduction. As an active member, we will provide you a \$30,000 life insurance policy and legal representation for all Department-Law Enforcement Officers Bill of Rights (L.E.O.B.R.) related issues. We will also provide you the benefit of a pre-paid legal services plan which covers a variety of off-duty related incidents. Your friends and family can join us as Associate members and receive \$1,500 of life insurance coverage and attend monthly meetings and participate in Lodge activities.

We invite you to join our Lodge and be fraternally aligned with thousands of police officers nationwide who are striving at the federal, state, and local level for legislation, financial support, and lobbying efforts that augment the State Law Enforcement Officers Labor Alliance (SLEOLA) and bi-annual conferences. Many of the national conferences are held out of state and your expenses are covered through the Lodge.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Lodge 69 family.

Sincerely,

Lodge 69 Board of Directors

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Is FOP Lodge 69 affiliated with the Maryland Trooper's Association (MTA)?

A: No. FOP Lodge 69 is not part of the MTA; however, our organization works closely with the MTA in order to serve all Maryland State Troopers with the best quality service.

Q: Does the State Law Enforcement Officers Labor Alliance (SLEOLA) represent FOP Lodge 69?

A: Yes. SLEOLA is the bargaining unit for all State law enforcement officers. FOP Lodge 69 has a SLEOLA representative who is part of SLEOLA's Board of Directors.

Q: Why would I want to join the FOP as opposed to the MTA or FOP Lodge 76?

A: We believe we offer the best benefits for the best price. These include a \$30,000 Life Insurance Policy, on and off duty legal representation, and the ability for you to purchase FOP tags.

Q: Can I be a member of both the FOP and the MTA?

A: Yes. Many troopers belong to both organizations and enjoy the benefits of dual membership.

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APPLICATION FOR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

Name(First, Middle, Last): _____

Address: _____

Personal Email: _____ Work Email: _____

Home/Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Social Security : _____ Date of birth: _____

MSP Assignment: _____ Date of Hire: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

FOP LODGE 69 PURPOSES ONLY

Application Received: _____ Payroll Card Received: _____

Beneficiary Received: _____

Application Voted on: _____

Membership (Circle): ACCEPTED / REJECTED Reason for Rejection: _____

National ID #: _____

NON-PLAN SERVICES

Schlachman, Belsky & Weiner, P.A. is a full service law firm, with a staff of attorneys whose expertise covers a variety of areas. If you desire services which are not included under the plan, an attorney will be happy to speak with you at no cost to discuss your case, and to provide you with information regarding Schlachman, Belsky & Weiner, P.A.'s fees for non-covered services.



AS A MEMBER OF THE PLAN
YOU ARE ENTITLED TO
REDUCED RATES ON LEGAL
SERVICES NOT INCLUDED
UNDER THE PLAN.

CALL 410.685.2022 OR
MARYLAND TOLL FREE 888.685.2022
FOR A FREE CONSULTATION



REDUCED FEES ON

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT PERSONAL INJURY



WORKERS COMPENSATION




MEDICAL MALPRACTICE




PRODUCT LIABILITY CASES





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ATTORNEYS AT LAW



WHO IS COVERED?

The pre-paid legal plan will pay 100% with no deductibles of the legal fees for the services provided to the member and eligible beneficiaries, which include spouse and children of the member, natural or adopted, eighteen years of age and under. The plan will also provide coverage to a handicapped child of the member residing in the member's household regardless of that child's age, providing the child is wholly dependent upon the member for support and maintenance.

WHAT SERVICES ARE COVERED?

- A. Unlimited advice and consultation
- B. Preparation of Last Will and Testament (Includes simple trust provision but excludes marital trust will or probate of estate).
- C. Domestic Relations and Family Law
 - (1) Separation Agreements
 - (2) Uncontested Divorces
 - (3) Contested Divorces
 - (4) Uncontested Annulments
 - (5) Contested Annulments
 - (6) Child custody cases (prior to or concurrent with an action for divorce)
 - (7) Change of name
 - (8) Adoption (Step Parent and same sex)
- D. Criminal Law
 - (1) Defense of criminal actions in the District Court of Maryland
 - (2) Defense of traffic violations in the District Court of Maryland
 - (3) Defense of Juvenile Court proceedings
- E. Representation at Motor Vehicle Hearings
 - (1) Accumulation of points for traffic convictions
 - (2) Violation of insurance requirements relating to financial responsibility
- F. Defense of civil actions in the District Court of Maryland
- G. Resolution of consumer problems in the District Court of Maryland as follows:
 - (1) Excessive interest and late charges
 - (2) Illegal debt collection actions
 - (3) Furniture and other personal property repossession
 - (4) Enforcement of warranties
 - (5) Consumer rights problems with credit ratings
- H. Real estate transactions (limited to primary residence of member) (primary residence is defined as that residence where the eligible participant shall reside for the greater part of a calendar year, and shall not include a resort or vacation home) as follows:
 - (1) Representation of seller or buyer at settlement of

