FREE ASSISTANCE IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR ALL TYPES OF CASES.

Some examples are:

- □ DUI's
- ☐ CRIMINAL CASES (Call the Public Defender at (302) 577-3230)
- CLASS ACTIONS
- FEE GENERATING CASES
- CHILD SUPPORT (Call the Division of Child Support Enforcement at (302) 577-4863)
- MEDICAL OR LEGAL MALPRACTICE

Those individuals who do not meet CLASI, DVLS or LSCD's case or financial eligibility guidelines will be referred to the Lawyer Referral Service operated by the Delaware State Bar Association, where a half-hour consultation can be arranged with a private attorney for a fee of \$35.00.

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WHAT IS THE LEGAL HELP LINK?

The Legal Help Link coordinates the services of agencies that provide legal assistance to low income individuals in Delaware.

Callers are screened for both income and problem eligibility. If we can not help you, we may be able to direct you to the appropriate community program or resource.

WHAT AGENCIES ARE INVOLVED?

The Legal Help Link is a collaborative effort among the Delaware State Bar Association "DSBA", Delaware Volunteer Legal Services, Inc "DVLS", Widener University School of Law "WUSL", Community Legal Aid Society, Inc. "CLASI", and the Legal Services Corporation of Delaware "LSCD".

HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM ELIGIBLE FOR FREE LEGAL SERVICES?

To be eligible for free legal services, you must meet federal poverty income standards and have a meritorious civil legal problem.

If none of the organizations handle your type of case or you are not income eligible, we can refer you to the Lawyer Referral Program. They will select an attorney, convenient to you with whom you can meet to discuss your particular problem. The attorney will consult with you for 30 minutes for a fee of \$35.00.

WHAT TYPES OF CASES DO THE FREE LEGAL PROVIDERS HANDLE?

The Legal Help Link may be able to refer you to an attorney at no cost, associated with DVLS, CLASI or LSCD, for the following matters:

- Protection From Abuse (if you are a victim of domestic violence and need assistance)
- Other Family Law Matters
 (Divorce and Custody cases involving documented violence)
- Guardianships
- Landlord/Tenant (Poor housing conditions) (Public & Private)
- Wills/Living Wills & Power of Attorney (For Senior Citizens and the terminally ill)
- Government Benefits
 (Terminations in SSI, Social Security; Medicaid;
 Unemployment Benefits; TANF
 & Food Stamps; Disability Claims)
- o Home Ownership (Foreclosures)
- Consumer (Debt Collection, Breach of Contract, Bankruptcy, Fraud, Repair Scams)

SPECIALTY LAW PROGRAMS

Community Legal Aid Society, Inc., runs a number of specialty law programs. Clients needing assistance may not need to meet the poverty guidelines to qualify. These programs are:

- ❖ ELP Elder Law Program (ELP provides legal services to clients age 60 years and over. The program focuses on senior citizens who are socially or economically needy.
- Disability Law Program (This program responds to the needs of a special client group. Designed to assist Delawareans who have physical or mental disabilities.)
- Immigration Program (Provides assistance to individuals needing asylum.)

If you are calling about one of the above programs, please let us know when you call the Legal Help Link.