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UPDATES TO ADR CENTER'S
ONLINE SETTLEMENT TOOL

APPLICANT VIEW



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The new update to the online settlement tool allows parties to negotiate an amount for interest or the date interest will begin to accrue.

You are about to make a settlement offer on all remaining, active claims within this case. Please note that according to 65-3.9 (b), the insurer shall not suggest or require, as a condition to settlement of a claim, that the interest due be waived. To make a settlement offer on a specific claim within the case, please contact AAA.

Amount in Dispute: **\$3,031.00**

Remaining disputed balance: \$3,031.00

Name:

Contact:

YOUR SETTLEMENT OFFER

1 - Principal Amount:

2 - Interest:

3 - Filing Fee:

4 - Attorney Fee:

TOTAL AMOUNT **\$ 0.00**

Comments

Cancel

The interest field will now have two options, an "Amount" or the "Interest Accrual Date"

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Once Interest Accrual Date is selected, a field will generate allowing the user to either type the date or select one via the calendar.

1 - Principal Amount:

2 - Interest: 

Respondent shall compute and pay to Applicant the amount of interest at a rate of 2% per month, simple interest using a 30 day month and ending with the date of payment subject to the provisions of 11 NYCRR 65-3.9

3 - Filing Fee:

4 - Attorney Fee:

This language will also appear whenever a user selects the Interest Accrual Date option.

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Insurance carriers will have the option to select the accrual date in their initial offer. The applicant can then decide to negotiate interest.

Carrier's Offer	By: Test User (555-123-4567)	Your Counteroffer
1 - Principal Amount:	\$ 4000.00	<input type="text"/>
2 - Interest Accrual date:	09/01/2016	Select 
3 - Filing Fee:	\$ 40.00	<input type="text"/>
4 - Attorney Fee:	\$ 800.00	<input type="text"/>
5 - Total Amount:	\$ 4840.00	\$ 0.00
Carrier Comment:		

The interest can be changed to an amount by the applicant



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The screen below shows a carrier presenting a counter offer. The carrier can counter with a dollar amount only if the applicant previously offered an amount.

Capture Settlement Offer

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Amount in Dispute: **\$7,320.04**

Remaining disputed balance: **\$7,320.04**

Applicant's Offer	By: Applicant Attorney (555-555-5555)	Your Counteroffer
1 - Principal Amount:	\$ 5000.00	<input type="text" value="\$4,000.00"/>
2 - Interest:	\$ 750.00	<input type="text" value="Select"/>
3 - Filing Fee:	\$ 40.00	<input type="text" value="Amount"/>
4 - Attorney Fee:	\$ 1360.00	<input type="text" value="Interest Accrual Date"/>
5 - Total Amount:	\$ 7150.00	\$ 4,000.00
Comment:		

The respondent can always counter with an interest accrual date

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Once "Accrual Date" is chosen, the applicant can select a new date by typing the date into the text box or selecting a date through the calendar.

Applicant's Offer	By: Test User (555-123-6547)	Your Counteroffer
1 - Principal Amount:	\$ 200.00	<input type="text"/>
2 - Interest Accrual date:	09/27/2016	<input type="text"/> 
3 - Filing Fee:	\$ 40.00	<input type="text"/>
4 - Attorney Fee:	\$ 80.00	<input type="text"/>
5 - Total Amount:	\$ 320.00	\$ 0.00
Applicant Comment:		

The interest can be changed to an amount by the applicant

SUMMARY

- The Applicant can offer or counter either a dollar amount (including \$0) for interest or select generic language which states that interest accrues until payment is issued.
- The Respondent can always counter offer full interest until payment, even if applicant offered a dollar amount for interest.
- The Respondent can counter dollar amount ONLY if the Applicant's offer has a set amount.
- Whenever the “interest accrues until payment” option is selected, the user will need to enter the date from which they expect interest to begin accruing.





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