

Statewide Legal Resources and Referrals

Resources available to all

Self-Help Center

Utah State Courts

Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Call 888-683-0009 or text 801-742-1898

Email selfhelp@utcourts.gov

www.utcourts.gov/selfhelp/

They will not give you legal advice, but they can email you forms or send hard copies to your address. They can also print a summary of the minute entries and docket for your case.

Utah State Bar Attorney Directory

<https://www.licensedlawyer.org/>

This site allows you to search for legal help by the name of the firm or the attorney, by legal categories, or by different questions that you may have.

Utah Courts

<https://www.utcourts.gov/>

This site has templates, instructions, and resources from the Utah courts.

OCAP (Online Court Assistance Program)

<https://www.utcourts.gov/ocap/>

This program allows parties to draft legal documents for family law, small claims, protective order, landlord/tenant cases, etc.

Statewide Free Legal Clinics

<https://www.utcourts.gov/howto/legalclinics/>

There are many free legal clinics held statewide to address a variety of legal issues. You can search for clinics by location to see what is available near you.

***These resources are free, but have income cutoffs or eligibility requirements**

Utah Free Legal Answers

<https://utah.freelegalanswers.org/>

This resource, offered through the American Bar Association, allows you to ask a Utah-based attorney a civil legal issue question for free if you qualify. The response will come via email. The site explains the process and provides information on how to qualify.

NEXT STEPS:

Timpanogos Legal Center (TLC) Document Clinic & Hotline

Hotline: The TLC hotline is staffed by attorneys. Call **801-649-8895 between 9:00 and 2:00 Monday through Friday**. You may leave a message anytime and your call will be returned. **Be sure to state that it is 'safe' to return your call.**

Online Family Justice Center Clinic: You can talk with an attorney online on Tuesday nights between 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. You must email tlcinfo@timplegal.org or call the hotline to schedule an appointment. Paperwork must be filled out prior to interview.

Document Clinic: The document clinic is by appointment only and you must first be screened to determine whether you are eligible for the clinic. You will need to meet income eligibility guidelines, not have a conflict of interest with Timpanogos Legal Center or the volunteer attorney, and your case must be the type of case appropriate for the Document Clinic. You will need to give us copies of all of the documents relevant to your case before the clinic. Below are examples of documents we draft:

Petition to Modify
Order to Show Cause
Temporary Orders
Alternate Service
Findings of Fact/Decree of Divorce

A TLC staff attorney will supervise your case and find a volunteer law student and/or attorney. You will meet with the volunteers online. There are no passwords and no software to download. We can arrange a location with computer and internet access if needed.

The attorney is performing what we call "Limited Representation" which means the attorney **does not** have an ongoing relationship with you. The attorney will not represent you in court and you should not call the attorney to ask for advice and follow up on the case. You are responsible for following through on your own case. You may contact your TLC staff attorney if you

have any difficulties with issues related to the documents we created for you.

Call the TLC hotline at 801-649-8895 to determine eligibility. You may also send an email to tlcinfo@timplegal.org with your contact information and a brief description of why you are seeking legal assistance.

I was referred by:

Utah Legal Services

<http://www.utahlegalservices.org>

Informational handout on Domestic/Dating Violence, Family Law, Housing, Consumer (debt collection, foreclosure), Public Benefits and Estate Planning. Utah Legal Services can screen you to see if you are eligible for in house help or to be put on the pro bono list to see if an attorney may be willing to take your case.

To see if you are eligible for ULS help call:

1-800-662-4245 between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday.

You can also apply online:

https://ulsoi.legalserver.org/modules/matter/extern_intake.php?pid=4&h=638cee

Utah Crime Victim Legal Clinic

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

Utah Crime Victims Legal Clinic provides free legal representation to victims of crime when their rights are at stake. Some victim's rights include: the right to be free from threats and intimidation; the right to privacy; the right to be present in the courtroom for important hearings; and the right to an explanation of legal proceedings. Child victims also have certain rights including the right to have the proceedings be conducted in the least traumatic way possible and the right to have interviews related to criminal proceedings done in an age-appropriate way. To have your case screened for representation **call 801-746-1204**.

WomensLaw.Org

<https://womenslaw.org/>

This site provides state-specific legal information and resources for survivors of domestic violence. It provides legal information for each state regarding such topics as: divorce, child custody, parental kidnapping, and protective orders. There is also information about gun laws and immigration issues. The site's 'Email Hotline' allows you to ask questions to a victim advocate. Spanish speaking options are available.

Catholic Community Services

<https://ccsutah.org/>

Catholic Community Services assists immigrants seeking assistance with eligibility and legal services for problems concerning visas, political or religious asylum, naturalization, or filing documents. They also provide support for victims of domestic violence and the homeless. To have your case screened for representation **call 801-977-9119**.

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***The providers in the remainder of this column offer reduced fee services.**

TLC does not endorse or recommend any service provider. Always do your homework before hiring an attorney.

Utah State Bar Modest Means Lawyer Referral Program

<https://www.utahbar.org/modest-means-lawyer-referral-program/>

The Modest Means Lawyer Referral program helps Utahns with modest earnings find a lawyer offering discounted rates. Clicking on the link above brings you to the intake form. You will fill out information on the website regarding your legal needs and to see if you qualify for these services.

Utah Dispute Resolution

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

With the help of volunteer mediators, this non-profit organization provides mediation services free or at low cost to people and organizations in the community. No one is denied service because of inability to pay. Some areas of mediation service include divorce, parenting time and plans, landlord and tenant, workplace, and consumer and merchant issues. Bilingual mediators are available in several languages. Mediation is a problem-solving process used to resolve disputes between two or more parties, with the help of an impartial and neutral third party (the mediator). **Call 801-532-4841** for information or visit UDR offices at The Law and Justice Center, 645 South 200 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84111.

Non-Profit Legal Services of Utah

<http://www.nonprofitlegalservices.com/nonprofits/>

Can help individuals with these types of cases for a reduced fee sliding scale based on income: small claims, employment law, landlord/tenant disputes, contract disputes, collections, criminal law, Homeowner's

Association disputes. **Call 385-419-4111. Fill out the online form to make an appointment with an attorney.** Office is located at 623 E. 2100 S. Ste. #B1, in Salt Lake City, 84106.

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