

THE PENNSYLVANIA SENIORLAW HELPLINE

2011 LEGAL RESOURCES DIRECTORY

How to Use This Directory

This directory contains county-by-county listings of a variety of legal services available to senior citizens (60 years and older) in Pennsylvania. The Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is listed first in each county. Generally, AAAs provide a variety of services to seniors, including legal services, which often are available through a local private attorney or the local legal services office (a.k.a. legal aid or LSC, which stands for Legal Services Corporation, a federally funded entity). In addition to contact information, we include information about the types of cases handled, eligibility guidelines, and cost. We list similar information for the legal services offices in each county, as well as information for legal clinics at law schools, specialty nonprofit legal offices, lawyer referral services and nonprofit mediation programs.

Whenever possible, we include a URL or hyperlink for a website, and we encourage you to explore the websites. Each county name is listed as a hyperlink; county web pages often contain an enormous amount of useful information about government services, courts, etc. **The listing for each county begins on a new page, but some counties continue onto a second or third page.**

In some cases, we include quasi-legal resources, as well, where we have found these to be especially useful to our callers.

After the county-by-county listings, we have included a list of agencies and organizations that provide services throughout the state. These statewide services are listed twice: first alphabetically, and then by legal issue, in the following order: consumer, health, housing, tax, public benefits, and other. **If you do not find an appropriate service in the caller's county, please check the statewide listing.**

We hope this directory helps you find the legal services you need. If you have any questions about this directory, please contact us at: helpline@seniorlawcenter.org.

[Adams County](#)

Adams County Office for Aging, Inc.

318 W. Middle Street
Gettysburg, PA 17325
(800) 548-3240 or (717) 334-9296
<http://www.acofa.org/>

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Income issues (social security, welfare etc.)
 - Long-term care
 - Abuse or neglect
 - Personal planning
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Housing
 - Protective services
- Eligibility guidelines: \$14,500 per year for one person and \$17,700 per year for a couple (PACE guidelines)
- Also works with Adams County Mediation Society
- Contact person: Steven Niebler (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

128 Breckenridge Street
Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334-7624
<http://midpenn.org>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law

Penn State's Dickinson School of Law
150 South College Street
Carlisle, PA 17013-2899

http://law.psu.edu/academics/clinics_and_externships

Disability Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - SSI
 - Handicap discrimination
 - ADA claims
 - Special education problems
 - Social Security Disability claims
 - Other disability matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 240-5203

Elder Law and Consumer Protection Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Long term care issues
 - Health insurance (e.g. Medicare & Medicaid)
 - Financial exploitation and abuse
 - Home repair and other contract disputes
 - Consumer credit issues (including credit card debt)
 - Bankruptcy
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: 717-240-5152

Family Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Divorce
 - Child custody
 - Child and spousal support
 - Protection from abuse
 - Other domestic matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 240-5204

Mediation Services of Adams County

P.O. Box 4113
Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334-7312

<http://www3.gettysburg.edu/~jpowers/medserv.html>

- Community
- Family/divorce
- Child custody
- Groups/organizations

- Landlord/tenant
- Small claims
- Training
- Victim-offender/corrections

COURT SELF- HELP FORMS

<http://www.adamscounty.us/adams/cwp/view.asp?a=3&q=514860>

- Helps individuals gain an understanding of the legal procedures and rules for filing Divorce, Custody, Support, Paternity or Protection from Abuse action

[Allegheny County](#)

Allegheny County AAA

441 Smithfield Street

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

(412) 350-5460 or 800-344-4319

<http://www.alleghenycounty.us/dhs/aaa.aspx>

seniorline@dhs.county.allegheny.pa.us

- Contracts with Neighborhood Legal Services for protective services, guardianship and range of civil matters
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Contact: Neighborhood Legal Services (or Mildred Morrison at AAA)
- Also seniors can make appointment to see an attorney at one of 87 senior centers in the county; see list at:
http://www.nlsa.us/legal_information/elder/elp_service_providers.htm

Neighborhood Legal Services

928 Penn Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

(412) 255-6700 or 866-761-6572

<http://www.nlsa.us>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Elder Law (includes elder abuse, living wills, health care planning, guardianship, and more – for details see:
http://www.nlsa.us/legal_information/elder/elderly_law_brochure.htm)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF, Medical Assistance for children)
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Allegheny County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service

920 City-County Bldg

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

(412) 261-5555

- <http://www.acba.org/Public/Legal-information/Lawyer-referral.asp>
- Half-hour consultation for \$30.

Allegheny County Bar Association Modest Means Program

- Reduced fees for qualifying individuals.
- Information on fees, eligibility and legal issues available at:
http://www.acbf.org/Client_Services/Modest_Means.asp

University of Pittsburgh School of Law

P.O. Box 7226

Pittsburgh, PA 15213-0221

<http://www.law.pitt.edu/academics/clinics/civil-practice-clinic>

Civil Practice Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Health (includes SSI, Social Security Disability, HMO problems and Medicare)
 - Disability discrimination
 - Elder law (includes guardianship, simple wills and powers of attorney, guardianship of minors, consumer and contractual disputes)
 - Tax matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case-by-case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (412) 648-1300

Allegheny County Bar Foundation Pro Bono Center

Suite 300, Allegheny Building

429 Forbes Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

(412) 402-6677

http://www.acbf.org/Pro_Bono_Center/Member_Organizations.asp

- Has a variety of projects and affiliated organizations to help low-income residents – the whole list is available on the website.
- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (includes adoption, custody and divorce)
 - Flood assistance
 - Military/veterans issues
 - Anti-predatory lending
 - Estates (includes wills, living wills, health care powers of attorney)

Allegheny County Bar Foundation Legal Services Directory

- Directory of a wide range of legal services available to residents of Allegheny County; can be found on line at:
http://www.acbf.org/Attorney_Services/Legal_Services_Directory.asp

Allegheny Link: Aging & Disability Resource Center

The Human Services Building

One Smithfield Street, First Floor

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

1-866-730-2368 or TTY: 412-350-5205

<http://www.alleghenylink.com/>

allylink@dhs.county.allegheny.pa.us

- Provides information on all services available to help older adults and people with a disability maintain their independence, dignity, and quality of life.

Equity Protection Legal Clinic

NeighborWorks® Western Pennsylvania. <http://www.nwwpa.org/>

710 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1000

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Phone: (412) 325-7848 X115

Fax: (412) 281-9987

- Transactional legal services for lower income homebuyers and homeowners throughout the Western Pennsylvania region, including:
 - Legacy preservation
 - Foreclosure prevention
 - Estate planning

Pittsburgh Mediation Center

The Center for Victims of Violence and Crime

5916 Penn Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Phone: 412.482.3240

http://www.cvvc.org/CrimeVictimsAssistance/ConRes_media.php

- Now part of CVVC but still does general mediation.

Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas Pro Se Assistance Program

Family Division - Adult Section

440 Ross Street

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Phone: 412.350.5600

http://www.alleghencourts.us/family/adult/pro_se_assistance.asp

Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas – Dockets

<https://dcr.alleghenycounty.us/>

[Armstrong County](#)

Armstrong County Area Agency on Aging

326 S. Water Street

Kittanning, PA 16201

(724) 548-3290 or 800-368-1066

<http://www.co.armstrong.pa.us/departments/social-services/aaa>
aaa@co.armstrong.pa.us

- Contracts with private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Income issues (includes Social Security, welfare, financial benefit applications and bankruptcy)
 - Abuse and neglect
 - Personal planning (includes wills, living wills and powers of attorney)
 - Discrimination
 - Housing (where senior is the tenant)
 - Domestic relations (including PFA & grandparent custody)
 - Utilities
 - Consumer problems over \$400 but under \$25,000 (through arbitration) and bankruptcy
 - One-time consultations for other miscellaneous legal issues where no other assistance would be available
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Janet Talerico (Dir)

Laurel Legal Services

206 S. Water Street, 1st Floor

Kittanning, PA 16201

(800) 475-1239 or (724) 548-7674

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/lis.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation, child dependency)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF, Medical Assistance for children)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Beaver County](#)

Beaver County Office on Aging

1020 Eighth Avenue
Beaver Falls, PA 15010
(724) 847-2262 or 888-548-2262
<http://www.bcoa.us>
aging@co.beaver.pa.us

- Contracts with Neighborhood Legal Services for wills, POAs, and protective services/defense of guardianship
- Also contracts with private attorney for wills and POAs
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Contact: Information and Referral Department or Beverly Sullivan (Dir)

Neighborhood Legal Services

Shore Point Landing
500 Market Street, Suite 204 A
Bridgewater, PA 15009
(724) 378-0595 or 866-761-6572
<http://www.nlsa.us>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Elder Law (includes elder abuse, living wills, health care planning, guardianship, and more – for details see: http://www.nlsa.us/legal_information/elder/elderly_law_brochure.htm)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF, Medical Assistance for children)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Equity Protection Legal Clinic

NeighborWorks® Western Pennsylvania. <http://www.nwwpa.org/>
710 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1000
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Phone: (412) 325-7848 X115
Fax: (412) 281-9987

- Transactional legal services for lower income homebuyers and homeowners throughout the Western Pennsylvania region, including:
 - Legacy preservation

- Foreclosure prevention
- Estate planning

Beaver County Lawyer Referral Service

788 Turnpike Street

Beaver, PA 15009

724-728-4888

<http://www.bcba-pa.org/lrs.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$25
- Low fee program: Refers to NLSA, which MIGHT possibly provide a low fee attorney.

