

# Learn more about your legal problem and going to court



## Statewide Self Help Center

The Statewide Self Help Center can help you find helpful information, services, and resources about your legal problem if you don't have a lawyer. This includes court forms and tools to help you complete court forms. They can answer general questions about court process or procedure.

**They can't give you legal advice.**

(651) 259-3888  
[mncourts.gov/selfhelp](http://mncourts.gov/selfhelp)



## Law Libraries

Law Libraries can help you find legal information. Most counties have a law library. Some have staff that can help you, some are self-help. There is a statewide law library too. Law librarians help you research your legal problem.

**They can't give you legal advice.**

(651) 297-7651  
[mncourts.gov/Help-Topics/Law-Libraries.aspx](http://mncourts.gov/Help-Topics/Law-Libraries.aspx)



## LawHelpMN.org

LawHelpMN.org is a website with fact sheets, do-it-yourself legal forms, and many other resources. You can instant message with someone from the site to help you find what information you're looking for.

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[lawhelpmn.org](http://lawhelpmn.org)

**Need legal advice? Flip over** 

# Legal Advice & Lawyers

## What is Brief Legal Advice?

Brief legal advice is a short meeting with a lawyer. The meeting can be in-person, over the phone, or online. You describe your legal problem, and the lawyer gives you advice about your rights and what you should do.

## Legal Clinics

The courts, the libraries, and other places have legal clinics where you can get free advice from a lawyer. Some legal clinics are walk-in, some are over the phone, and some are by appointment only. Some legal clinics only help people with low incomes.

Law Librarians or Statewide Self Help Center Staff can help you find a clinic.

[lawhelpmn.org/walk-in-clinics-and-other-legal-help-clinics](http://lawhelpmn.org/walk-in-clinics-and-other-legal-help-clinics)

## Go Online

Minnesota Legal Advice Online (MLAO) is a way to get free advice online. You post your question to the site for volunteer lawyers to answer. You must have a low income and meet other rules to use MLAO.

[mnlegaladvice.org](http://mnlegaladvice.org)

## More Help from a Lawyer



If you need more help than just legal advice, such as having someone go to court with you, there are other places that might be able to help you. Legal Aid helps some people with low incomes, seniors, or people with disabilities for free. Other programs have volunteer lawyers who might agree to take your case for free or at a lower rate.

Visit [mn.gov/law-library](http://mn.gov/law-library) and click “Research Links” and “Legal Referrals” to see what programs might be able to help you in your county.

United Way 2-1-1 can help you find legal programs and other social services. Call 211 or 1-800-543-7709 to talk to a specialist.

Visit [mnfindalawyer.com](http://mnfindalawyer.com) to see a directory of market-rate lawyers.