

# Legal Resources: Custody & Divorce

**Navigation Services** 



## Need more information? Contact our Navigation Services Team at 303-432-5130 or navigation@jcmh.org

## Jefferson County

## Jefferson County Domestic Clerk

720-772-2510

https://www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/County/Custom.cfm?County\_ID=2&Page\_ID=352

• Can answer questions about filing a new case and provide resources

#### **Help Desk**

Contact by phone or email: 720-772-2501 or <u>01selfhelp@judicial.state.co.us</u> 100 Jefferson County Pkwy, Golden, CO 80401 Room 1050

- Assistance with general questions, court forms, resource referral, policies and procedures, list of discounted attorneys and legal clinics as well as information about divorce/legal separation/custody.
- Monday Friday, 8:00am 4pm

## Family Law Clinic

## 720-772-2501

100 Jefferson County Pkwy, Golden, CO 80401

- This clinic is informational ONLY. It covers the process of divorce, legal separation, dissolution of civil union, and Allocation of Parental Responsibilities (or APR—formerly known as custody)
  - Second Wednesday of each month, 12:00pm 1:30pm
  - No reservations required, arrive early!
  - Located in Jury Assembly Office, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Suite 1090
  - Topics include: initial filings, temporary orders, separation agreements, parenting plans, maintenance/child support, custody, disclosure, sworn financial statements, and status conferences
  - Forms should be obtained online on website prior to the clinic, <u>www.courts.state.co.us</u>

## Family Law – Ask an Attorney Clinic

720-772-2501

100 Jefferson County Pkwy, Golden, CO 80401

- This clinic is for anyone who wants to ask an attorney questions regarding family law cases. This includes divorce, Allocation of Parental Responsibilities (or APR—formerly known as custody), contempt filings, modification of prior orders, etc. (both Pre and Post Decree cases)
  - Third Tuesday of each month, 9:00am 11:00am (excluding holidays)
  - No reservation required, all forms should be obtained online prior to arrival, arrive early!
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Located in suite 2040, on the 2nd floor to the right of the elevators
  - These appointments are given on a first come, first served basis. This clinic has one attorney that helps attendees one at a time. Attendees will sign up when they arrive and will have up to 15 minutes to speak with the attorney individually. Come prepared!

Most legal clinics require participants to bring appropriate forms, which can be found at <u>www.courts.state.co.us</u> (Click "Forms, then "Domestic/Family")

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\*Some clinics are informational only and do not provide legal advice, help completing forms, or legal representation.

Please contact Navigation for additional Domestic Violence legal resources as needed.

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

# jcmh.org | 303-425-0300

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#### Legal Self-Help Clinic

303-235-5275

- 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.
  - The first Thursday of every month
  - Attendees are helped on a first come, first served basis, all forms should be obtained online prior to arrival, come prepared
  - American Sign Language interpreters upon request, contact library at least one week in advance at 303-235-5275 or Email: <u>marcy.james@jeffcolibrary.org</u>

<u>Two Locations:</u> Belmar Library 555 S Allison Parkway, Lakewood, CO 80226 From 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Evergreen Library 5000 Co Rd 73, Evergreen, CO 80439 From 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **Child Support Services**

303-271-4300

https://www.jeffco.us/2643/Child-Support-Services

3500 Illinois St., Ste. 1300, Golden, CO 80401

- Provides services for Jefferson County residents who have custody of their children but are not receiving child support to which they are entitled.
  - Services include: locate non-custodial parents, establish paternity, establish child and medical support orders, modify support orders, and enforce support orders
  - Hours: Monday Friday, 7:30am 5:30pm

#### Other Counties (serving all areas)

#### Colorado Judicial Branch – Self Help/Forms

https://www.courts.state.co.us/Self\_Help/divorce/

- Provides answers to frequently asked questions
- Houses all forms required to start and complete the process
- Can help you find your local self help center in the state of Colorado

## Family Law Legal Clinic

303-860-1115

https://www.denbar.org/Public/Legal-Clinics

Office of Economic Development: 1200 Federal Blvd., Room 1018, Denver, CO

- Free information clinic provides an overview of the divorce process (with or without children) and related forms.
   Volunteer attorneys provide information on filing for divorce without the assistance of an attorney, and will cover divorce procedures and forms, child custody, child support, maintenance and property division.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month, 5:30pm 7:00pm

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- o Participants should bring forms to the clinics, available at www.courts.state.co.us
- This clinic is informational ONLY and questions are welcomed, but answers are generally confined to options which the individual could consider
- o These clinics do not provide legal advice or representation not do they directly assist in completing court forms