[Bedford County](#)

Huntingdon/Bedford/Fulton AAA

240 Wood Street
P.O. Box 46
Bedford, PA 15522
(814) 623-8148 or (800) 892-7903
<http://www.nb.net/~hbfaaa/>
hbfaaa@nb.net

- Contracts with Mid Penn Legal Services and Franklin County Legal Services
- Operates a shared-ride program to take seniors to legal aid appts
- AAA's solicitor can do consultations for free or reduced rate, or advice in emergencies
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Contact: Alan Smith (Dir)

Mid Penn Legal Services

232 East Pitt Street
Bedford PA, 15522
(814) 623-6189 or (800) 326-9177
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Franklin County Legal Services

80 North 2nd Street
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-262-2326
<http://www.fcls.net/index.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (includes child custody, child support, spousal support and divorce)
 - Housing (includes landlord-tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, public or subsidized housing and homelessness)

- Income Issues (includes Unemployment compensation insurance Benefits, welfare benefits, bankruptcy and Social Security Benefits)
- Consumer (includes deception or fraud directed at consumers)
- Civil rights and civil liberties (includes discrimination for any reason prohibited by law and violation of constitutionally protected rights of free speech)
- Immigration (includes assistance in securing immigration benefits and representation in certain deportation proceedings)

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Berks County](#)

Berks County Office of Aging

633 Court St., 8th Floor (County Services Center)

Reading, PA 19601

(610) 478-6500

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

bcoa@fast.net

- Contracts with private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Income issues (Social Security, welfare etc.)
 - Long-term care
 - Abuse or neglect
 - Personal planning (includes wills and powers of attorney)
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Age discrimination
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant)
 - Protective services
 - Utilities
- Eligibility: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: Intake unit or Barbara Coffin (ED)

Mid Penn Legal Services

501 Washington St. #401

Reading, PA 19601

(610) 376-8656 or (800) 299-6599

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except PFA

Berks County Lawyer Referral Service

P.O. Box 1058

Reading PA, 19603

(610) 375-4591

<http://community.berksbar.org/>

- Half-hour consultation for \$35, \$10 for seniors (65 & older)

Blair County

Blair Senior Services

1320 12th Avenue
Altoona, PA 16601
(814) 946-1235 or (800) 245-3282
<http://www.blairsenior.org>

- Contracts with private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills and powers of attorney
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Steve Williamson (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

205 Lakemont Park Blvd
Altoona, PA 16602
(814) 943-8139 or (800) 326-9177
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Blair County Lawyer Referral Service

423 Allegheny Street, Suite 217
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648
814-693-3090
http://blaircountybar.org/?page_id=6

- No set consultation fee agreement

Bradford County

Bradford/Sullivan/Susquehanna/Tioga County Senior Services

220 Main Street, unit 2
Towanda, PA 18848
(800) 982-4346 or (570) 265-6121
<http://www.aaaseniors.org/>

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services
- Covers most issues including POAs (but not wills)
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of Federal Poverty Level
- Contact: William Farley (ED)

North Penn Legal Services

One Progress Plaza, Suite 11
Towanda, PA 18848
(800) 942-4028 or 570-265-6127
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

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(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Bucks County](#)

Bucks County Area Agency on Aging

30 East Oakland Avenue
Doylestown, PA 18901
(215) 348-0510

<http://www.buckscounty.org/government/departments/HumanServices/Aging/index.aspx>

- Contracts with Legal Aid of Southeastern PA
- Contract covers most civil cases: personal planning, bankruptcy and bill collection, housing, financial abuse & public benefits BUT NOT WILLS.
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Contact: Allison McConnell at Legal Aid – 215-781-1111

Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania

1290 Veterans Hwy, Box 809
Bristol, PA 19007
215-781-1111

Legal Helpline – 877-429-5994 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Monday - Thursday)

www.lasp.org

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Elder Law (powers of attorney, AHCD, BUT NOT WILLS)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Bucks County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service

P.O. Box 300
Doylestown, PA 18901
1-888-991-9922

http://www.bucksbar.org/html/community_referral.htm

- Consultation - \$40, \$25 for low-income
- Mediation also available

Community Impact Legal Services

1003 East Lincoln Highway
Coatesville, PA 19320
(800) 967-9150

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer & Housing

Legal Clinic for the Disabled, Inc.

1513 Race Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-587-3350

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes foreclosure)
 - Family (includes divorce, protection from abuse, custody and support)
 - Health (includes public and private health insurance claims and attendant care)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, and real estate title transfers)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney)
 - Public benefits (includes SSI, Social Security Disability, publicly funded transportation, income maintenance and food)
 - ADA and Fair Housing Act
 - Special education
- Eligibility guidelines: 150% of the Federal Poverty Level

Bucks County Mediation Services

50 Hollybrooke Drive
Langhorne, PA, 19047
(215) 750-7220

<http://www.thepeacecenter.org/mediation.html>
peace@comcat.com

- Legal issues handled:
 - Community
 - Groups/organizations
 - Training

Bucks County Courts

(215) 348-6000

<http://www.buckscounty.org/courts/index.aspx>

[Butler County](#)

Butler County Area Agency on Aging

111 Sunnyview Circle, Suite 101

Butler, PA 16001

(724) 282-3008 or (888) 367-2434

<http://www.co.butler.pa.us/butler/cwp/view.asp?a=1468&q=603991aaainfo@co.butler.pa.us>

- Contacts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- AAA must make the referral
- Contract covers personal planning and other simple civil matters.
- Eligibility guidelines: 100% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Also contracts with Neighborhood Legal Services for protective services and defense of guardianship.
- Contact: Lisa Monday (Administrator)

Neighborhood Legal Services

Holley Pointe, Suite 301

220 S. Main Street

Butler, PA 16001

(724) 282-3888

<http://www.nlsa.us>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Elder Law (includes elder abuse, living wills, health care planning, guardianship, and more – for details see: http://www.nlsa.us/legal_information/elder/elderly_law_brochure.htm)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
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710 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1000

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Phone: (412) 325-7848 X115

Fax: (412) 281-9987

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 - Foreclosure prevention
 - Estate planning

Butler County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service

724.841.0130

- Half-hour consultation for \$25, 1 hour for \$50
- ALSO HAS A REDUCED FEE PROGRAM

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

Cambria County

Cambria County Area Agency on Aging

110 Franklin Street, Suite 400

Johnstown, PA 15901

(814) 539-5595 or 800-992-4464

<http://www.co.cambria.pa.us/Pages/AreaAgencyonAging.aspx>

- Contracts with a local attorney for defense of guardianship only.
- No Title III B Legal Provider
- Contact: M. Veil Griffith (Administrator)

Laurel Legal Services

Franklin Center

225-227 Franklin Street

Johnstown, PA 15901

(814) 536-8917 or (888) 244-7252

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/lis.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Cameron County](#)

Cameron/Elk/McKean Counties Offices of Human Service

421 N Broad Street
Emporium, PA 15834
(814) 486-3708
www.ohsaging.com
ohs@ncentral.com

- Contracts with a private attorney in Elk Co. to provide legal services
- Contract covers range of civil issues but most referrals concern financial issues or powers of attorney. If attorney cannot handle the issue by phone, he tries to refer seniors who are not in his area to attorneys in their locale (for free or reduced rates).
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: William Orzechowski (Dir)

Northwestern Legal Services

Warr-Penn Building, Suite 407
213 Third Avenue, West
Warren, PA 16365
(800) 665-6957
<http://www.nwls.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.
 - Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues.

Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.

- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Carbon County](#)

Carbon County Area Agency on Aging

401 Delaware Ave. 3rd Floor
Palmerton, PA 18701
(610) 824-7830 or 800-441-1315
<http://www.carboncounty.com/aging.htm>
ccaging2@ptd.net

- Contracts with a private attorney for wills, powers of attorney, medical powers of attorney and living wills.
- Will do home visits
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Cheri Mae Santore (Dir)

North Penn Legal Services

1203 North Street
Jim Thorpe, PA 18229
(877) 953-4250; Phone intake hours: 9:30-11:30, 1:30-4:30 M, T, Th or Friday
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Centre County

Centre County Office on Aging

420 Holmes Street
Willowbank Office Bldg
Bellefonte, PA 16823
(814) 355-6716
<http://www.co.centre.pa.us/521.asp>
aging@co.centre.pa.us

- Contracts with MidPenn Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Also has relationship with local Bar for pro bono and paying referrals
- Contact: Carol English

Mid Penn Legal Services

3500 East College Avenue, Suite 1295
State College, PA 16801
(800) 326-9177 or (814) 238-4958
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes defense of guardianship, protective services, powers of attorney and living wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Chester County](#)

Chester County Department of Aging Services

601 Westtown Road, Suite 130
P.O. Box 2747
West Chester, PA 19380
(800) 692-1100 or 610-344-6350
[http://www.chesco.org/aging/
ccaging@chesco.org](http://www.chesco.org/aging/ccaging@chesco.org)

- Half-hour consultations for \$10
- Private attorney does estate/personal planning documents
- Reduced Fee Legal Services Program in collaboration with Chester County Bar
 - Fees: \$50/hour maximum
 - Call 610-344-6350 to sign up
- On the Second Wednesday of each month from 9am to noon, an attorney is from LASP meets with seniors for 30 minutes to provide consultation for topics including living wills, durable power of attorney for healthcare, consumer fraud, dept collection practices, bankruptcy, landlord/ tenet, social security benefits, public welfare benefits or any other civil legal questions.
 - The attorney will meet with people at:
The Chester County Government Services Center
601 Westtown Rd, Suite 130
West Chester PA 19380
 - Call 610-344-6350 to schedule a time.
 - Must be LSC-eligible.
- Contact: Margie Webb (Dir)

Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania

222 N. Walnut Street, 2nd Floor
West Chester, PA 19380
610-436-4510
www.lasp.org

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Elder Law (wills, powers of attorney, AHCD)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)

- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Chester County Bar Association LRS

15 West Gay Street Floor 2
West Chester, PA 19380
(610) 429-1500

<http://www.chescobar.org/public/>

- Half-hour consultation for \$25

Access to Justice Program

15 West Gay Street Floor 2
West Chester, PA 19380
(877) 429-5994 - (610) 692-4100

http://www.chescobar.org/public/access_to_justice.html

- Serves those who are ineligible for free legal services elsewhere and cannot afford an attorney
- Legal issues handled:
 - Simple wills
 - Power of attorney
 - Living wills
 - Bankruptcy
 - Landlord/tenant
 - Elder law
 - Custody and visitation
 - No Asset divorce
 - Miscellaneous cases at the discretion of the program

Community Impact Legal Services

1003 East Lincoln Highway
Coatesville, PA 19320
(800) 967-9150

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer & Housing

Legal Clinic for the Disabled, Inc.

1513 Race Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-587-3350

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes foreclosure)
 - Family (includes divorce, protection from abuse, custody and support)

- Health (includes public and private health insurance claims and attendant care)
- Housing (includes landlord/tenant, and real estate title transfers)
- Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney)
- Public benefits (includes SSI, Social Security Disability, publicly funded transportation, income maintenance and food)
- ADA and Fair Housing Act
- Special education
- Eligibility guidelines: 150% of the Federal Poverty Level

Center for Resolutions

P.O. Box 1498

Media, PA 19063

(610) 566-7710

<http://www.center4resolutions.org/aboutus/aboutus.html>

- Business
- Community, religious, schools
- Employment
- Family/divorce/custody
- Groups/organizations
- Labor/management
- Landlord/tenant
- Small claims
- Training
- Victim-offender/corrections

Chester County Courts

www.chesco.org

[Clarion County](#)

Clarion County Area Agency on Aging

12 Grant Street
Clarion, PA 16214
(814) 226-4640

<http://www.p4a.org/clarion.htm>

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Income issues (includes Social Security and welfare)
 - Long-term care
 - Abuse and neglect
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Protective services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Stephanie Wilshire (Dir)

Laurel Legal Services

231 W. Main Street
Clarion, PA 16214
(800) 660-1755 or (814) 226-4340

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/lis.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Clearfield County](#)

Clearfield County AAA, Inc.