primary residence (excludes title searches and conducting of settlement)

- (2) Review and/or preparation of contract for the sale or purchase of primary residence
- (3) Landlord and tenant dispute
- (4) Review of lease for primary residence
- I. Preparation of simple legal documents
- J. Free notary service
- K. Establishment of birth certificate

HOW THE PLAN WORKS

All services under the plan will be furnished by the law firm of Schlachman, Belsky & Weiner, P.A. at their various offices. Normal office hours are Monday through Friday - 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Appointments should be made by dialing (410) 685-2022 or our State-wide toll free number 1 (888) 685-2022.

Anyone with an "emergency" at a time when the office is closed should call (410) 685-2022 or our State-wide toll free number 1 (888) 685-2022 at any hour and the answering service will then page a lawyer on call from the firm and your call will be acknowledged promptly.

WHAT IS EXCLUDED?*

- A. Any legal proceeding in which the member or his or her eligible beneficiaries are entitled to legal representation from any other source at no cost.
- B. Any business related ventures.
- C. In any action in which the interest of any member is opposed to the interest of any beneficiary, including but not limited to any action for divorce, separation agreement, annulment, child custody (prior to or concurrent with an action for divorce), only the member shall be entitled to representation. When both parties are members, the plan shall afford coverage only to the first member contacting the plan, and the other member(s) shall be reimbursed an amount to be determined and paid by the organization through which plan coverage is provided for services rendered by another attorney for a covered service.
- D. The spouse and/or beneficiary who is not a member of the organization through which plan coverage is provided will not be entitled to any legal services, consultation, or reimbursement for legal services to be rendered by another attorney in a dispute against a member. In the event that the member and his or her eligible spouse shall be separated and not be residing in the same household, then in that event, the spouse shall not be entitled to any services or benefits as provided for under the terms of this plan.
- E. Any action deemed to be frivolous by the plan Attorney.
- F. Preparation of income tax returns, tax matters and tax information.

- G. Class actions, interventions, amicus curiae filings, or other actions not dealing solely with the personal and direct interests of the member or eligible beneficiary.
 - H. Any legal proceeding or cause of action initiated or arising prior to the member's effective date of participation.
 - I. Any dispute, legal proceeding or cause of action involving or initiated by a member and/or eligible beneficiary against the organization through which plan coverage is provided.
 - J. All costs incident to covered legal services, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Court costs, filing fees, closing costs, and fees for issuance of subpoenas
 - (2) Deposition costs, transcripts and recording fees
 - (3) Lien and judgment reports
 - (4) Master's fees
 - (5) Witness and expert testimony fees
 - K. All matters in the State Circuit Courts with the exception of domestic and juvenile matters as stated herein.
 - L. All matters on the State appellate level.
 - M. All matters before a U.S. Federal Magistrate, United States District Court, United States Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court of the United States.
 - N. All covered services to be provided under the plan shall be limited to the State of Maryland
- *Please review actual contract for a more detailed description of plan benefits and exclusions.

WHEN DOES COVERAGE TERMINATE?

All benefits available under this plan to active and retired members and their eligible beneficiaries shall terminate immediately upon the resignation from the plan, loss of members and or death of that member, including representation in all pending matters.

CONTINGENT FEE COSTS

In addition to the legal services as provided, all active and retired members and/or their beneficiaries of the plan will receive a reduction in fee on automobile accidents involving personal injuries, at a rate of twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount recovered if the case is settled prior to filing suit, or thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) if suit is filed, as compared to the customary fee of 33 1/3% to 40%. All Worker's Compensation fees shall be fifteen percent (15%) as compared to the normal twenty percent (20%) of the first ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) of the award, and the remaining fee as provided by law. In any medical malpractice cases, a maximum fee of 33 1/3% of the amount recovered as opposed to a maximum fee of 40% shall be charged as a fee.