#### Denver Family Law – Ask a Lawyer Clinic

720-865-8440

#### https://www.denbar.org/Public/Legal-Clinics

Denver City & County Building: 1437 Bannock St., Room 281, Denver, CO

- The clinic will focus on general divorce and child custody questions. Volunteer lawyers can answer questions about dissolution of marriage (divorce) and parental responsibility matters (child custody).
  - $\circ$  1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month, 10:00AM 3:00PM
  - o By appointment only and held virtually via Webex
  - o Participants should bring any needed forms to the clinics, available at www.courts.state.co.us
  - This clinic is intended for individuals who are not represented by an attorney and is limited to a 15 to 30 minute consultation
  - o To sign up for an appointment, email DenverDistrictSelfHelp@judicial.state.co.us or call 303-606-2442

#### **Colorado Legal Services**

303-837-1313 1905 Sherman St., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Denver, CO 80203 https://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 <u>no criminal offenses or traffic issues</u>. Specialties include: custody and protection orders and divorce.
  - 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 for walk-ins.

#### Metro Volunteer Lawyers – Family Law Court Program

303-837-1313

https://www.denbar.org/mvl

- Serves individual who live and work in Adams, Broomfield, Arapahoe, Denver, Elbert, Douglas, and Jefferson Counties and addresses custody and parenting issues, divorce, and allocation of parental responsibilities
  - In order to be considered for FLCP, you must first apply to Colorado Legal Services through its regular intake process. Colorado Legal Services will determine if the case is appropriate for FLCP, and if so, refer the case to the program. <u>https://www.coloradolegalservices.org/</u>

#### State of Colorado Child Support Enforcement

303-866-4300

#### https://childsupport.state.co.us/

• Program is to assure that all children receive financial and medical support from each parent. This is accomplished by locating each parent, establishing paternity and support obligations, and enforcing these obligations.

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## Legal Resources for Survivors of Domestic Violence

#### Family Tree Legal Clinic

303-271-6100 https://www.thefamilytree.org/legal-advocacy-program Email: legaladvocates@thefamilytree.org

Address: PorchLight Family Justice Center, 11100 W 8<sup>th</sup> Ave, STE 200, Lakewood, CO 80215

- The Family Tree Legal Advocacy Program offers a free legal clinic for survivors of domestic violence, stalking and sexual assault where you can get legal information and guidance from an attorney regarding most family law issues.
- Services include:
  - Advice, information, and assistance with family law cases including, but not limited to, dissolution of marriage, legal separation, common law marriage, allocation of parental responsibility, and protection orders
  - Necessary paperwork is available for participants
  - o Crisis intervention, advocacy, and support from a Family Tree legal advocate
  - o Information and referrals to legal, community, and emergency resources
- Clinics are available twice a month in English and once a month in Spanish. Call to register and get specific information about dates, times, and locations of clinics.
- IMPORTANT: In order to attend this clinic, you must reserve a seat. Call Family Tree's Legal Advocacy program to reserve a seat, 303-271-6100

#### **Rose Andom Center**

720-337-4400 http://roseandomcenter.org/ Email: info@roseandomcenter.org 1330 Fox Street, Denver, CO 80204 Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm

- Services available at the Rose Andom Center can provide assistance in the immediate aftermath of an abusive incident, and/or as an ongoing resource to address longer-term needs and issues.
- The following services are available to all survivors of domestic violence who are in need of information and help in finding resources and safety for themselves and their children: Advocacy, Children's Services, Civil Legal, Criminal Legal, Medical, Self-Sufficiency, and Counseling
- Staff can assist with filing protection orders and answering legal questions regarding divorce and custody, landlord/tenant questions, and other civil legal concerns.

#### Protection (Restraining) Order Clinics - Project Safeguard

## 303-219-7049

https://psghelps.org/

- Adams County-1100 Judicial Center Dr., Room 151, Brighton M, T, W, F- 9 am and 1 pm Call 303-637-7761
- Arapahoe County-7325 S. Potomac St, Courthouse 1, Centennial Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays closed Call 303-799-3977, will take walk ins but recommend calling to schedule an appointment
- Broomfield County-17 Des Combes Dr., Broomfield

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Monday-Thursday, 9 am-2:30 pm, Friday by appointment only Call 720-887-2179

- Denver County-1437 Bannock St., Courtroom 170, Denver Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-9:00 am Call 720-865-9159
- Jefferson County-Jefferson County Courthouse, 100 Jefferson County Parkway, Room 1070, Golden Family Tree, Temporary Protection Order Clinic Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm (closed 12 pm-1 pm) Call 303-271-6559, offer Spanish speaking services

## **Internet Sites**

<u>https://www.denbar.org/Public/Legal-Clinics</u> – List of local legal clinics on a number of civil matters throughout the Denver-Metro area.

<u>https://www.coloradolegalservices.org/</u> - Self-help legal information for civil legal matters, where to find no or low-cost legal help, court information and other referral information!

https://www.cobar.org/For-the-Public - Colorado Bar Association legal resources for the public