103 N. Front Street
Clearfield, PA 16830
(814) 765-2696 or 800-225-8571
<http://www.ccaaa.net/>
mail@ccaaa.net

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Any non-fee generating issue
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: Intake department or John Kordish (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

211 East Locust Street
Clearfield, PA 16830
(800) 326-9177 or (814) 765-9646
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Clinton County](#)

Lycoming/Clinton Bi-County Office of Aging – STEP, Inc.

P.O. Box 3156
2138 Lincoln Street
Williamsport, PA 17701
(570) 323-3096

http://www.p4a.org/lyc_clin.htm

- Contracts with a private attorney to do educational seminars and handle protective services, defense of guardianship, and other civil matters, e.g., housing and consumer
- Often can find local attorneys to do POAs for free or reduced fee.
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Fredrick Shrimp

North Penn Legal Services

329 Market Street
Williamsport, PA 17701
(570) 323-8741 or (800) 326-7436

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

- Legal issues handled include:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Education and Employment law issues
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and cases funded by grants with their own income requirements.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Clinton County Courts

<http://www.clintoncountypa.com/courts.htm>

[Columbia County](#)

Columbia-Montour Area Agency on Aging

702 Sawmill Road, Suite 201
Bloomsburg, PA 17815
(570) 784-9272 or 800-598-5001
<http://www.cmaaa15.org/>
info@cmaaa15.org

- Contracts with a private attorney for POAs and protective services
- For other issues: up to one hour consultation for free.
- Eligibility guidelines: none, but must not be able to afford an attorney
- Fees: none
- Contact: Kathi Lynn (Dir)

North Penn Legal Services

168 E. Fifth Street
Bloomsburg, PA 17815
(570) 784-8760
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Community Dispute Resolution of Bloomsburg

Joy E. McGinnis
P.O. Box 256
Berwick, PA 18603
(570) 752-8446
joyesq@hotmail.com

- Community

- Family/divorce/child custody
- Groups/organizations
- Landlord/tenant
- Schools

Crawford County

Active Aging, Inc.

1034 Park Avenue
Meadville, PA 16335
(800) 321-7705 or (814) 336-1792
www.activeaging.org
aainc@toolcity.net

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Protective services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Also occasionally arranges pro bono referral to a local attorney.
- Contact: Information and referral unit, or Donna Stimpson (Dir)

Northwestern Legal Services

Professional Building, 4th Floor
231 Chestnut Street
Meadville, PA 16335
(800) 665-6957
<http://www.nwls.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.
 - Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues.

Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.

- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Crawford County Courthouse: Pro Se Litigant Assistant

Law Library, Second Floor

903 Diamond Park

Meadville, PA 16335

814-373-2730

CONTACT: Jessica Schroeder

http://www.crawfordcountypa.net/portal/page?_pageid=393,1,393_812460&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

[Cumberland County](#)

Cumberland County Office of Aging and Community Services

16 West High Street
Carlisle, PA 17013
(717) 240-6110 or 888-691-0371 x. 611
www.ccpa.net/aging
aging@ccpa.net

- Contracts with a private attorney, who mostly does personal planning but will consult on other, non-fee generating issues.
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Terry Barley (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

401 E. Lanther Street, Suite 103
Carlisle, PA 17013
(800) 822-5288 or (717) 243-9400
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Cumberland County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service

32 South Bedford Street
Carlisle, PA 17013
717-249-3166
<http://www.cumberlandbar.com/LRS.aspx>

- Half-hour consultation for \$25

Jewish Family Service

6333 N. Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110
717-233-1681
<http://www.jfsofmbg.org/>

- Will prepare a Power of Attorney and act as Power of Attorney for \$80/hour.
- Will file for Guardianship and act as Guardian for \$120/hour.

Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law

Penn State's Dickinson School of Law
150 South College Street
Carlisle, PA 17013-2899

http://law.psu.edu/academics/clinics_and_externships

Disability Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - SSI
 - Handicap discrimination
 - ADA claims
 - Special education problems
 - Social Security Disability claims
 - Other disability matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 243-3696

Elder Law and Consumer Protection Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Long term care issues
 - Health insurance (e.g. Medicare & Medicaid)
 - Financial exploitation and abuse
 - Home repair and other contract disputes
 - Consumer credit issues (including credit card debt)
 - Bankruptcy
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: 717-240-5152

Family Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Divorce
 - Child custody
 - Child and spousal support
 - Protection from abuse
 - Other domestic matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 243-2968

Cumberland Link to Aging & Disability Resources

145 South Hanover Street
Carlisle, PA 17013
Phone: 717-240-7887 or 1-866-570-5465

TTY: 717-240-7893

Fax: 717-243-8005

<http://www.ccpa.net/index.asp?nid=111>

thelink@ccpa.net

Neighborhood Dispute Settlement

315 Peffer Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

(717) 233-8255

concillatn@pa.net

www.disputesettlement.us

- AIDS
- Business
- Community, religious, schools
- Consumer
- Elder issues
- Employment
- Environment
- Family/divorce/custody
- Groups/organizations
- Health care
- Labor/management
- Landlord/tenant, real estate

[Dauphin County](#)

Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging

25 South Second Street, 3rd Floor

Harrisburg, PA 17101

(717) 780-6130 or 800-328-0058 x. 613

<http://www.dauphincounty.org/human-services/area-agency-on-aging/>

- Contracts with Widener Law School to provide legal services
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: Intake unit or Robert Burns (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

213-A North Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17101

(800) 932-0356 or (717) 232-0581

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Dauphin County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service

213 N. Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17101

(717) 232-7536

<http://www.dcba-pa.org/Community%20Service%20Programs/LawyerReferral.aspx>

- Does not have a consultation fee agreement

Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law

Penn State's Dickinson School of Law

150 South College Street

Carlisle, PA 17013-2899

http://law.psu.edu/academics/clinics_and_externships

Disability Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - SSI
 - Handicap discrimination

- ADA claims
- Special education problems
- Social Security Disability claims
- Other disability matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 243-3696

Elder Law and Consumer Protection Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Long term care issues
 - Health insurance (e.g. Medicare & Medicaid)
 - Financial exploitation and abuse
 - Home repair and other contract disputes
 - Consumer credit issues (including credit card debt)
 - Bankruptcy
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: 717-240-5152

Family Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Divorce
 - Child custody
 - Child and spousal support
 - Protection from abuse
 - Other domestic matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 243-2968

Widener University Law School

3800 Vartan Way
Harrisburg, PA 17106
(717) 541-0320

<http://law.widener.edu/Academics/ClinicalProgramsandProfessionalTraining/Clinics/HarrisburgCivilLawClinic.aspx>

Civil Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Domestic relations
 - Landlord/tenant
 - Public benefits
 - Consumer matters
 - Personal planning
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: referral must come from the AAA or legal services

Jewish Family Service

6333 N. Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110
717-233-1681

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

- Will prepare a power of attorney and act as power of attorney for \$80/hour.
- Will file for guardianship and act as guardian for \$120/hour.

Neighborhood Dispute Settlement

315 Peffer Street
Harrisburg, PA 17102
(717) 233-8255

concillatn@pa.net

www.disputesettlement.us

- AIDS
- Business
- Community
- Consumer
- Elder issues
- Employment
- Environment
- Family/divorce/custody
- Groups/organizations
- Health care
- Labor/management
- Landlord/tenant, real estate
- Religious
- Schools

Dauphin County Courts Self-Help Center

<http://www.dauphincounty.org/about-the-county/OneStopForms/>

- Scroll down for Self Help Center, which has the following court forms:
 - Custody (complaint & modification), divorce (3301c & 3301d)
 - Name change petition
 - License suspension appeal
 - Motion for declaration of ownership
 - IFP

[Delaware County](#)

Delaware County Services for the Aging

206 Eddystone Avenue, 2nd Floor
Eddystone, PA 19022
(610) 490-1300 or 800-416-4504
[http://www.delcosa.org/
cosa@co.delaware.pa.us](http://www.delcosa.org/cosa@co.delaware.pa.us)

- Contracts with Legal Aid of Southeastern PA
- Also refers to private attorneys (NOT free)
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: information and referral unit or Louis Colbert (Dir)

Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania

410 Welsh Street
Chester, PA 19030
610-874-8421
Legal Helpline – 877-429-5994 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
www.lasp.org

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (Ch 7 bankruptcy only)
 - Elder Law for seniors only (wills, powers of attorney, AHCD)
 - Family (protection from abuse and custody/visitation only)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Arrest record expungement
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and elder law.

Delaware County Bar Association LRS

Front and Lemon Streets
Media, PA 19063
(610) 566-6625
<http://www.delcobar.org/>

- Half-hour consultation for \$20

Community Impact Legal Services

1003 East Lincoln Highway
Coatesville, PA 19320
(800) 967-9150

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer
 - Housing
- Legal information and advice only

Villanova School of Law

299 North Spring Mill Road
Villanova, Pennsylvania 19085-1597
<http://www.law.villanova.edu/>

Civil Justice Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (includes custody, support, defense in child abuse and neglect and paternity)
 - Social Security benefits
 - Housing (includes public and subsidized evictions and conditions issues)
- Eligibility guidelines: 200% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: (610) 519-6417
- <http://www.law.villanova.edu/Academics/Clinical%20Programs/Clinics/Civil%20Justice%20Clinic.aspx>

Federal Tax Clinic – SERVES ENTIRE STATE

- Legal issues handled:
 - Income tax returns being examined by the IRS
 - Tax collection problems
 - Tax cases pending before the US Tax Court
- Eligibility guidelines: 250% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: (610) 519-4123

Legal Clinic for the Disabled, Inc.

