

GENERAL FAMILY LAW RESOURCES

King County Superior Court

Family Law Facilitators

The Family Law Facilitator Program at King County Superior Court provides information and referrals to family law litigants who are not represented by attorneys. No legal advice is provided. Litigants may meet with a facilitator on a walk-in basis or by pre-scheduled appointment. *No income requirements.* \$30 fee for appointments, reduced depending on income. For more information or to make an appointment:

206-263-FLIC (3542)

www.kingcounty.gov/courts/Familycourt/facilitator

King County Superior Court

Public Law Library - Legal Research and Training Center

Classes such as “Legal Research for the Non-Attorney” are offered. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 296-0940 or www.kcll.org/learnhow/lrtc/

King County Superior Court

Public Law Library – General Legal Clinic

A walk-in legal clinic in the Law Library on the 6th Floor of the King County Courthouse in Seattle from 11:30-1:30 every Wednesday. No appointment necessary. For more information call (206) 477-1305.

King County Bar Association

Neighborhood Legal Clinic

Neighborhood Legal Clinics provide FREE 30-minute consultation with an attorney at 39 locations across King County. Attorneys determine whether the client has a legal problem, suggest possible options, and provide appropriate referrals. These attorneys will not represent you in court. Call for income requirements and to schedule an appointment Tues. – Thurs. 9am-12pm:

(206) 267 – 7070 or www.kcba.org/pbs/nlc.aspx

King County Bar Association

Self Help Plus Program

Pro se assistance for low to moderate income King County residents with divorce cases or parenting plan cases when paternity has been established. Attorneys help with legal pleadings, filings, case management, and finalization. Fees are based on a sliding scale depending on income (\$40-\$80). For more information:

(206) 267-7080 or www.kcba.org/pbs/SHP

King County Bar Association

Lawyer Referral Service

For a \$45 fee, a 30-minute consultation with an attorney and referral for legal representation will be provided; referrals to attorneys providing “self-help legal services” will be provided without a fee. *No income requirements.* For more information, call (206) 267-7010 or visit <http://www.kcba.org/lrs/>.

Washington State Bar Association Program

Moderate Means

The Moderate Means Program is a partnership between the Washington State Bar Association and Washington’s three law schools, connecting people within 200–400% of the Federal Poverty Level to lawyers who offer legal help at reduced fees. For more information:

(855) 741-6930 or <http://www.moderatemeanswa.com/>

Washington State Bar Association

QLAW

The QLAW Foundation GLBT Legal Clinic offers a **free** 30-minute consultation with a volunteer attorney, who is specially trained to discuss legal issues commonly faced by members of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community. The clinic is held on the **3rd Thursday of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** Consultations are by appointment only. Call (206) 235-7235 or visit www.q-law.org/legalclinic.

Legal Voice

Statewide hotline that provides legal information, referrals, and “self-help” legal materials. The program provides free resources about family law issues, including divorce, custody and child support. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 621-7691

(866) 259-7721 - toll free

Washington Law Help

Website with hundreds of free legal education materials, including self-help packets, available for viewing and downloading at: www.washingtonlawhelp.org

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) RESOURCES

King County Superior Court

Family Court Services

Mediation for disagreements about parenting plans; fees charged according to income. *No income requirements.* Call for more information:

(206) 477-1500 - King County Superior Court (Seattle)

(206) 205-2521 - Maleng Regional Justice Center (Kent)

King County Courts

Early Resolution Case Managers

If both you and the other party in the case are not represented by an attorney and need mediation services, please speak with Early Resolution Case Managers at your Status Conference hearing.

King County Bar Association

Volunteer Family Law Settlement Conference Program

Free settlement conferences with experienced volunteer family law attorneys. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 477-1353 – Seattle or (253) 852-2345 – Kent

www.kingcounty.gov/courts/familycourt/settle

King County Bar Association

Legal Referral Services

King County hotline that provides referrals to professional mediators who charge for their services. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 267-7010 or <http://www.kcoba.org/lrs/>

CHILD SUPPORT RESOURCES

Washington State DSHS

Division of Child Support

For information on administrative or court ordered child support, please call:

(206) 341-7000

(800) 922-4306 - toll free

www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs

<https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/csips/ssgen> (online child support calculation software)

King County Prosecutor's Office

Family Support Division

Prosecutors may assist with actions to establish paternity and must review child support orders for those who have received or who are receiving public assistance. For more information:

(206) 296-9020 – Seattle or (206) 296-9595 – Kent

www.kingcounty.gov/prosecutor/childsupport.aspx

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCES

King County Prosecutor's Office

Domestic Violence Protection Order Advocacy Program

The Protection Order Advocacy Program is a program within the Domestic Violence Unit of the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. The program assists King County residents and those who recently fled to King County (because of domestic violence) as they petition the courts for protection orders. For more information:

(206) 477-1103 - King County Superior Court (Seattle) Room C-213

(206) 205-7406 - Maleng Regional Justice Center (Kent) Room 2B

<http://protectionorder.org/>

Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Legal advocates offer free assistance with legal paperwork, information and trial preparation, and referrals to low or no-cost lawyers. Advocates are not lawyers and cannot provide legal advice. For more information:

(800) 562-6025 – Washington State Domestic Violence Hotline

New Beginnings

Legal advocates help and access to resources on protection orders and parenting concerns. The program also provides general support and advocacy for those affected by domestic violence. For more information:

