

.04 GA Interim Assistance Authorization - GA Reimbursement - Attorney's Fees

From the amount of [Interim Assistance Authorization](#) reimbursement retained by FAA, OARC pays the claim of any attorney or advocate under the supervision of an attorney. The claim must be for representing the GA participant in one of the following:

- An appeal of any claim for SSI benefits before an Administrative Law Judge of the SSA
- For a subsequent adjudication or appeal that is decided in favor of the participant

The payment is limited to the greater of the following amounts:

- Two times the maximum SSI monthly benefit for an SSI recipient
- Fifty percent of the actual amount retained by FAA

In either of the previous situations, the payment is not greater than the actual amount retained by FAA.

The attorney or advocate must submit a claim of representation to OARC within thirty days of the date of the appeal decision. The statement must include a statement of the fees or hours being charged to the participant. Proof of representation requires all the following:

- A statement of fees or hours charged.
- A copy of the client attorney agreement signed and dated by both the attorney and the participant. A copy of the Appointment of Representative (SSA-1696) issued by SSA is also acceptable.
- A copy of one of the following documents:
 - The appeal decision
 - The Important Information (SSA-8165) form issued by SSA when it indicates approval of a fee agreement by an Administrative Law Judge

The Authorization to Charge and Receive a Fee (HA-L530) form issued by SSA

Any other document from SSA that verifies that the attorney is authorized by SSA to represent the participant

OARC makes payment to the attorney or advocate within thirty days after receipt of the claim.