1513 Race Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-587-3350

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes foreclosure)
 - Family (includes divorce, protection from abuse, custody and support)
 - Health (includes public and private health insurance claims and attendant care)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, and real estate title transfers)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney)
 - Public benefits (includes SSI, Social Security Disability, publicly funded transportation, income maintenance and food)
 - ADA and Fair Housing Act

- Special education
- Eligibility guidelines: 150% of the Federal Poverty Level

Center for Resolutions

P.O. Box 1498
Media, PA 19063
(610) 566-7710

<http://www.center4resolutions.org/aboutus/aboutus.html>

- Business
- Community, religious, schools
- Employment
- Family/divorce/custody
- Groups/organizations
- Labor/management
- Landlord/tenant
- Small claims
- Training
- Victim-offender/corrections

Delaware County Courts

<http://www.co.delaware.pa.us/courts/index.html>

Elk County

Cameron/Elk/McKean County Offices of Human Services

P.O. Box A
108 Center Street
Ridgeway, PA 15853
(814) 776-2191 or 800-672-7145

www.ohsaging.com

ohs@ncentral.com

- Contracts with a private attorney in Elk Co. to provide legal services
- Contract covers range of civil issues but most referrals concern financial issues or powers of attorney. If attorney cannot handle the issue by phone, he tries to refer seniors who are not in his area to attorneys in their locale (for free or reduced rates).
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: William Orzechowski (Dir)

Northwestern Legal Services

Warr-Penn Building, Suite 407
213 Third Avenue, West
Warren, PA 16365
(800) 665-6957

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.

- Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.
- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Erie County

Greater Erie Community Action Committee/AAA

18 W. Ninth Street
Erie, PA 16501
(800) 769-2436 or (814) 459-4581
www.gecac.org

- Contracts with Northwestern Legal Services for wills & POAs
- Also has a staff attorney who can be consulted for basic legal information or questions
- Local elder law attorney does legal educational events for seniors
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Debra Mennecke (Division Mgr)

Northwestern Legal Services

1001 State Street, Suite 700
Renaissance Centre
Erie, PA 16501
(800) 753-5704 or (814) 452-6949
<http://www.nwls.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.
 - Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.

- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Erie County Bar Association LRS

P.O. Box 1792

Erie, PA 16507

(814) 459-4411

<http://www.eriebar.com/lawyer-referral-service.htm>

- Half-hour consultation for \$45
- Free consultation in some areas

[Fayette County](#)

Southwestern PA AAA

137 North Beeson Avenue
Suite 107
Uniontown, PA 15401
724-430-4603

[http://www.swpa-aaa.org/
contact@swpa-aaa.org](http://www.swpa-aaa.org/contact@swpa-aaa.org)

- Legal services provided by an in-house legal team of 2 attorneys and a paralegal
- Handles most civil matters except fee-generating
- Also refers to LSC and has a good referral network for other issues.
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Kathleen A. Gustine, Esq. or Gwendolyn Ridgley (director)

Southwestern PA Legal Services

48 East Main Street
Uniontown, PA 15401
(724) 439-3591

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/swpls.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes debt collection and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing and foreclosure)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Social Security Disability, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF, WIC and LIHEAP)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

- <http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>
- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Forest County

Experience, Inc. Warren/Forest AAA

905 Fourth Avenue
PO Box 886
Warren, PA 16365
(800) 281-6545 or (814) 726-1700
[http://www.experienceinc.org/
experience@westpa.net](http://www.experienceinc.org/experience@westpa.net)

- Contracts with Northwest Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Farley Wright (Dir)

Northwestern Legal Services

Warr-Penn Building, Suite 407
213 Third Avenue, West
Warren, PA 16365
(800) 665-6957 or 814-452-6957
<http://www.nwls.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.
 - Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.

- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

- <http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>
- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Franklin County](#)

Franklin County AAA

600 Norland Ave, Suite 11
Chambersburg, PA 17201
(717) 263-2153 or 800-642-6990

<http://www.co.franklin.pa.us/franklin/cwp/view.asp?a=2545&q=590873>

- Contracts with a private attorney
- Eligibility guidelines: ?
- Fees: none
- Contact: Traci Kline (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

230 Lincoln Way East, Suite A
Chambersburg, PA 17201
(800) 372-4737 or (717) 264-5354

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes defense of Guardianship, protective services, powers of attorney and living wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law

Penn State's Dickinson School of Law
150 South College Street
Carlisle, PA 17013-2899

http://law.psu.edu/academics/clinics_and_externships

Disability Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - SSI & SSDI

- Handicap discrimination
- ADA claims
- Special education problems
- Other disability matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 240-5203

Elder Law and Consumer Protection Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Long term care issues
 - Health insurance (e.g. Medicare & Medicaid)
 - Financial exploitation and abuse
 - Home repair and other contract disputes
 - Consumer credit issues (including credit card debt)
 - Bankruptcy
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: 717-240-5152

Family Law Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Divorce
 - Child custody
 - Child and spousal support
 - Protection from abuse
 - Other domestic matters
- Eligibility guidelines: on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: (717) 240-5204

Franklin County Legal Services

80 North 2nd Street
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-262-2326

www.fcls.net

- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (child custody, child support, spousal support, divorce)
 - Housing (includes landlord-tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, public or subsidized housing and homelessness)
 - Income Issues (includes unemployment compensation, welfare benefits, consumer bankruptcy and social security benefits)
 - Consumer (includes deception or fraud directed at consumers)
 - Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (includes discrimination for any reason prohibited by law and violation of constitutionally protected rights of free speech)
 - Immigration (includes assistance in securing immigration benefits and representation in certain deportation proceedings)

[Fulton County](#)

Huntingdon/Bedford/Fulton AAA

116 W. Market Street, Suite 201
McConnellsburg, PA 17233
(800) 637-0315 or (717) 485-5151
<http://www.nb.net/~hbfaaa/hbfaaa@nb.net>

- Contracts with MidPenn Legal Services
- Operates a shared-ride program to take seniors to legal aid appts
- AAA's solicitor can do consultations for free or reduced rate, or advice in emergencies
- Contact: Alan Smith (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

230 Lincoln Way East, Suite A
Chambersburg, PA 17201
(800) 372-4737 or (717) 264-5354
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes defense of Guardianship, protective services, powers of attorney and living wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.
- Contact (FOR OUR USE ONLY): Carrie Bowmaster

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Franklin County Legal Services

80 North 2nd Street
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-262-2326
www.fcls.net

- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (includes child custody, child support, spousal support and divorce)
 - Housing (includes landlord-tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, public or subsidized housing and homelessness)
 - Income Issues (includes Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, welfare benefits, consumer bankruptcy and Social Security Benefits)
 - Consumer (includes deception or fraud directed at consumers)
 - Civil rights and civil liberties (includes discrimination for any reason prohibited by law and violation of constitutionally protected rights of free speech)
 - Immigration (includes assistance in securing immigration benefits and representation in certain deportation proceedings)

[Greene County](#)

Southwestern PA AAA

93 East High Street
B-Level
Waynesburg, PA 15370
724-852-1510

[http://www.swpa-aaa.org/
contact@swpa-aaa.org](http://www.swpa-aaa.org/contact@swpa-aaa.org)

- Legal services provided by an in-house legal team of 2 attorneys and a paralegal
- Handles most civil matters except fee-generating
- Also refers to LSC and has a good referral network for other issues.
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Kathleen A. Gustine, Esq. or Bill Garrow (Director)

Southwest Pennsylvania Legal Services

95 East High Street
Waynesburg, PA 15370
(724) 627-3127

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes debt collection and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing and foreclosure)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Social Security Disability, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF, WIC and LIHEAP)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Huntingdon County

Huntingdon/Bedford/Fulton AAA

915 Washington Street, P.O. Box 372

Huntingdon, PA 16652

(814) 643-5115 or 800-528-9155

<http://www.nb.net/~hbfaaa/>

hbfaaa@nb.net

- Contracts with Mid Penn Legal Services and Franklin County Legal Services
- Operates a shared-ride program to take seniors to legal aid appts
- AAA's solicitor can do consultations for free or reduced rate, or advice in emergencies
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Contact: Alan Smith (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

2054 East College Avenue

State College, PA 16801

(800) 326-9177 or (814) 238-4958

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes defense of Guardianship, protective services, powers of attorney and living wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Franklin County Legal Services

80 North 2nd Street

Chambersburg, PA 17201

717-262-2326

www.fcls.net

- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (includes child custody, child support, spousal support and divorce)
 - Housing (includes landlord-tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, public or subsidized housing and homelessness)
 - Income Issues (includes Unemployment compensation Insurance Benefits, welfare benefits, consumer bankruptcy and social security benefits)
 - Consumer (includes deception or fraud directed at consumers)
 - Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (includes discrimination for any reason prohibited by law and violation of constitutionally protected rights of free speech)
 - Immigration (includes assistance in securing immigration benefits and representation in certain deportation proceedings)

Indiana County

Aging Services, Inc.

1005 Oak Street, P.O. Box 519

Indiana, PA 15701

(724) 349-4500

www.agingservicesinc.com

caling@ptd.net

- Contacts with a private attorney to do presentations at all senior centers
- Contracts with another attorney for defense of guardianship.
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: James McQuown (Dir)

Laurel Legal Services

655 Church Street, Suite 1

Indiana, PA 15701

(800) 660-1753 or (724) 349-3440

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/lis.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Jefferson County

Jefferson County AAA

186 Main Street
Brookville, PA 15825
(814) 849-3096 or 800-852-8036
<http://www.jcaaa.org/>
jcaaakitko@alltel.net

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Abuse and neglect
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Protective services
- Eligibility guideline: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Randy Davis (ED)
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Laurel Legal Services

201 Main Street, 2nd Floor
Brookville, PA 15825
(800) 475-1240 or (814) 849-3044
<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/lis.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Juniata County](#)

Mifflin-Juniata AAA

P.O. Box 750, 1 Buena Vista Circle
Lewistown, PA 17044
(800) 348-2277
www.mjaaa.com
mjaaa@acsworld.com

- Contracts with a private attorney for protective services & guardianship cases
- Also refers to local attorneys who handle cases for free or reduced fee
- Also refers to Mid-Penn
- Eligibility guidelines: none but on case-by-case basis those with the means to pay are asked to pay.
- Fees: none, but has \$5 consultation program
- Contact: Kathleen Graham

MidPenn Legal Services

2054 East College Avenue
State College, PA 16801
(800) 326-9177 or (814) 238-4958
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes defense of guardianship, protective services, powers of attorney and living wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Lackawanna County](#)

