

HELPFUL COMMERCIAL LEASING,
ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION TIPS

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Two Fees?

Can a landlord, in its offer to lease charge a tenant both an administration fee (usually 5-15% of operating costs) and a management fee (typically 2-5% of rental revenues)?

If both parties agree in writing to it, then the answer is yes. Nevertheless, a tenant should be very concerned about this form of double charging. A tenant should seek to eliminate either fee, or at least exclude "administration fees" from the definition of operating costs.