

Legal Resources: General



Jefferson Center
for mental health

NAMI Legal Center

703-524-7600

<http://www.nami.org/legal>

- Dedicated to serving those with mental illness, NAMI does not provide individual representation, but can refer you for specific legal services.
- Please email legal@nami.org or call the NAMI Help Line at 1.800.950.6264 to request representation.

NAMI Colorado Law Line

888-566-6264 (toll-free), 303-321-3104 (local); or email at

helpline@namicolorado.org

- Volunteer licensed Colorado attorneys provide a one-time free legal consultation to persons seeking information and advice on issues related to mental health law & issues directly affecting persons who have mental illness, their families, or loved ones.
- Service provided to persons seeking limited legal information and advice in six targeted areas:
 - Involuntary Civil Commitment
 - Criminal Cases
 - Special Education
 - Employment
 - Trusts, Guardianships, Special Needs Planning, Medicaid
 - Social Security
 - Family Law (in limited counties)
 - Immigration
- NAMI Colorado staff member will screen requests, and if above criteria are met, will provide you with the name and phone number of the volunteer attorney with special knowledge in one of the above five targeted areas. *It is then your responsibility to contact that volunteer attorney by phone.* Volunteer attorneys have agreed to return calls and provide phone consultation within a 48-hour period (excluding weekends and holidays).

Jefferson County Courthouse – Self-Help Desk

100 Jefferson County Pkwy, Golden, CO 80401; 720-772-2501

or email at 01selfhelp@judicial.state.co.us

- Can help with general questions, court forms, resource referral, policies and procedures, divorce, legal separation, custody, list of discounted attorneys and free legal clinics.
- Located in room 1050, to the right after passing through security.
- Hours: 8 am-4:00 pm Mon-Fri (times may vary)

Legal Self-Help Clinic

303-235-5275

<https://jeffcolibrary.bibliocommons.com/events/59e91c333f0f9e250022c0c9>

Belmar Library: 555 S. Allison Parkway, Lakewood, CO 80226

Evergreen Library: 5000 Co Rd 73, Evergreen CO 80439

Some legal resources listed may have income or other specific guidelines. Please call the phone numbers listed to check for eligibility.

Often, you have to leave a message prior to speaking to a clinician. These clinicians are usually not barred attorneys and should not replace nor supersede a lawyer's advice. Due to the volume of calls received, your call may not be returned promptly for an emergency matter. Please contact an attorney in the event of an emergency. **Completing a phone interview is not an agreement of representation.**

If you notice any changes or inconsistencies with our resources, please inform Navigation to help us stay current.



- Volunteer lawyers will be available via video link to answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedures for all areas of civil litigation, including family law.
 - Belmar: 2:00 pm-3:30 pm first Thursday of the month
 - First come, first served basis
 - American Sign Language interpreters upon request, contact library at least on week in advance at 303-235-5275 or email pennie.burris@jeffcolibrary.org regarding interpreter.
 - Evergreen Library: 3:30pm-5pm first Thursday of the month
 - Pre-registration for individual 15 minute appointments are available in person or by calling 303-235-5275 the day of the clinic.

Colorado Legal Services

303-837-1321

1905 Sherman St., Suite 400, Denver, CO 80203

www.coloradolegalservices.org

- This organization provides help for low-income individuals wanting information such as self-help legal information; where to find legal help; who qualifies for free or low-cost legal help; and information about the courts, clinics, and other available help.
- Civil legal matters only – *no criminal offenses or traffic issues*. Specialties include: personal debt, bankruptcy, benefits advocacy, eviction and landlord disputes, health issues, elder and family law.
- You will need to leave a message, and a clinician will return your call to conduct a phone assessment. You can also apply for assistance online and have a clinician contact you. If you are unable to accept phone calls, you may be asked to come into the office between 8:30 and 11am on a Monday, Wednesday, or Friday.

Jefferson County Mediation Services

303-271-5060

<http://jeffco.us/mediationservices/>

- Monday through Friday, hours vary. Please call to request mediation.
- Provides professional dispute resolution assistance, at no cost, for qualifying cases in Jefferson County.
- Can help with almost any conflict: Complaints and disputes between neighbors, Landlord-Tenant Issues, Consumer Complaints, Contract Issues, and Disputes with Government Agencies.