Lackawanna County AAA

200 Adams Avenue, 3rd Floor
Scranton, PA 18503
(570) 963-6740

<http://www.lackawannacounty.org/viewDepartment.aspx?DeptID=14>

- Contracts with the County Solicitors Office, Elderly Law Project
- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy consultations, collection)
 - Estates (includes powers of attorney, simple wills, deed transfers)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant)
 - Family (includes protection from abuse and grandparent custody)
 - Guardianship
- Eligibility guidelines: 100% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- ALSO: Reduced fees for seniors with higher income
- Contact: information and referral or Teresa Osborne (Dir)

North Penn Legal Services

507 Linden Street, Suite 300
Scranton, PA 18503
(800) 982-4387 or (570) 342-0184

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lackawanna County Lawyer Referral Service

338 North Washington Ave.
Scranton, PA 18503
570-969-9600

- No set consultation fee agreement

Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc

321 Spruce St,
Scranton, PA 18503
(570) 961-2714

<http://www.lackawannabar.org/services/factsheet.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Community economic development
 - Consumer (includes debtor-creditor and mortgage foreclosure)
 - Family (includes Custody, dissolution of Marriage and domestic violence)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant)
 - Public benefits (includes unemployment compensation and SSI)
- Eligibility guidelines: No other source of representation available
- Fees: none

The Rose Center

537 Venard Road
Clarks Summit, PA 18411
(570) 585-6477

<http://therosemediationcenter.org/>

TheRoseCenter@gmail.com

- Handles mediation in the following areas:
 - Community
 - Consumer
 - Elder issues
 - Family/divorce/custody
 - Landlord/tenant
 - Religious
 - Schools
 - Small claims
 - Training
 - Victim/offender

[Lancaster County](#)

Lancaster County Office of Aging

150 North Queen St. Suite 301

Lancaster, PA 17603

(717) 299-7979 or 800-801-3070

<http://www.co.lancaster.pa.us/lanco%5Faging/site/default.asp>
aging@co.lancaster.pa.us

- Contracts with MidPenn Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Information and referral unit or Marge (T, Th, Fri)
- Other cases referred to a lawyer (depending on legal issue) for a cost of \$5 for half-hour consultation; reduced rates usually offered if more time is needed.

MidPenn Legal Services

38 North Christian Street, Suite 200

Lancaster, PA 17602

(800) 732-0025 or (717) 299-0971

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes defense of Guardianship, protective services, powers of attorney and living wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Lancaster Bar Association LRS

28 East Orange Street

Lancaster, PA 17602

(717) 393-0737

<http://www.lancasterbar.org/community.cfm?dpage=lawref>

- Half-hour consultation beginning at \$35

Lancaster Mediation Center

225 West King Street

Lancaster, PA 17603

(717) 293-7231

info@lanamed.org

www.lanamed.org

- Business
- Community
- Elder Issues
- Family/divorce/custody
- Groups/organizations
- Health care
- Labor/management
- Landlord/tenant, real estate
- Religious
- Schools
- Small claims
- Special education
- Training

Lancaster Area Victim Offender Reconciliation Program - mediation

53 N. Duke, Room 303

Lancaster, PA 17602

(717) 397-2404

lavorp@lavorp.org

www.lavorp.org

- Community
- Victim-offender/corrections

Lancaster County Court Self Help Center

1st Floor, Lancaster County Courthouse

50 N. Duke St.

P.O. Box 83480

Lancaster, PA 17608

<http://www.co.lancaster.pa.us/prose/cwp/view.asp?a=855&q=548754>

- Provides one central location where self-represented litigants can obtain some of the information and forms that they may need to represent themselves in certain types of court actions. Neither the staff in the Center nor the staff in any Court office will be able to give you legal advice or help you fill out the forms.
- Monday, Thursday, Friday -- 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Tuesday, Wednesday -- 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Lawrence County

Lawrence County AAA

Shenley Square
2706 Mercer Road
New Castle, PA 16105
(724) 658-3729

<http://www.ccpgh.org/challenges.cfm>
lawcoage@ccpgh.org

- Contracts with Neighborhood Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: information and referral unit or Amy Servone (Deputy?)

Neighborhood Legal Services

125 E. North Street, Suite 329
Temple Building
New Castle, PA 16101
(724) 658-2677 or 866-761-6572

<http://www.nlsa.us>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Elder Law (includes elder abuse, living wills, health care planning, guardianship, and more – for details see: http://www.nlsa.us/legal_information/elder/elderly_law_brochure.htm)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF, Medical Assistance for children)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.
- Contact (FOR OUR USE ONLY): Claudia Bistyga (bistygac@nlsa.us)

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Lebanon County](#)

Lebanon County Area Agency on Aging

710 Maple Street, 2nd Floor

Lebanon, PA 17046

(717) 273-9262

<http://lebcounty.org/AAA/Pages/default.aspx>

- Contracts with Mid-Penn Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: Michael Kristovensky (Dir)

MidPenn Legal Services

513 Chestnut Street

Lebanon, PA 17046

(717) 274-2834

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Lebanon County Lawyer Referral Service

242 S. Eighth Street

Lebanon, PA 17042

PHONE: (717) 273-3113

FAX: (717) 273-3211

<http://www.lebanoncountybar.org/referral.html>

- Half-hour consultation based on attorney's hourly rate
- Also has Modest Means Program (as of 1/2009), providing flat fee in the following areas:
 - Family law
 - Landlord/tenant
 - Simple wills & POAs
 - Deed transfers
 - Unemployment compensation hearings before Referee
 - PFA (Plaintiff & defendant)
 - Chapter 7 Bankruptcy

Community Homes of Lebanon Valley, Inc.

Corporate Headquarters

1407 Oak Street

Lebanon, PA 17042

PHONE: (717) 273-1711 (800) 654-5984

FAX: (717) 273-1839

www.communityhomesonline.org

Section 8 - Assisted Housing: 62 yrs or older - income not to exceed \$13,400 (1 person) \$15,300 (2 persons)

Studio, 1 and 2 bedroom.

Lehigh County

Lehigh County Aging and Adult Services

Government Center
17 South 7th Street
Allentown, PA 18101
(610) 782-3200

<http://www.lehighcounty.org/Departments/HumanServices/AgingandAdultServices/tabid/56/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services for most non-fee generating cases
- Will pay consultation fee at Lehigh Bar LRS; many attorneys offer reduced rates for seniors for simple matters.
- Eligibility guidelines: none but handled on a case-by-case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: information and referral unit

North Penn Legal Services

65 East Elizabeth Avenue, Suite 903
Bethlehem, PA 18018
(610) 317-8757

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Program of Bar Association of Lehigh County

1114 W. Walnut Street

Allentown, PA 18102

(610) 433-7094

<http://www.lehighbar.org/LRS.html>

- Consultation - \$25

Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas

Online Self Help Center: <http://www.lccpa.org/selfhelp/>

Downloadable Court Forms: <http://www.lccpa.org/forms/listing.nex>

[Luzerne County](#)

Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne/Wyoming Counties

111 N. Pennsylvania Blvd.

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

(570) 822-1158 or (800) 252-1512

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

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Protective services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: intake unit
- Also has a contract with North Penn Legal Services

North Penn Legal Services

410 Bicentennial Buildings

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

(570) 825-8567

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Luzerne County LRS of Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Association

200 N. River St., Room 23

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711

(570) 822-6029

<http://www.wblawlibrary.org/services.html#refer>

- Half-hour consultation for \$10

[Lycoming County](#)

Lycoming/Clinton Bi-County Office of Aging – STEP, Inc.

P.O. Box 3156
2138 Lincoln Street
Williamsport, PA 17701
(570) 323-3096

http://www.p4a.org/lyc_clin.htm

- Contracts with a private attorney to do educational seminars and handle protective services, defense of guardianship, and other civil matters, e.g., housing and consumer
- Often can find local attorneys to do POAs for free or reduced fee.
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Fredrick Shrimp

North Penn Legal Services

329 Market Street
Williamsport, PA 17701
(570) 323-8741

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

- Legal issues handled include:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Education and Employment law issues
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and cases funded by grants with their own income requirements.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Lycoming Law Association Attorney Directory

- <http://www.lycolaw.org/directory/directory.asp>
- Can search by attorney name or practice area
- Many attorneys have web pages

Lycoming County Courts

- <http://www.lycolaw.org/court/court.htm>
- Includes local rules, various forms, filing instructions, administrative orders and announcements.

[McKean County](#)

Cameron/Elk/McKean County Offices of Human Services

20 Russell Blvd Suite 201
Bradford, PA, 16701
V- (814) 362-4316
OR:
17137 Route 6
PO Box 394
Smethport, PA 16749
V- (814) 887-5672
V- (800) 282-1688 (toll free)
www.ohsaging.com
ohs@ncentral.com

- Contracts with a private attorney in Elk Co. to provide legal services
- Contract covers range of civil issues but most referrals concern financial issues or powers of attorney. If attorney cannot handle the issue by phone, he tries to refer seniors who are not in his area to attorneys in their locale (for free or reduced rates).
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: William Orzechowski (Dir)

Northwestern Legal Services

100 Main Street
Bradford, PA 16701
(800) 665-6957
<http://www.nwls.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance,

employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.

- Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.
- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Mercer County](#)

Mercer County Area Agency on Aging

133 N. Pitt Street

Mercer, PA 16137

(800) 570-6222 or (724) 662-6222

<http://www.merlink.org/mcjac/mcaaa.htm> or <http://www.mercercountyaging.org/admin@mercercountyaging.org>

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Protective services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Ann Marie Spiardi

Northwestern Legal Services

1031 Roemer Blvd.

Farrell, PA 16121

(800) 665-6957

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.
 - Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile

home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.

- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Mercer County Lawyer Referral Service

P.O. BOX 1302

Hermitage, PA 16148

(724) 342-3111

<http://www.mcbar.net/>

- Does not have a set consultation fee agreement

[Mifflin County](#)

Mifflin-Juniata AAA

P.O. Box 750, 1 Buena Vista Circle

Lewistown, PA 17044

(800) 348-2277

mjaaa@acsworld.com

www.mjaaa.com

- Contracts with a private attorney for protective services & guardianship cases
- Also refers to local attorneys who handle cases for free or reduced fee
- Also refers to Mid-Penn
- Eligibility guidelines: none but on case-by-case basis those with the means to pay are asked to pay.
- Fees: none, but has \$5 consultation program
- Contact: Kathleen Graham

MidPenn Legal Services

3 West Monument Square, Suite 203

Lewistown, PA 17044

(800) 326-9177 or (717) 248-3099

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Monroe County](#)

Monroe County Area Agency on Aging

724B Phillips Street

Stroudsburg, PA 18360

(570) 420-3735 or (800) 498-0330

<http://www.co.monroe.pa.us/agencies/cwp/view.asp?a=1534&Q=606812&agenciesNav=|34264|mcaoa@ptd.net>

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services for wills, living wills, POAs
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: information and referral unit

North Penn Legal Services

10 N. 10th Street

Stroudsburg, PA 18360

(800) 532-8282 or (570) 424-5338

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Monroe County Lawyer Referral Service

913 Main Street

Stroudsburg, PA 18360

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

(570) 424-7288

- Half-hour consultation for \$25

Montgomery County

Montgomery County Aging and Adult

Human Services Center

1430 DeKalb Street

Norristown, PA 19404

(610) 278-3601

<http://mcaas.montcopa.org/mcaas/site/default.asp>

Or

Pottstown District Office

260 High Street

Pottstown, PA 19464

(610) 327-9203

Or

North Penn District Office

421 West Main Street

Lansdale, PA 19446

(215) 361-7931

Or

Lower Marion District Office

9 South Bryn Mawr Ave.

Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

(610) 527-7962

Or

Eastern Courthouse Annex

Suite 303, 102 York Road

Willow Grove, PA 19090

(215) 784-5413

- Contracts with Legal Aid of SE PA, which does clinics at senior centers AND does outreach in Lansdale on Wednesdays, 2:00 to 3:30 PM, and in Willow Grove on Thursdays, 2:00 to 3:30 PM
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: intake

Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania

317 Swede Street

Norristown, PA 19401

610-275-5400

Also

248 King Street

Pottstown, PA 19464

610-326-8280

Legal Helpline – 877-429-5994 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

www.lasp.org

- Legal issues handled:

- Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
- Elder Law (wills, powers of attorney, AHCD)
- Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
- Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
- Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney for seniors)
- Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and elder law.

Montgomery County LRS

100 W. Airy Street
Norristown, PA 19404
610-279-9660

<http://www.montgomerybar.org/public/lrs/index.php>

- Half-hour consultation for \$40

Community Impact Legal Services

1003 East Lincoln Highway
Coatesville, PA 19320
(800) 967-9150

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer
 - Housing

Legal Clinic for the Disabled, Inc.

1513 Race Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-587-3350

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes foreclosure)
 - Family (includes divorce, protection from abuse, custody and support)
 - Health (includes public and private health insurance claims and attendant care)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, and real estate title transfers)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney)
 - Public benefits (includes SSI, Social Security Disability, publicly funded transportation, income maintenance and food)
 - ADA and Fair Housing Act

- Special education
- Eligibility guidelines: 150% of the Federal Poverty Level

Montgomery County Community Action -- Food Stamp Outreach

610-277-6363

- Food stamp prescreening and application by phone. Also advocates on behalf of applicants at DPW.

Montgomery County Mediation Center

26 West Main Street
Norristown, PA 19401
(610) 277-8909

mcmcpeace@verizon.net

<http://www.montcommediation.com/>

- Business
- Community
- Elder issues
- Employment
- Family/divorce/custody
- Groups/organizations
- Health care
- Labor/management
- Real estate
- Religious schools
- Victim-offender/corrections

Montgomery County Courts

<http://www.courts.montcopa.org/courts/site/default.asp>

[Montour County](#)

Columbia-Montour Area Agency on Aging

702 Sawmill Road, Suite 201
Bloomsburg, PA 17815
(570) 784-9272 or 800-598-5001
<http://www.cmaaa15.org/>
info@cmaaa15.org

- Contracts with a private attorney for POAs and protective services
- For other issues: up to one hour consultation for free.
- Eligibility guidelines: none, but must not be able to afford an attorney
- Fees: none
- Contact: Kathi Lynn (Dir)

North Penn Legal Services

168 E. Fifth Street
Bloomsburg, PA 17815
(570) 784-8760
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Community Dispute Resolution of Bloomsburg

Joy E. McGinnis
P.O. Box 256
Berwick, PA 18603
(570) 752-8446
joyesq@hotmail.com

- Community
- Family/Divorce/Child Custody

- Groups/Organizations
- Landlord/Tenant
- Schools

[Northampton County](#)

Northampton County AAA

45 N Second Streets

Easton, PA 18042

(610) 559-3245

<http://www.northamptoncounty.org/northampton/cwp/view.asp?a=1528&q=620616>

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: John R. Mehler

North Penn Legal Services

65 East Elizabeth Avenue, Suite 800

Bethlehem, PA 18018

(610) 317-8757

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Northampton County Bar Association Attorney Referral and Information Service

155 S. 9th Street

Easton, PA 18042

(610) 258-6333

<http://www.norcobar.org/resources.htm>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Northumberland County](#)

Northumberland County AAA

322 North 2nd Street

Sunbury, PA 17801

(570) 495-2395

<http://www.northumberlandco.org/default.asp?ild=JMKDL>

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Income issues (includes social security and welfare)
 - Long term care
 - Abuse or neglect
 - Personal planning
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Age discrimination
 - Housing
 - Protective services
 - Utilities
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Information and assistance department

North Penn Legal Services

133 N. 2nd Street

Sunbury, PA 17801

(570) 286-5287

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Neysa C. Adams Pro Se Assistance and Mediation Clinic

Susquehanna University

Career Link Building

713 Bridge Street

Selinsgrove, PA 17870

570-374-5414 (during clinic hours: MWF 9 am – 1 pm, TTh 1 - 5 pm, First Sat. of each month, 10 am – 2 pm)

570-372-2784 (non-clinic hours)

<http://www.susqu.edu/academics/16036.asp>

adamsclinic@susqu.edu

Mailing Address:

604 University Ave.

Selinsgrove, PA 17870

- Provides forms and information about court procedures
- Free mediation program
- Pro bono program
- Lawyer referral program

[Perry County](#)

Perry County AAA

P.O. Box 725
1st Floor Rhinesmith Center Square
New Bloomfield, PA 17068
(717) 582-5128

<http://www.perrycounty.com/govlistpage.html#aginganchor>

- Contracts with MidPenn Legal Services for planning documents
- Will do house calls & visit facilities
- Has list of local elder law attorneys for estate & MA questions
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: information and assistance unit

MidPenn Legal Services

213-A North Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101
(800) 932-0356 or (717) 232-0581

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes powers of attorney and wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Philadelphia County

Philadelphia Corporation on Aging

642 N. Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19130
(215) 765-9040
<http://www.pcaphl.org/>

- Contracts with SeniorLAW Center, Community Legal Services Elderly Law Project, and Temple University Elderly Law Project
- Eligibility guidelines: 150% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: SeniorLAW Center, Community Legal Services or Temple University

SeniorLAW Center

100 S. Broad Street, Suite 1810
Philadelphia, PA 19110
(215) 988-1242
www.seniorlawcenter.org

- Legal issues handled:
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, home repair contractor problems, real estate taxes, code enforcement violations and property damage)
 - Consumer protection (includes financial exploitation, utilities, contracts and warranties, consumer fraud and debt collection)
 - Family matters (includes protection from abuse, custody, support and advocacy for grandparents raising grandchildren and other kinship caregivers)
 - Personal planning (includes wills, powers of attorney, living wills and probate of small estates)
- Priority is given to those with income below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level

Community Legal Services

3638 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19140
(215) 227-2400
Or
1424 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
(215) 981-3700
<http://www.clsphila.org>

- Legal issues handled:

- Consumer (includes bankruptcy, loans, collection, consumer scams, credit card debt, foreclosure, mortgages, predatory loans and utilities)
- Family (includes child custody and support, DHS, divorce and protection from abuse orders)
- Housing (including private and public landlord/tenant)
- Property Taxes
- Public benefits (includes SSI disability benefits, Food Stamps and welfare)
- Employment (includes unemployment compensation)
- Birth certificate amendments, name changes
- Community economic development
- Language access
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Elderly Law Project at Community Legal Services

- Legal issues handled:
 - Nursing home residents rights (includes boarding, personal care homes and hospitals)
 - Consumer problems (includes private insurance benefits, utility concerns, repair contracts, fraud and unfair sales practices)
 - Public benefits (includes nursing home grants, Social Security, SSI, Medicaid, healthy horizons, rent and tax rebates and PACE)
 - Medicare
 - Medical assistance estate recovery
 - Protection from abuse
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Philadelphia Legal Assistance

The Robinson Building
42 S. 15th Street, Suite 500
Philadelphia, PA 19102
(215) 981-3800
<http://www.philalegal.org>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy)
 - Family (includes divorce, child support and custody, protection from abuse orders)
 - Public benefits (includes welfare, Food Stamps and medical assistance)
 - Employment (includes unemployment compensation)

- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Temple University's Beasley School of Law

1719 N. Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19122

Temple Legal Aid Office

- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (includes custody/support, kinship and adoption)
 - Health (includes private insurance companies)
 - Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney)
 - Employment (includes discrimination)
 - Public benefits (as they relate to persons with chronic illness and physical disabilities)
- Eligibility guidelines: 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. Services may vary depending on time of year.
- Fees: none
- Contact: 215-204-1800

The Elderly Law Project

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer
 - Family (includes custody)
 - Public benefits (includes Social Security)
 - Health (includes Medicare)
 - Estate Planning
 - Real Estate
- Eligibility guidelines: 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. Services may vary depending on time of year.
- Fees: none
- Contact: 215-204-1465

Philadelphia County LRS

1101 Market Street, Floor 11
Philadelphia PA 19107
215-238-6333

<http://www.philadelphiabarlawyers.com>

- Half-Hour consultation for \$25

Legal Clinic for the Disabled, Inc.

1513 Race Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-587-3350

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes foreclosure)

- Family (includes divorce, protection from abuse, custody and support)
- Health (includes public and private health insurance claims and attendant care)
- Housing (includes landlord/tenant, and real estate title transfers)
- Estates (includes wills and powers of attorney)
- Public benefits (includes SSI, Social Security Disability, publicly funded transportation, income maintenance and food)
- ADA and Fair Housing Act
- Special education
- Eligibility guidelines: 150% of the Federal Poverty Level

Hunger Coalition – Food Stamp Hotline

215-430-0556

- Provide free confidential food stamp prescreening and application by phone. Also they can advocate on behalf of applicants at DPW.