(206) 522-9472 – 24 Hour Hotline
www.newbegin.org

Eastside Domestic Violence Program

Legal advocates help with domestic violence victims in North and East King County. This program provides the following services: support and comprehensive legal advocacy, connection to local legal clinics, accompaniment to court proceedings, and outreach to domestic violence victims. For more information:
(425) 746-1940 or (800) 827.8840 – 24 Hour Hotline
<http://www.edvp.org>

King County Bar Association

Family Law Mentor Program

Volunteer attorneys provide legal services to King County residents who are low-income married or unmarried parents with contested family law cases (e.g. dissolution, petitions to establish a parenting plan, or paternity cases) where children are at risk because of domestic violence, child abuse/neglect, or alcohol/drug abuse. For more information:
(206) 267-7010
<http://www.kcba.org/pbs/familylaw.aspx>

King County Bar Association

Domestic Violence Family Law Clinic

The Clinic provides a free consultation with an attorney about family law issues, including divorce, custody, child support, and parentage. For more information, call:
(206) 783-2848 (Wednesdays from 1 to 3 PM)
(206) 267-7070

Eastside Legal Assistance Program (ELAP)

A non-profit organization providing free or low-cost, high quality civil legal services to low-income residents of East and Northeast King County. The program also provides domestic violence legal services throughout King County, offering a weekly Family Law Domestic Violence clinic, every Thursday (12-2pm) in Bellevue. For more information call (425) 747-7274 or visit <http://www.elap.org>.

King County Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Website provides extensive resources for domestic violence survivors at www.kccadv.org.

Northwest Network of Bi, Trans, Lesbian & Gay Survivors of Abuse

Free and confidential support for LGBTQ survivors of abuse and their friends and families.
(206) 568-7777 or www.nwnetwork.org

Northwest Justice Project CLEAR Hotline

Low income parties may receive legal advice and referrals by phone. Screening for representation by a staff attorney is limited to cases involving domestic violence posing an imminent threat to a party or children. For more information:
(206) 461-3200 or 211 or (877) 211-WASH (9274) - King County Residents
(888) 201-1014 (9:30am – 12:30pm) - Outside King County
(888) 387-7111 - Persons 60 years and over
www.nwjjustice.org

BILINGUAL RESOURCES

King County Superior Court

Office of Interpreter Services

To request an interpreter *at least 24 hours* in advance of your hearing, please contact: (206) 477-1415. For more information: www.kingcounty.gov/courts/SuperiorCourt/InterpSrv.aspx

King County Bar Association

Newcomers Resource Project

Provides free legal services for immigrants, refugees, and limited English-speaking individuals that are low-income residents of King County. For more information: (206) 267-7055 or www.kcba.org/legalhelp/newcomers/clients.aspx

Consejo Counseling and Referral Service

Program provides legal advocacy in Spanish. Non-attorney advocates provide cultural mediation and translation/interpretation as needed to ensure the domestic violence survivor's success during legal and civil actions, e.g. petitions for protection orders, petitions for dissolution, petitions to establish paternity, petitions to establish parenting plan. Advocates may also provide immigration assistance.
 (206) 461-4880 or <http://consejocounseling.org/>

Refugee Women's Alliance (ReWA)
 Comprehensive support and legal advocacy services in 11 languages. ReWA's bilingual/ bicultural domestic violence advocates work with victims to help them apply for protection orders, develop safety plans, access safe shelters, understand and navigate the legal system, as well as connect them to services providing basic needs. For more information:
 (206) 721-0243 or www.rewa.org

NON-PARENTAL CUSTODY RESOURCES

King County Superior Court **Nonparental Navigation Class**
 This free online PowerPoint presentation is designed to give users an overview of a nonparental, or 3rd party custody, court case. The presentation goes over how to start a case, how to serve the necessary parties, and how to finish the case. *This presentation is not intended for people who would like to get custody of their own children.*
<http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/FamilyCourt/facilitator.aspx>
 Click the link under "Helpful Resources"

King County Bar Association **Kinship Care Solutions Project**
 This program provides free legal representation for relatives and other caregivers seeking nonparental custody (also known as third party custody) of a child or children through a panel of volunteer attorneys. This program serves low-income King County residents only.
 (206) 267-7010 or www.kcba.org/pbs/KC.aspx

LGBTQ RESOURCES

Entre Hermanos Seattle's Latino LGBTQ Organization
 Promoting the health and well-being of the Latino Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, and questioning community in a culturally appropriate environment through disease prevention, education, support services, advocacy and community building. (206) 322-7700 or <http://www.entrehermanos.org/>

Ingersoll Gender Center in Seattle
 Provides direct peer support, community building, education and advocacy for transgender and gender variant people. www.ingersollcenter.org

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WASHINGTON STATE LAW WEBSITES

If you don't have access to the internet, please visit the law library in your local courthouse for statutes and rules. Forms are available at the facilitator's office in your courthouse.

WA State Statutes	http://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw
WA State Case Law	http://www.legalwa.org
WA Court Rules	http://www.courts.wa.gov/courtrules
King County Court Rules	http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/Clerk/Rules
King County Local Family Law Rules	http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/Clerk/Rules
WA Court Forms	http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms
King County Local Forms	http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/scforms

Search Case Records:

To review a list of documents filed in your case, visit <http://dw.courts.wa.gov/>