Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc. ®

We provide free legal aid to people with civil legal problems in western New York.

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*** IMPORTANT COVID-19 NOTICE:

In the interest of helping to limit the impact and spread of COVID-19, the physical LawNY offices located in Bath, Elmira, Geneva, Ithaca, Jamestown, Lakeville, Olean and Rochester are currently closed to walk-in clients. However, our programs and services are OPEN. Current clients, individuals in need of legal services, and community agencies can continue to contact our offices. We are also meeting with current clients and potential clients in person by APPOINTMENT ONLY, where we adhere to strict safety guidelines.

You can find the contact information for each LawNY office by clicking here.

We know that the uncertainty at this time will add additional strain to our client community who risk loss of income, inaccessible resources and health insecurity. We continue to do our work in the interest of and the wellbeing of those most in need. Our thoughts are with you as we all navigate this challenging time.

Services:
Public benefits

- Unemployment insurance benefits
- Social Security Disability and SSI
- Public assistance
- Food stamps (SNAP)
- Fuel assistance (HEAP)

Housing (tenants only)

- Eviction
- Public and subsidized housing (Section 8)
- Substandard conditions
- Mobile home issues
- Discrimination
- Utility shut-offs

Homeownership

- Mortgage foreclosure
- Tax foreclosure
- Land contracts
- Mobile home issues

Family (for victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault)

- Orders of Protection
- Custody/visitation
- Support

Health Care

- Medicaid
- Medicare
- Denials of health care services
- Coordination of benefits
- Access to care for uninsured persons
- Access to health insurance programs
- Reduction of medical debt
- Managed long-term care
Employment Rights and Rights of Persons with Criminal Records

- Employment discrimination
- Employment clearance for background checks by public agencies
- Certificates of Relief from Civil Disabilities/Certificates of Good Conduct
- Public benefits denials based on criminal record ("fleeing felon" and UIB misconduct)
- Employment Discrimination based on criminal record (re-entry issues)

Consumer

- Protection of exempt income and resources from garnishment
- Bankruptcy (where there is a threat of loss of home or garnishment of income)

Uncontested divorce

- Pro se divorce clinic

Will, health care proxy, and power of attorney

- Referral to volunteer attorneys

We have special projects that provide civil legal services for:

- Victims of domestic violence
- Victims of sexual assault
- Veterans and their family/household members
- Persons living with HIV/AIDS
- People who are 60 years of age or older and are victims of abuse, neglect or financial exploitation

Our Services Change - Call Our Office - 607-776-4126

The only way to be sure about whether we can help you is to call our office. Because our funding is limited, we are always seeking new grants to fund our services to low-income people. Sometimes, we get new grants that allow us to offer new services. Sometimes, grants end that once paid for us to do special kinds of legal work.

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