Good Sheppard Mediation Program

5356 Chew Avenue

Philadelphia, PA 19138

(215) 843-5413

gsmmediation@phillymediators.org

www.phillymediators.org

- AIDS
- Community
- Employment
- Family/divorce/child custody
- Groups/organizations
- Landlord/tenant
- Schools
- Small claims
- Victim-offender/corrections

Villanova School of Law

299 North Spring Mill Road

Villanova, Pennsylvania 19085-1597

<http://www.law.villanova.edu/>

Civil Justice Clinic

- Legal issues handled:
 - Family (includes custody, support, defense in child abuse and neglect and paternity)
 - Social Security benefits
 - Housing (includes public and subsidized evictions and conditions issues)

- Eligibility guidelines: 200% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: (610) 519-6417

Federal Tax Clinic – SERVES ENTIRE STATE

- Legal issues handled:
 - Income tax returns being examined by the IRS
 - Tax collection problems
 - Tax cases pending before the US Tax Court
- Eligibility guidelines: 250% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: (610) 519-4123

Welcoming Center for New Pennsylvanians

1617 JFK Blvd, 13th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19103
215-557-2859 (Margaret Hilsdon)
www.welcomingcenter.org

- Free legal clinic for immigrants
 - Second Tuesday of every month
 - MUST register in advance by calling number above
 - Private consultation with an attorney

Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent (VIP)

42 South 15th Street, 4th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-523-9550
<http://www.phillyvip.org>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer litigation
 - Domestic relations
 - Estate planning (includes probate)
 - Immigration
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant and real estate)
 - Special education and school discipline
 - Tax
 - Tort defense
- **Must be referred by a legal services organization**
- **200% FPL**

Philadelphia Courts

<http://www.courts.state.pa.us/Index/Supreme/indexSupreme.asp>

Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas

<http://www.courts.state.pa.us/Index/CommonPleas/indexCommonPleas.asp>

CBAP – Consumer Bankruptcy Assistance Project

125% to 200% Poverty Level

Philadelphia residents only

Referral found in Saved

Philadelphia Bar Association Low Fee Program

150% to 250%

Philadelphia Residents only

Referral found in Saved

Bankruptcy, etc.

[Pike County](#)

Pike County AAA

150 Pike Co Blvd.
Hawley, PA 18428
(570) 775-5550

<http://www.pikeaaa.org>

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: information and referral unit

North Penn Legal Services

710 N. 10th Street
Stroudsburg, PA 18360
(800) 532-8282 or (570) 424-5338

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Potter County

Potter County AAA

62 North Streets

P.O. Box 241

Roulette, PA 16746

(814) 544-7315 (800) 800-2560

www.pottercountyhumansvcs.org/aging/aging.htm

dfoust@pottercountyhumansvcs.org

- Contracts with a solicitor for defense of guardianship & Protective Services only
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: information and referral department

Northwestern Legal Services

100 Main Street

Bradford, PA 16701

(800) 665-5957

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.
 - Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.

- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Schuykill County

Schuykill County Office of Senior Services

110 East Laurel Blvd.

Pottsville, PA 17901

(570) 622-3103

www.co.schuykill.pa.us/Offices/HumanServices/SeniorServices/SeniorServices.asp
seniorsvcs@hotmail.com

- Contracts with Mid Penn and a private attorney
- Eligibility guidelines: 100% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: on a sliding scale
- Contact: Information and Referral Department

MidPenn Legal Services

315 North Centre Street, Suite 201

Pottsville, PA 17901

(800) 299-6599 or (570) 628-3931

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Snyder County

Union/Snyder Counties AAA

116 North Second Street
Lewisburg, PA 17837
(570) 524-2100
www.usaaa17.org

- Does not have a contract with a legal services provider
- Can refer seniors to private attorneys who will provide services for a reduced fee
- Contact: Donna Hollenbach, Marilyn Smith or Sandy Richard

North Penn Legal Services

133 N. 2nd Street
Sunbury, PA 17801
(570) 286-5287
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Neysa C. Adams Pro Se Assistance and Mediation Clinic

Susquehanna University
Career Link Building
713 Bridge Street
Selinsgrove, PA 17870
570-374-5414 (during clinic hours: MWF 9 am – 1 pm, TTh 1 - 5 pm, First Sat. of each month, 10 am – 2 pm)
570-372-2784 (non-clinic hours)
<http://www.susqu.edu/academics/16036.asp>
adamsclinic@susqu.edu
Mailing Address:

604 University Ave.
Selinsgrove, PA 17870

- Provides forms and information about court procedures
- Free mediation program
- Pro bono program
- Lawyer referral program

Somerset County

AAA of Somerset County

1338 S. Edgewood Ave.
Somerset, PA 15501
(814) 443-2681 or 800-452-0825
www.somersetaaa.org

- Contracts with Southwestern PA Legal Services
- ALSO: Can provide a list of attorneys who have agreed to provide reduced fee or pro bono services to seniors in appropriate circumstances, to be determined by the attorney
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: Intake Department or Karen Ritchie

Southwestern PA Legal Services

218 N. Kimberly Ave, Suite 101
Somerset, PA 15501
(814) 443-4615
<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/swpls.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes debt collection and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing and foreclosure)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Social Security Disability, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF, WIC and LIHEAP)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Sullivan County](#)

Bradford/Sullivan/Susquehanna/Tioga County Senior Services

Sullivan County Courthouse

Laporte, PA 18626

(800) 982-4346

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

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services
- Covers most issues including simple wills & POAs
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: William Farley (ED)

North Penn Legal Services

Wyoming County Human Services Bldg.

Rte 295, P.O. Box 703

Tunkhannock, PA 18657

(570) 253-1031

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.
- Contact (FOR OUR USE ONLY): Michelle Livigne, mlivigne@northpennlegal.org

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Susquehanna County](#)

Bradford/Sullivan/Susquehanna/Tioga County Senior Services

35 Spruce Street, Suite 1
Montrose, PA 18801
(800) 982-4346 or 570-278-3751
<http://www.aaaseniors.org/>

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services
- Covers most issues including simple wills & POAs
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: William Farley (ED)

North Penn Legal Services

One Progress Plaze, Suite 11
Towanda, PA 18848
(570) 265-6237
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.
- Contact (FOR OUR USE ONLY): Michelle Livigne, mlivigne@northpennlegal.org

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Tioga County](#)

Bradford/Sullivan/Susquehanna/Tioga County Senior Services

48 Plaza Lane
Wellsboro, PA 16901
(800) 982-4346 or 570-723-0935
<http://www.aaaseniors.org/>

- Contracts with North Penn Legal Services
- Covers most issues including POAs but not wills
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: William Farley (ED)

North Penn Legal Services

340 B St James Complex
Mansfield, PA 16933
(800) 326-7436
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled include:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.
- Contact person (FOR OUR USE ONLY): Michelle Livigne, mlivigne@northpennlegal.org

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Union County](#)

Union/Snyder Counties AAA

116 North Second Street
Lewisburg, PA 17837
(570) 524-2100
www.usaaa17.org

- Does not have a contract with a legal services provider
- Can refer seniors to private attorneys who will provide services for a reduced fee
- Contact: Donna Hollenbach, Marilyn Smith or Sandy Richard

North Penn Legal Services

133 N. 2nd Street
Sunbury, PA 17801
(570) 286-5687
Intake: 877-953-4250, 9:30-11:30, 1:30-3:30 M, T, Th, F (AM only on F).
<http://www.northpennlegal.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse and some elder law.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807
<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Neysa C. Adams Pro Se Assistance and Mediation Clinic

Susquehanna University
Career Link Building
713 Bridge Street
Selinsgrove, PA 17870
570-374-5414 (during clinic hours: MWF 9 am – 1 pm, TTh 1 - 5 pm, First Sat. of each month, 10 am – 2 pm)
570-372-2784 (non-clinic hours)
<http://www.susqu.edu/academics/16036.asp>
adamsclinic@susqu.edu
Mailing Address:

604 University Ave.
Selinsgrove, PA 17870

- Provides forms and information about court procedures
- Free mediation program
- Pro bono program
- Lawyer referral program

[Venango County](#)

Venango County AAA

P.O. Box 1130, 1283 Liberty Street

Franklin, PA 16323

(866) 452-4464 or (814) 432-9711

www.co.venango.pa.us/aging

vcaaa@co.venango.pa.us

- Has a contract with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Abuse and neglect
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Protective services
- Also refers cases to county court house which administers a pro-bono program for other legal issues.
- Eligibility guidelines: must be low-income, on a case by case basis
- Fees: none
- Contact: Gary Dittman

Northwestern Legal Services

1243 Liberty Street, Suite 420

Franklin, PA 16323

(800) 665-6957

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.

- Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.
- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Warren County

Experience, Inc. Warren/Forest AAA

905 Fourth Avenue
PO Box 886
Warren, PA 16365
(800) 281-6545 or (814) 726-1700
[http://www.experienceinc.org/
experience@westpa.net](http://www.experienceinc.org/experience@westpa.net)

- Contracts with Northwest Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Farley Wright (Dir)

Northwestern Legal Services

Warr-Penn Building, Suite 407
213 Third Avenue, West
Warren, PA 16365
(800) 665-6957 or 814-452-6957
<http://www.nwls.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Wills, Living Wills and POAs: Generally available only to seniors with serious or terminal illness.
 - Consumer Debt and Utility Termination Issues: Advice by phone with representation in some cases.
 - Family: Protection From Abuse, petitioners only. Advice by phone, limited service or representation in some cases involving custody, support (petitioners only), divorce (plaintiffs only), adoption (uncontested), name changes, guardianships and emancipation.
 - Health Law: Representation in some cases involving Medical Assistance and Medicare denials/terminations or other disputes, access to medical and supportive care, denial of medical treatment and private medical insurance problems. Assistance in some cases concerning powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, living wills and wills.
 - Public Benefits: Representation if benefits denied, reduced or terminated for cash assistance, Food Stamps, energy assistance, employment related benefits, SSI disability, Social Security disability (terminations only), SSI or Social Security overpayments and other miscellaneous Social Security issues.
 - Housing: Advice by phone with representation in some cases for private and subsidized/public housing landlord/tenant issues. Advice by phone and representation in some cases for mobile home, mortgage foreclosure, property tax sale and land sale contract issues.

