In May of 2008, the form Beth Din of America Binding Arbitration Agreement (commonly referred to as the RCA or BDA Prenup) was updated to make clear that the husband’s assumption of obligation to pay $150 per day in support will only be payable from the time that it is explicitly requested in writing by the wife. The following is sample language that may be used by the wife to notify the husband of her intent to collect the support:

“As you know, prior to our marriage we entered into an agreement, dated __________, which contained provisions that would govern disputes that arise between us after our marriage. This letter shall constitute notice to you of my intent to collect amounts due under Section VII of that agreement.”

The agreement requires that the wife’s written notification include the wife’s notarized signature. It is advisable to send the notice by certified mail so that the wife may later prove that the notice was sent.

Please call the Beth Din of America at (212) 807-9042 with any questions regarding the Binding Arbitration Agreement.