

### **Survivors Organizing for Liberation (Formerly Colorado Anti-Violence Program)**

303-839-5204

P.O. Box 181085, Denver, CO 80218

24-Hour Crisis Line - 303-852-5094 (OR) 888-557-4441 (toll-free)

Advocacy Program - 303-839-5204 x 2

- Offers advocacy-based counseling, support groups, legal advocacy and accompaniment to court, resource and referral to LGBT individuals who have experienced violence, including domestic violence and/or hate crimes.
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### **Anti-Defamation League** - (303) 830-7177 - <http://denver.adl.org/>

1120 Lincoln Street, Ste. 1301, Denver, CO 80203

- Fights anti-Semitism and other forms of bigotry through programs and services that counteract hatred and prejudice.
- No legal representation but maintains a list of lawyers who have offered to provide advice or representation on a private basis fee.
- Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm

### **Colorado Bar Association Designated Beneficiary Agreement Brochure –**

[http://www.cobar.org/Portals/COBAR/Repository/publicDocs/Colorado%27s%20designated%20beneficiary%20act\\_web.pdf?ver=2012-07-27-130730-947](http://www.cobar.org/Portals/COBAR/Repository/publicDocs/Colorado%27s%20designated%20beneficiary%20act_web.pdf?ver=2012-07-27-130730-947)

- Designated Beneficiary Agreements allows two unmarried people to affirm in writing that they want each other to have legal rights, benefits, and protections to make certain decisions about each other's health care and estate administration as well as treatment in medical emergencies, during incapacity, and at death.
- Designated Beneficiary agreements will be superseded by other legal documents (e.g. will, trust, etc.).
- Must be properly recorded at the County Clerk and Recorder's office.

### **Colorado GLBT Bar Association – 303-282-6534**

<http://coloradoglbtabar.org/>

- Voluntary professional association of glbt attorneys, judges, paralegals and law students who provide an LGBT presence in the Colorado legal community
- Website has a "find an attorney" tool for finding a lawyer if needed.

### **LGBT Legal Helpline (at The Center) - 303-282-6524**

<http://glbtcolorado.org/legaladvocacy/direct-referral-program/>

1301 E. Colfax, Denver, CO 80218



- **If you have been discriminated against in Colorado because of your sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, or HIV status, contact The Center’s Legal Helpline at 303-837-1321 or [legal@gbtcolorado.org](mailto:legal@gbtcolorado.org).**
- Hours: Monday-Friday, 10am-8pm

**Colorado’s Rights Five (at The Center) - <http://www.gbtcolorado.org/legaladvocacy/colorados-rights-5/>**

- The Rights 5 campaign educates Coloradans on those five state laws that protect and enrich the lives of LGBT people. The laws are:
  1. Employment Nondiscrimination
  2. Housing and Public Accommodations
  3. Hate Crimes
  4. Second-Parent Adoptions
  5. Designated Beneficiaries
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**Lambda Legal - <http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/colorado>, 312-663-4413 (Midwest office), 1-866-542-8336 (Legal help desk)**

- Oldest and largest national legal organization whose mission is to achieve full recognition of the civil rights of lgbt people and those with HIV through impact litigation, education, and public policy work.
- Legal Help Desk provides information and resources regarding discrimination related to sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, and HIV status
- Lambda Legal will only represent individuals in some cases. One’s that have the greatest impact in protecting and advancing the rights of LGBT people and those with HIV.

**National Center for Lesbian Rights, <http://www.nclrights.org/>, 1-800-528-6257 <legal helpline>**

- The NCLR has been advancing the civil and human rights of LGBT people and their families through litigation, legislation, policy, and public education
- Online legal resources and help for specific LGBT related issues.
- Submit legal question and NCLR representative will get in contact with you

**American Civil Liberties Union - 303-777-5482 - [www.aclu-co.org](http://www.aclu-co.org) - [www.aclu.org/lgbt](http://www.aclu.org/lgbt)**

- The state’s oldest and largest civil rights organization, the ACLCU provides legal representation to protect and defend civil liberties, as well as legal advocacy outside the courtroom.
- To ask the ACLU for legal assistance, you must write a letter or send an e-mail or fax. **All requests must be made in writing and must include information specified on ACLU website: <http://aclu-co.org/need-legal-help/>**



- The ACLU of Colorado does not review requests for legal assistance in person or over the telephone. Send the request to:

Intake Department  
 ACLU of Colorado  
 303 E. 17th Ave., Suite 350  
 Denver, CO 80203  
 Attn: Legal Intake  
**(OR)** e-mail to [intake@aclu-co.org](mailto:intake@aclu-co.org)  
**(OR)** fax to 303-777-1773

**Boulder Human Relations Commission - 303-441-3141**

<https://bouldercolorado.gov/boards-commissions/human-relations-commission>

2160 Spruce Street, Boulder, CO 80302

- Enforces the Boulder Human Rights Ordinance (which protects individuals in employment, housing, and public accommodations on the bases of gender variance and sexual orientation) by serving as a quasi-judicial hearing board for human rights ordinance cases.

**Colorado Civil Rights Division – 303-894-7855 (OR) 1-800-886-7675 (toll-free) -**

[www.dora.state.co.us/civil-rights](http://www.dora.state.co.us/civil-rights)

1560 Broadway, Suite 1050, Denver, CO 80202-5143

- The Division works to eliminate discrimination in employment, housing and places of public accommodation under Colorado Civil Rights Laws.
- Investigates alleged discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation (including gender identity) and provides dispute mediation.
- *No legal representation is required to file a complaint or provided after a complaint is filed.*
- Please contact the office or visit the website for filing deadlines and detailed information packets.
- **Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm**
- *Services also offered in Spanish*

**Denver Anti-Discrimination Office - 720-913-8458 - 720-913-8475 TTY;**

<http://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/human-rights-and-community-partnerships/our-offices/anti-discrimination.html>

- 201 W. Colfax, Dept 1102, Denver, CO 80202 – **Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm**
- Investigates complaints regarding violations of the Denver Anti-Discrimination Ordinance.
- Offers assistance preparing a formal charge of discrimination in the areas of employment, housing and commercial space, public accommodations, educational institutions, and health and welfare services.
- *The act of discrimination must have taken place within the boundaries of the City and County of Denver.*



**Service Members Legal Defense Network** - 1-800-538-7418 x1 - [www.sldn.org](http://www.sldn.org)

PO Box 65301, Washington, DC 20035-5301

- Offers free legal counseling to service members with legal issues stemming from discrimination based on one's perceived or actual sexual orientation or gender presentation, the regulations governing military service by HIV+ people, the regulations addressing military service by transgender persons, and offers assistance to veterans seeking to upgrade or correct their discharge paperwork.
- To schedule a phone consultation with an attorney, call 1-800-538-7418 x1 or 202 -328 -3244 x1 (OR) email [legal@outserve-sldn.org](mailto:legal@outserve-sldn.org) (OR) complete the request form online at: <http://www.sldn.org/page/s/legalhelp>

Contact the Colorado/Wyoming Chapter of SLDN at [colorado@outserve.org](mailto:colorado@outserve.org)