- Education: Advice by phone and representation in some cases involving enrollment, discipline and special education issues.
- Employment: Representation in unemployment and vocational rehabilitation compensation denials. Advice by phone for expungement to secure employment.
- Financial eligibility: 125-150% of the Federal Poverty Level, depending on expenses. No financial eligibility cut-off for protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Washington County

Southwestern PA AAA

150 West Beau Street
216 Plaza Building
Washington, PA 15301
724-228-7080

[http://www.swpa-aaa.org/
contact@swpa-aaa.org](http://www.swpa-aaa.org/contact@swpa-aaa.org)

- Legal services provided by an in-house legal team of 2 attorneys and a paralegal
- Handles most civil matters except fee-generating
- Also refers to LSC and has a good referral network for other issues.
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: Kathleen A. Gustine, Esq. or Kathryn Costantino (director)

Southwestern PA Legal Services

10 W. Cherry Avenue
Washington, PA 15301
(800) 846-0871 or (724) 225-6170

or

521 McKean Avenue
Donora, PA 15033
(724) 379-5131

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/swpls.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes debt collection and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing and foreclosure)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, Social Security Disability, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF, WIC and LIHEAP)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Equity Protection Legal Clinic

NeighborWorks® Western Pennsylvania. <http://www.nwwpa.org/>
710 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1000
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Phone: (412) 325-7848 X115
Fax: (412) 281-9987

- Transactional legal services for lower income homebuyers and homeowners throughout the Western Pennsylvania region, including:
 - Legacy preservation
 - Foreclosure prevention
 - Estate planning

Washington County Bar Association LRS

30 E. Beau St, Suite 523

Washington, PA 15301

(724) 225-6710

<http://www.washcobar.org/files/LRS%20Brochure.pdf>

- Half-hour consultation for \$25
- ALSO: Modest means program, as of 2009:
<http://www.washcobar.org/files/Middle%20Income%20Prog%20brochure%20for%20Public.pdf>

Wayne County

Wayne County AAA

323-10th Street
Honesdale, PA 18431
(570) 253-4262

<http://www.co.wayne.pa.us/?pageid=57>

- Contacts with North Penn Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: Lorna J. Fries

North Penn Legal Services

Wayne County Courthouse
Honesdale, PA 18431
(570) 253-1031

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[Westmoreland County](#)

Westmoreland County AAA

200 South Main Street
Greensburg, PA 15601
(724) 830-4444

aging@co.westmoreland.pa.us

www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/aging

- Contracts with Laurel Legal Services
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: Brian Dombroske

Laurel Legal Services

306 S. Pennsylvania Avenue
Greensburg, PA 15601
(800) 253-9558 or (724) 836-2211

<http://www.swplsconsortium.org/lis.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse, support, divorce and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

Equity Protection Legal Clinic

NeighborWorks® Western Pennsylvania. <http://www.nwwpa.org/>

710 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1000

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Phone: (412) 325-7848 X115 or 412-281-9773 x100

Fax: (412) 281-9987

www.nwwpa.org

- Transactional legal services for lower income homebuyers and homeowners throughout the Western Pennsylvania region, including:
 - Legacy preservation
 - Foreclosure prevention
 - Estate planning

Westmoreland County Bar Association LRS

129 N. Pennsylvania Ave.

Greensburg, PA 15601
877-438-5997 or 724-834-8490
http://lrs.westbar.org/about_lrs/referral.html

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

Pro Bono Program

218 South Maple Avenue, Suite 103
Greensburg, PA 15601
(724) 837-5539

<http://www.westbar.org/html/probono.html>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes debt collection defenses)
 - Family (includes uncontested divorces, custody)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant)
 - Employments (includes unemployment compensation)
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level

Westmoreland County Court of Common Pleas

Court Forms:

<http://www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/westmoreland/cwp/view.asp?a=1425&Q=611705&westmorelandNav=|&westmorelandNav=|33740|>

Wyoming County

Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne/Wyoming Counties

111 N. Pennsylvania Blvd.

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

(570) 822-1158

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

- Contracts with a private attorney to provide legal services
- Legal issues handled:
 - Defense of guardianship
 - Protective services
- Eligibility guidelines: none
- Fees: none
- Contact: intake unit
- Also has a contract with North Penn Legal Services

North Penn Legal Services

Robinson Building P.O. Box 703

Tunkhannock, PA 18657

(570) 836-5149

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

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except PFA

Lawyer Referral Service – use statewide number

(800) 692-7375 or (717) 238-6807

<http://www.pabar.org/public/membership/lrsblurb.asp>

- Half-hour consultation for \$30

[York County](#)

York County AAA

171 West Market Street
York, PA 17401
(717) 771-9610 or (800) 632-9073
<http://www.ycaaa.org/>
aging@york-county.org

- Contracts with MidPenn Legal Services for range of issues
- Eligibility guidelines: 125% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Fees: none
- Contact: intake unit

MidPenn Legal Services

256 East Market Street
York, PA 17403
(717) 848-3605
<http://www.midpenn.org/>

- Legal issues handled:
 - Consumer (includes bankruptcy, sheriff sales and repossession)
 - Family (includes domestic violence, protection from abuse and custody/visitation)
 - Housing (includes landlord/tenant, subsidized housing, foreclosure and public utilities)
 - Public benefits (includes Food Stamps, Social Security, unemployment compensation, SSI, general assistance, TANF)
 - Elder law (includes powers of attorney and wills)
- Financial eligibility is determined by income, assets and family size. Income limits are set at 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, except in cases of protection from abuse.

York County LRS

137 East Market Street
York, PA 17401
(717) 854-8755
<http://www.yorkbar.com/content.asp?ContentId=534>

- Half-hour consultation for \$50

Statewide Services in Alphabetical Order

AARP

Legal Services Network

866-330-0753

<http://www.aarplsn.com>

- Free 45-minute consultation and 20% off the attorney's usual rates.
- Membership preferred but not required.
- No special rates for wills or POAs.

Tax Aide Sites

888-227-7669

- Free preparation of state and federal taxes provided to AARP members.

AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania

1211 Chestnut Street, Suite 600

Philadelphia, PA 19107

215-587-9377

www.aidslawpa.org

- Legal issues handled:
 - Confidentiality and medical records privacy
 - Discrimination
 - Access to health care
 - Public benefits
 - Private insurance
 - Wills, living wills, and powers of attorney
 - Family law
 - Landlord/tenant
 - Debt management
 - Immigration
- Eligibility guidelines: none but services are for people living with HIV/AIDS and those affected by the AIDS epidemic
- Fees: none

APPRISE – A Service of Pennsylvania Department of Aging

800-783-7067

- Health insurance counseling and assistance program. Services are free and confidential.

Attorney General's Office

Strawberry Square

Harrisburg, PA 17120

www.attorneygeneral.gov

Bureau of Consumer Protection Hotline

800-441-2555

- Investigation of telemarketing scams or identity theft, fighting for civil rights, monitoring charitable organizations and protecting consumers from deceptive advertising or other unfair business practices

Elder Abuse Hotline

866-623-2137

- investigate and prosecute all forms of abuse of the elderly including financial exploitation, physical abuse and sexual assault

Benefits Checkup

www.benefitscheckup.org

- A prescreening tool which contains 1,550 public benefits to which seniors might be entitled.

Better Business Bureau

Northeast and Central PA

4099 Birney Ave.

Moosic, PA 18507

<http://www.nepa.bbb.org/>

570-342-5100

Western PA

300 Sixth Ave. Suite 100-UL

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

<http://www.pittsburgh.bbb.org/>

412-456-2700

Eastern PA

1608 Walnut Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

<http://www.easternpa.bbb.org/pn.html>

215-893-9313

CARIE LINE

100 North 17th Street, Suite 600

Philadelphia, PA 19103

215-545-5728

www.carie.org

- Telephone hotline which provides on-site dispute resolution and information to older persons through advocacy, education and action. Administers the Elderly Victim's Emergency Security Fund and also will provide court accompaniment and facilitate transportation to the Criminal Justice Center.
- Will help apply for medical assistance.

Consumer Credit Counseling Services

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(412) 365-0600

nsnow258@earthlink.net

www.mediationwp.org

- Business
- Community
- Elder issues
- Employment
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- Health care
- Labor/management
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Career Link Building

713 Bridge Street

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570-374-5414 (during clinic hours: MWF 9 am – 1 pm, TTh 1 - 5 pm, First Sat. of each month, 10 am – 2 pm)

570-372-2784 (non-clinic hours)

<http://www.susqu.edu/academics/16036.asp>

adamsclinic@susqu.edu

Mailing Address:

604 University Ave.

Selinsgrove, PA 17870

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717-787-2317

Or

808 Renaissance Building
101 State Street
Erie, PA 16501
814-871-4466

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1401 W. Spring Garden Street
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(Federal) Tax Clinic at Villanova School of Law

299 North Spring Mill Road
Villanova, Pennsylvania 19085-1597

<http://www.law.villanova.edu/>

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<http://www.puc.state.pa.us/utilitychoice/home.aspx>

- Penn Public Utility Commission Competition Hotline available for customers to call for information about selecting an electric supplier, gas supplier or competitive local telephone company.

Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program

701 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Suite 131
Washington, DC 20004
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<http://www.vetsprobono.org>

- Free pro bono attorneys to veterans and their qualifying family members who have an appeal pending at the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

Statewide Services by Subject

Consumer

Attorney General's Office

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Harrisburg, PA 17120

www.attorneygeneral.gov

Bureau of Consumer Protection Hotline

800-441-2555

- Investigation of telemarketing scams or identity theft, fighting for civil rights, monitoring charitable organizations and protecting consumers from deceptive advertising or other unfair business practices

Elder Abuse Hotline

866-623-2137

- investigate and prosecute all forms of abuse of the elderly including financial exploitation, physical abuse and sexual assault

Better Business Bureau

Northeast and Central PA

4099 Birney Ave.

Moosic, PA 18507

<http://www.nepa.bbb.org/>

570-342-5100

Western PA

300 Sixth Ave. Suite 100-UL

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

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Eastern PA

1608 Walnut Street

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Health

AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania

1211 Chestnut Street, Suite 600

Philadelphia, PA 19107

215-587-9377

www.aidslawpa.org

- Legal issues handled:
 - Confidentiality and medical records privacy
 - Discrimination
 - Access to health care
 - Public benefits
 - Private insurance
 - Wills, living wills, and powers of attorney
 - Family law
 - Landlord/tenant
 - Debt management
 - Immigration
- Eligibility guidelines: none but services are for people living with HIV/AIDS and those affected by the AIDS epidemic
- Fees: none

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888-227-7669

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Philadelphia area: 215-861-1304

Pittsburgh area: 412-395-5987

Toll-free: 877-777-4778

<http://www.irs.gov/advocate/>

- An independent organization within the IRS that helps taxpayers resolve problems with the IRS.

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