State of Maryland
Central Payroll Bureau
Payroll Deduction Authorization

Print or type all information in BLACK ink.

Payroll Type - Check One		
<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> Regular	<input type="checkbox"/> Contractual	<input type="checkbox"/> University of Maryland

Agency Code (See Paystub): 410101
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Agency Name (Place of Employment): MD STATE POLICE

Social Security Number:

Employee Name:

Deduction Action Requested	CPB Deduction Code / Name of Deduction	Payroll Cycle
<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> Initiate <input type="checkbox"/> Change <input type="checkbox"/> Cancel	55 / MDFOP New Bi-weekly Amount: \$15.00	Deduction will begin on the next available pay period upon receipt of this form at the State Central Payroll Bureau.

I authorize the State of Maryland to deduct from my salary the above amount and forward it to MDFOP.
This deduction will continue until I submit written notice to change or cancel it on a new authorization form.

EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE

DATE

DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER

INSTRUCTIONS (PLEASE PRINT, SIGN AND DATE THIS FORM IN BLACK INK)					
Employee/Retired Employee Name		SSN		Date of Birth	Home Telephone Number
Home Address		City		State	Zip
Employer MARYLAND STATE POLICE				Group Number MG17564	
Irrevocable Beneficiary: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Note: If you select irrevocable beneficiary, you may not change the beneficiary without the consent of the irrevocable beneficiary. An irrevocable beneficiary has a vested interest in the proceeds of the contract, therefore the contract holder cannot exercise certain rights without the permission of the irrevocable beneficiary.					
DEFINITIONS & STATEMENTS					
Primary Beneficiary means the person or persons who will receive the benefits in the event of the Insured's death. Proceeds will be divided in equal shares if multiple primary beneficiaries are named, unless otherwise indicated. If percentages are listed, the total of the combination must equal 100%. Contingent Beneficiary means the person or persons who will receive the benefits if the primary beneficiary is not living at the time of the Insured's death. Will or Trust as Beneficiary Designation can be done by using the following written statement: "To [name of trustee], trustee of the [name of trust], under a trust agreement dated [date of trust]." If you wish to designate a testamentary trust as beneficiary (i.e. created by will), you should recognize the possibility that your will which was intended to create a trust may not be admitted to probate (because it is lost, contested or suspended by a later will). Claim payment delays can result if the beneficiary designation does not provide for this situation. ** Minors as Beneficiary Designation can be done by using this document. However, please note if your beneficiary is a minor at the time of claim, payments may be delayed due to special issues raised by these designations. ** Dependent Beneficiary – In the event a dependent dies, the employee is the beneficiary of their life insurance proceeds. **You may want to obtain the assistance of an attorney to help consider any special circumstances before drafting your beneficiary designation.					
BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION FOR ALL EMPLOYEE/RETIRED EMPLOYEE LIFE BENEFITS					
Primary Beneficiary	Birth Date	Relationship	Social Security #	Address	%
Contingent Beneficiary	Birth Date	Relationship	Social Security #	Address	%

WARNING: Any person who, knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties. (Not enforceable in Oregon or Virginia.)

Employee/Retired Employee Signature _____ Date _____

Important Note For Married Employees: If you live in a community property state/territory, you should obtain the signature of your spouse if your spouse will not be named as a primary beneficiary. Community property states/territories currently include: AZ, CA, GU, ID, LA, NM, NV, PR, TX, WA and WI. Payment of benefits may be delayed or disputed unless your spouse consents to waive his or her rights to any community property interest in the benefits. We have provided below a "Spousal Consent for Community Property States" for your spouse's signature. **FORT DEARBORN WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES DUE TO ANY DELAY OR DISPUTE IN PAYMENT OF BENEFITS IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO OBTAIN YOUR SPOUSE'S SIGNATURE.**

Spousal Consent for Community Property States/Territories: I hereby consent to the Primary Beneficiary designated by my spouse. This consent supersedes any prior spousal consent I may have given under this plan.

Spouse Signature _____ Date _____ ☐ Employee has no legal spouse