

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND TRAINING

RULE 32

COUNSEL FEES

In appeals from a director's determination to an appeals body other than a court of law, if a claimant retains an attorney-at-law to represent him or her, the attorney shall be entitled to a counsel fee of fifteen (15%) percent of amount of the benefits at issue before the appeals body but not less than fifty (\$50.00) dollars, which the director shall pay out of the employment security administrative funds; provided, however, the attorney-at-law must submit his or her request for a counsel fee to the director not later than two (2) years from a final adjudication of the case by the appeals body. Any requests for counsel fees after the two (2) year period will not be allowed by the director.

[Reference to Employment Security Act: Section 28-44-57]