

Wisconsin State Bar Lawyer Referral Service

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If you need help with a legal issue, the State Bar of Wisconsin's Lawyer Referral Service (LRS) is a good place to start. You can search for an attorney through their website, or you can speak to a legal assistant by calling (800) 362-9082.

They're there to help you figure out if you need a lawyer, and how to proceed if you do. When you call the service, you will not get legal advice. However, you will talk to a legal assistant who is experienced in analyzing potential legal problems – and in helping you locate the best source of help.

After speaking with an LRS legal assistant, you may decide that you need to hire an attorney. If so, they can refer you to an attorney in your area who has indicated an interest in your type of legal situation. Attorneys referred through LRS agree to charge no more than \$20 for the first 30 minutes of the consultation.

In some cases, you will resolve your legal issue at the first meeting. If your problem requires work beyond the first half-hour, you will be charged the lawyer's regular fees.

Legal Topics Covered

Money, Debt & Consumer Issues

- Bankruptcy
- Banks
- Cars/Vehicles
- Contracts/Warranties
- Credit Cards & Reports
- Debts/Loans
- Home sales, Telemarketing & Spam
- Identity Theft
- Licenses
- Other Money, Debt, & Consumer Issues
- Consumer Protection & Complaints
- Public Utilities
- Scams, Fraud & Unfair Sales Practices
- Taxes

Family Law

- Divorce
- Child Support
- Custody & Placement
- Parental Rights & Paternity
- Safety
- Adoption
- Other Family Issues

Other Family Issues

- Marriage
- Foster Care & Kinship Care

Housing

- Renting
- Owning Your Home
- Eviction
- Foreclosure
- Alternative Housing Options
- Manufactured Homes
- Utilities
- Other Housing Issues

Renting

- Public & Subsidized Housing

Native American Issues & Tribal Law

- Criminal Tribal Court
- Education Issues for Native Americans
- Family Issues & Child Support for Native Americans
- Government & Lands of Native Americans
- Health Care for Native Americans
- Public Benefits for Native Americans
- Rights & Protections for Native Americans
- Native American Crime Victims
- Other Native American & Tribal Law Issues

Public Benefits

- Benefits after a Disaster
- Benefits available to Immigrants
- Benefits available to Native Americans
- Benefits available to Veterans & Servicemembers
- Food and Money Benefits

- Health/Medical Benefits
- Housing Benefits
- Social Security
- Utilities, Energy & Heating Benefits
- Other Public Benefits Issues

School/Education

- Disabilities & Special Education
- Discipline, Expulsion or Suspension
- Discrimination & Rights around Education
- Paying for Education
- Privacy at School
- Other School/Education Issues

Veterans/Military

- Active Duty Claims
- Discharge from Military
- Estate Planning for Military
- Legal Protections for Veterans & Servicemembers
- Public Benefits for Veterans & Servicemembers
- Other Veteran & Military Issues

Work & Employment Law

- Applying & Interviewing for a Job
- Being Injured on the Job
- Questions about Hours, Pay or Conditions
- Retirement & Pensions
- Unemployment Benefits, Compensation & Insurance
- Work as an Immigrant/Farmworker
- Workers' Rights

Disability & Death Planning

- Advance Directives/Powers of Attorney
- Discrimination & Abuse
- Guardianships & Conservatorships
- Healthcare
- Wills & Probate
- Other Disability & Death Planning Issues

Immigration

- Asylum & Refugees
- Detention, Removal, or Deportation

- Survivors of domestic violence, crime, and human trafficking
- Options for Status, Visas, Permits & Papers
- Public Benefits for Immigrants
- Working as an Immigrant
- Other Immigrant Issues

Civil & Human Rights

- Discrimination - public accommodation
- Mental Health Rights
- Mistreatment by Officials
- Name and Gender Marker Changes
- Privacy Rights
- Voting Rights
- LGBTQ Rights
- 1st Amendment
- Other Civil & Human Rights Issues

Crime & Traffic

- After being found guilty
- Being investigated for a crime
- Criminal Records
- Driver's License Recovery
- Due Process Rights
- Juvenile Justice
- Municipal/Traffic Tickets
- Prisoners' Rights
- Reentry After Prison
- Going to Court & Being on Trial
- Victim's Rights
- Other Crime & Traffic Issues

Fees

A referral over the phone is free.

The LRS online service requires a non-refundable payment of \$30.

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Counties Served

Statewide

Language(s) Spoken

English

Types of Service

Referrals (Free)

If you work at this organization and want to update this information

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General Contact Information

Online Only

Phone:

[\(800\) 362-9082](tel:(800)362-9082)

Hours

Sunday Closed

Monday

8:00 - 5:00

Tuesday

8:00 - 5:00

Wednesday

8:00 - 5:00

Thursday

8:00 - 5:00

Friday

8:00 - 5:00

Saturday Closed

Other Hours

The [LRS online service](#) is available 24 hours per day. This online service requires a non-refundable payment of \$30.

How to Get Service

You can reach LRS by phone at (800) 362-9082 or (608) 257-4666 (in Dane County and outside of Wisconsin).

The [LRS online service](#) is available 24 hours per day. You can search for an attorney by geographical location and areas of legal practice. This online service requires a non-refundable payment of \$30.

After you receive your referral, call the attorney's office to schedule an appointment. Be sure to tell the attorney that you were referred by the State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service. This ensures that your initial half-hour consultation fee will be no more than \$20. At the first meeting, ask the lawyer about what fees you will be charged after the first half-hour initial consultation. If you decide not to take further action after the first visit, you are under no obligation to hire the lawyer.

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