

**CLIENT SECURITY FUND**  
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**Client Security Fund Application Checklist**

- Read the brochure entitled “Can the Client Security Fund Help You?”
- Read the Information Sheet.
- Read the Client Security Fund rules.
- If you believe you qualify for reimbursement, fill out the application form.
- As requested in item #4(b) on the application, describe in chronological order on a separate piece of paper, the attorney’s conduct that led to the loss. Be as detailed as possible and specify amounts and dates.
- Sign and date the application form and include the amount of loss.
- Attach copies of any documentation you may have to support your loss such as: copies of canceled checks, copies of letters or other papers showing that the attorney received the money or property, or any other relevant documentary evidence.
- Send the completed application and attachments to the State Bar Client Security Fund, 845 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017-2515.
- If you have not already done so, request and file a discipline complaint form. (To request a complaint form call 1-800-843-9053)
- The Client Security Fund will send you a letter informing you that your application has been received.
- Please remember to inform us of any changes in your address or telephone number.

**Important**

**The authority of the State Bar is limited by law. It cannot act as your lawyer. The State Bar can discipline or recommend that an attorney be disciplined. The Client Security Fund can only advise you about the filing and processing of your application for reimbursement. The Client Security Fund cannot give you legal advice or provide other legal services. It cannot advise you what your rights are in a given situation or tell you what you should do. Since the law does not allow the State Bar to give you legal advice, you may want to consult a new lawyer. If you do not know a lawyer who can help, call a Lawyer Referral Service in your area; the services are listed in the Yellow Pages of your telephone directory.**