

The fund exists because of good lawyers, not bad ones.

Most law clients in New York State will never need the help of the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection. ■ That's because the overwhelming majority of lawyers observe the highest standards of honesty and integrity in handling client money. But there will always be a few who fail their obligations. That's why the lawyers of New York finance a special fund to reimburse losses caused by dishonest conduct in the practice of law. ■ Individual clients are protected up to \$100,000, and estates and trusts with multiple beneficiaries, up to \$200,000. Processing claims is prompt and cost-free. ■ The lawyers in New York State have worked hard to earn your trust. And they're working just as hard to keep it.



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YOUR HONOR.

We all know that a lawyer entrusted with client funds has important fiduciary responsibilities. We know, too, that the misuse of those funds is an exception, not the rule. ■ But when it happens, it's an embarrassment to the legal profession. That's why lawyers nationwide finance client protection funds. Not to write off debts of honor, but to reimburse them. ■ The Lawyers' Fund in New York serves better than most. Since 1982, it has restored more than \$17 million to eligible law clients. Those awards come from the Fund's share of the biennial registration fee, not tax dollars. And nearly every eligible client receives 100 percent reimbursement. ■ That's something to be proud of. Because it's not just our clients we're protecting. It's our honor.



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Only our name has been changed to protect the innocent.

There's been a change at the Clients' Security Fund. It's in our name. We're now the New York Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection. ■ What hasn't changed is our mission to protect law clients from the misuse of their money in the practice of law. While rare, theft by a lawyer erodes public trust in a profession that's proud of its good name and its high standards. ■ Our fund—financed by lawyers—reimburses law clients who have suffered these losses, promptly and without cost. It's another way for lawyers to say that honesty in the practice of law is just as important to them as it is to their clients. ■ Because protecting the innocent is more than just a privilege. It's our responsibility.



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