Disability Law Colorado (Formerly The Legal Center for People with Disabilities and Older People)

303-722-0300, or 1-800-288-1376

455 Sherman St., Suite 130, Denver, CO 80203

<https://disabilitylawco.org>

- Provides free or low cost legal services to people with disabilities whose civil rights have been violated. Cases are limited to such areas as housing discrimination, service animals, employment discrimination, abuse/neglect, special education, and others. Not a resource for general legal assistance for persons with disabilities.
- Call one of the numbers listed to request services or submit your case through the web site and receive a response in 3-5 business days.

Colorado State Public Defender's Office

303-764-1400



1300 Broadway Suite 400, Denver, CO 80203

<http://pdweb.coloradodefenders.us/>

- This office provides representation to low income individuals with criminal or juvenile delinquency charges. Application forms are available online or by calling the office.

Find a Lawyer

www.cobar.org/directory

- This online attorney directory provides contact information for lawyers in specific city/practice areas.

Metropolitan Lawyer Referral Service

303-831-8000

www.lawyerlegion.com

- MLRS offers the public referrals in Adams, Arapahoe, City of Aurora, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas/Elbert, Gilpin, Jefferson, and Larimer counties

El Paso County Bar Association LRS

719-636-1532

www.elpasocountybar.org

- Offers the public referrals in El Paso and Teller counties.

Martindale-Hubbell Law Directories

www.martindale.com

- These directories can be found in law libraries or public libraries. The resource lists attorneys in Colorado, along with their specialties.

Lawline 9 — 9 News

303-698-0999

www.9news.com

- Every Wednesday, 4:00 - 5:30p.m

Colorado Bar Association

303-860-1115

1900 Grant St., 9th Floor, Denver CO 80203

<http://www.cobar.org/>

- CBA can help the public find a lawyer, clinics and other resource centers available to meet a variety of legal needs. Provides information on what to do for filing complaints alleging misconduct by a Judge, referrals for other legal assistance programs, and information regarding the family violence program.

Metro Volunteer Lawyers

303-837-1313

www.metrovolunteerlawyers.org/

- Applicants must first call Colorado Legal Services for intake — 303-837-1313. Case *may* then be referred to MVL. If a client is referred to MVL, someone will then contact them.
- MVL recruits and coordinates volunteer lawyers to perform free and low-cost legal services for people with no or very low income who live and work in Adams, Broomfield, Arapahoe, Denver, Elbert, Douglas, Gilpin & Jefferson counties.

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Student Law Office

303-871-6140



2255 East Evans Avenue, Denver, CO 80208

www.law.du.edu/clinics/

- Basic misdemeanors and city ordinance issues only in the Criminal Defense Clinic
- Housing, employment, and domestic violence issues in the Civil Litigation Clinic.
- No DUI/DWI, traffic, felony, social security, disability, divorce/child custody, elder law or immigration cases.
- Cannot provide legal advice and do not offer consultations or answer legal questions
- Hours: 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., Monday–Friday (*intakes by phone only, no drop-ins*)

Free Wills, Medical Powers of Attorney, & Living Wills

303-837-1313

2255 East Evans Avenue, Denver, CO 80208

- Offered through University of Denver Sturm College of Law.
- Available for people who qualify through Legal Aid/Colorado Legal Services.
- Call the number listed above to add your name to the list for the next available spot.
- Law students begin working with clients in September and February.
- Law students talk with clients and draft the appropriate documents. Each student is carefully supervised by a volunteer lawyer and all documents are checked by their law professor.
- There is no charge to anyone for this service.

Colorado Attorney General Consumer Protection Hotline

1-800-222-4444

www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov ; www.stopfraudcolorado.gov

- Can call this number to file a consumer complaint against businesses engaging in fraud or deceptive practices

Colorado Lawyers for Colorado Veterans

<http://www.cobar.org/index.cfm/ID/55/subID/27279/DPPL/>

- Provide veterans with assistance related to challenges in obtaining medical care, disability benefits, reemployment rights, consumer, housing, criminal and family law matters, and in obtaining legal counsel
 - Legal Clinic
 - Bill Daniels Veteran Service Center 1247 Santa Fe Dr. Denver, CO 80204
 - 2nd Tuesday of each Month, Noon – 2 p.m.
 - Pro Bono or “Modest Mean” Legal Services
 - Submit a request with brief details to CLCV@cobar.org.

