

## GETTING A LAWYER TO REPRESENT YOU IN A COURT CASE

**Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.**, for Carroll and Frederick Counties. **Must have low income unless over 60 years old for certain free services** Telephone intake review: 9-12 Monday through Thursday at 1-800-679-8813

For: housing, consumer, public benefits, domestic violence and **contested** custody

**POARP (Protection Order Advocacy and Representation Project)** Free representation for qualified adult victims of domestic violence in Carroll County. 410-386-2440 [cmack@ccg.carr.org](mailto:cmack@ccg.carr.org)

**Maryland Volunteer Lawyers & Judicare** 1-800-510-0050 **Must have low income for free/reduced fee services** Client intake 9:00 to noon Mon – Thurs by telephone. Intake by internet 24/7: [www.mvlslaw.org](http://www.mvlslaw.org) \$25 intake fee

**Child Support Enforcement** -only support matters-\$25 one time fee

To open an account, complete the application at <http://dhr.maryland.gov/child-support-services/>

For current info on a MD account, call: 1-800-332-6347 (English/Spanish) live operator

Or call 1-800-723-9937 for the Interactive Voice Response System (M-F 7am-7pm)

**Carroll County Lawyer Referral Service- part of the Baltimore County Referral Service** (\$35 for first 1/2/ hr consultation) 1-410-337-9100

## LEGAL ADVICE ONLY (NOT REPRESENTATION IN COURT)

**Carroll County Courthouse FAMILY Law Advice Clinic:** Information on the back of this sheet

**Family Law Hotline** Monday - Friday 9:30-4:30 1-800-845-8550

**Family Legal Forms Hotline** 1-800-818-9888 Tues., Weds. & Fridays 9-12:30 Thurs. 9-4

**Veterans' Legal Hotline** 443-863-4040 Tues. 3-7 pm Thursdays 9:30am to 1:30 pm

**Md Courts- Self-Help Center** 1-410-260-1392 8:30 am to 8pm M-F

[www.mdcourts.gov/legalhelp/selfhelpcenters.html](http://www.mdcourts.gov/legalhelp/selfhelpcenters.html) help on all civil matters- family, landlord tenant, return of property, money claims, etc.

**maryland.freelegalanswers.org** to message/email a Maryland attorney for free answers about any kind of civil case, including landlord tenant, tax

sale, foreclosures, consumer issues, domestic, employment, estates & trust, immigration, disability, etc.

**Collaborative Project of Maryland** If you want a free/reduced fee lawyer to help you reach an agreement without going to court, contact the Project at 240-428-8562 [www.collaborativeprojectmd.org](http://www.collaborativeprojectmd.org)

**Family Law for the People**, free presentation on family law with written materials for attendees.

First Wednesday of each month 4-7 in the Courthouse Annex. Open to all adults, no need to attend all 3 hours. First hour is on custody/visitation and last topics are on divorce and property. Please register in advance at 410-386-2751.

Help with filling out forms Free Spanish Speaking Attorney 1-877-293-2507 or 443-519-4054 Between 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Mondays only.
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## INFORMATION/FORMS

**Domestic Case Navigator**, available in Family Law Administration (**address below**) Mondays-Weds. 9am-1:00pm and Thursday 10:30am – 2:30 pm to help with forms and resources. 410-386-2734 or [kwmiller@ccg.carr.org](mailto:kwmiller@ccg.carr.org) Sometimes a volunteer paralegal helps at other times, call first for availability.

**FORMS** for starting or answering certain domestic cases, can be found at: [www.mdcourts.gov/family](http://www.mdcourts.gov/family) ;Circuit Court Clerk's Office; Family Law Administration, which has some forms not on the internet.

Go to Circuit Court's Law Library in the Historic Courthouse for access to further legal information and forms. It is suggested that you call 410-386-2672 or email [lawlib@ccg.carr.org](mailto:lawlib@ccg.carr.org) , in advance, to confirm the availability of the Librarian.

**WEBSITES:** [www.peoples-law.org](http://www.peoples-law.org) legal information on all topics

[www.mdcourts.gov/family](http://www.mdcourts.gov/family) Forms for domestic cases and information on services in all counties

[www.msba.org/public/index.htm](http://www.msba.org/public/index.htm) brochures on various legal topics in Maryland

[www.lawlib.state.md.us](http://www.lawlib.state.md.us) Court Rules and other legal research tools

[www.wlcmd.org/domesticviolence.html](http://www.wlcmd.org/domesticviolence.html) domestic violence information and resources

<http://casesearch.courts.state.md.us> Internet search tool for all Maryland Circuit and District Court criminal, civil and traffic cases using name of a party.

<http://www.mdcs1.org> website to find community services for all kinds of needs

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Telephone Number: 410-386-2751

# FAMILY LAW ADVICE CLINIC

**This Clinic is available ONLY to people who do not already have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one**

**COURTHOUSE ANNEX, SUITE 208  
55 NORTH COURT STREET  
WESTMINSTER, MD 21157**

**W E D N E S D A Y**

**4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

**T H U R S D A Y**

**9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

(after 4:30 pm you must enter through the back door of bldg and wait for clearance by the bailiff)

**If you do not have an attorney AND your income is below our guidelines, a lawyer will be available for an individual free consultation on how to represent yourself and complete forms regarding:**

**ABSOLUTE/LIMITED DIVORCE, ALIMONY, CHILD SUPPORT, CUSTODY/VISITATION, PATERNITY, GUARDIANSHIP, NAME CHANGE, AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

**THE CLINIC WORKS ON A FIRST COME – FIRST SERVE BASIS  
AND CLIENTS MAY SIGN IN NO MORE THAN ONE-HALF HOUR BEFORE  
THE ATTORNEY ARRIVES**



**FAMILY LAW ADMINISTRATION  
Suite 208, 55 N. Court Street, Westminster  
Available to all  
Daily 8:30 to 4:30**

**Forms for Domestic Issues May Be Found Online At:  
[www.mdcourts.gov/family](http://www.mdcourts.gov/family)**

## **ASSISTANCE FOR FORECLOSURES**

**If you are behind on payments or facing foreclosure  
Call 1-877-462-7555  
Or 1-855-604-4663**

**If you feel that you are a victim of a scam or bad lending practice,  
Call Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation at  
1-888-784-0136**