

Free & Low-Cost Legal Services in Utah

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Creating Access to Justice in Utah

- An overview of the civil legal aid and advocacy organizations in Utah
- Find a free legal clinic near you
- Find an organization that can help you with your civil legal problem

	Utah Legal Services	Disability Law Center	Legal Aid Society	Multi-Cultural Legal Center	DNA-Navajo Legal Services
Family Law (with Domestic Violence) Divorce Child Support Custody	✓ Outside Salt Lake County		✓ Salt Lake County Only	✓	✓
Family Law (no Domestic Violence)	✓ Clinics only		✓ Salt Lake County Only		
Employment Law Discrimination Wage Claims Unemployment Insurance	✓	✓		✓	✓
Public Benefits General Assistance Social Security Family Employment Program	✓	✓			✓
Housing Landlord/Tenant Evictions	✓	✓			✓
Disability Issues Discrimination Education		✓			
Consumer Law Collection Abuse Bankruptcy	✓				✓
Senior Citizens Medicare Medicaid Guardianships Estate Planning	✓				✓
Native American	✓	✓			✓
Immigration/ Refugees	✓			✓ **	

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Legal Aid Agencies

Utah Legal Services

For assistance, please call between 9:00 AM–2:00 PM.

Within Salt Lake County (801) 328-8891

Outside of Salt Lake County 800-662-4245

www.andjusticeforall.org/uls



Utah Legal Services seeks to protect the rights of the disadvantaged and persons of limited means by legal representation, advocacy, and education throughout Utah. ULS handles civil cases of households whose income is at or below 125% of federal poverty levels. There are no income requirements on protective orders or for Senior Citizens. ULS will answer questions, give advice, prepare legal documents, and represent clients in court. *ULS does not assist with criminal cases.* In general, Utah Legal Services handles the following types of legal problems:

Family Problems (in Salt Lake County, contact Legal Aid Society)

Child custody and divorce with abuse

Guardianships

Protective orders/abuse

Public Assistance

General Assistance

Medicaid

SSI & SSDI

FEP

Housing Problems

Public Housing

Landlord/Tenant

Lockouts & Repairs

Evictions

♦ Employment Law

- Discrimination

- Wage Claims

- Unemployment

- Insurance

♦ Consumer Protection

- Debt Collection

- Contract Disputes

- Lemon Laws/Car

- Warranties

♦ Senior Citizen Issues

- Medicare

- Estate Planning

Utah Legal Services holds free “pro se” legal clinics statewide where an attorney and volunteers will offer instruction, answer questions, and help complete legal documents for civil legal proceedings. See Page 5 for listings. Due to schedule changes, the most current list can be found at www.andjusticeforall.org/uls.

Disability Law Center

800-662-9080 (voice) or 800-550-4182 (TTY)

www.disabilitylawcenter.org



The Disability Law Center is Utah's federally mandated Protection and Advocacy agency established in 1978 and serves clients with disabilities statewide. Any individual with a legal issue related to a disability is eligible for the services of the Disability Law Center, no matter his/her ability to pay. They provide information, referral, self-advocacy training and technical assistance state-wide in the following areas:

Abuse and Neglect

Fighting abuse and neglect of people with disabilities in the state's long-term care and community-based facilities.

Access and Rights

Fighting discrimination in housing, transportation, private business and public services.

Assistive Technology

Ensuring access to technology to help people with disabilities stay healthy, receive an education and succeed on the job.

Community Services

Ensuring full inclusion for Utahns with mental illness and developmental disabilities.

Education

Ensuring free and appropriate public education for children with disabilities.

Employment

Ensuring access to services and programs that can help individuals seek and retain employment including Vocational Rehabilitation and Independent Living.

Institutions

Fighting abuse and neglect in Utah institutions and ensuring that appropriate accommodations and mental health services are provided.

Short-Term Assistance

Provides self-advocacy support and short-term and immediate assistance to clients.

Legal Aid Agencies

Legal Aid Society of Salt Lake

(801) 328-8849

www.legalaidsocietyofsaltlake.org

A private non-profit organization that provides legal representation to individuals with family law cases and those who need protective orders in Salt Lake County.

Domestic Violence Program (No fees)

Protective Orders

Civil Stalking Injunctions

Domestic Relations Programs (Sliding fee scale)

Divorce

Custody

Adult Guardianships

Self-Represented Family Law Clinic (see page 5 for more information)



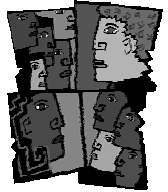
Multi-Cultural Legal Center

(801) 486-1183

A statewide legal service organization dedicated to strengthening Utah's system of justice to ensure that racial and ethnic communities receive equal representation and treatment.

Domestic violence victims with immigration issues

Screen wage claim cases for private attorney referral



DNA– Navajo Legal Services

(435) 739-4380

www.dnalegalservices.org

Provides free legal services to qualified low-income residents on and near the Navajo Nation. Eligibility is based upon federal poverty guidelines. DNA's services help nearly 4,000 people each year to secure and sustain basic needs such as:

Safe housing

Employment

Public Benefits

- Domestic relations

- Health Care

- Consumer Fraud

Legal Aid Programs—Other Non-Profits

After residing in the United States for one year, refugees are eligible to apply for permanent residence and after five years they can apply for citizenship. To assist refugees in this process, all three agencies on this page provide legal services to refugees and immigrants concerning:

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| Visas | • Work Permits |
| Political or religious asylum | • Adjustment of status |
| Naturalization | • Acquisition of green cards |
| Filing documents | • Petitions |
| Translation & | • Family reunifications |

interpretation services

Catholic Community Services

(801) 977-9119

www.ccsutah.org



CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
SERVICES

Catholic Community Services assists immigrants seeking assistance with eligibility and legal services for problems concerning visas, political or religious asylum, naturalization or filing documents. CCS also provides support for victims of domestic violence and the homeless.

Holy Cross Ministries

(801) 261-3440

www.holycrossministries.org

Holy Cross Ministries provides immigration legal assistance to anyone, regardless of religion, race or ethnicity. Holy Cross Ministries also assists victims of domestic violence who are trying to file for legal status and provides immigration clinics and consultations in Wendover, Ephraim, Midvale, Salt Lake City, and Logan.

International Rescue Committee

(801) 328-1091

www.theirc.org/saltlakecity

The International Rescue Committee has an immigration program designed to educate refugees on immigration policy. Through this program refugees can find answers to general questions on work eligibility, citizenship, permits to travel abroad, and federal document preparation and replacement.

Free Legal Clinics

It is strongly recommended that you call prior to attending any of the clinics to verify they are being held that day. Many clinics will not be held on Legal Holidays and occasionally must be rescheduled.

All Utah Legal Services Clinics are “Pro se” clinics which means “without an attorney.” At these clinics, an attorney and volunteers will offer instruction, answer questions, and help complete legal documents for civil legal proceedings. Due to various schedule changes, the most current list can be found at www.andjusticeforall.org/uls.

Salt Lake County

Tuesday Night Bar

Date: Every Tuesday Night

Time: 5:30 PM–7:00 PM

Appointments: Call (801) 297-7037 on Mondays, 1:00 - 5:00 PM. Appointments are scheduled eight days in advance; no walk-ins accepted.

Location: Utah Law & Justice Center, 645 S 200 E, Salt Lake City

Services Provided: Individuals can meet with a volunteer attorney for a 30-minute consultation. The purpose is to assist the public in

determining their legal rights.

Self-Represented Family Law Litigant Clinic

Date: Monday–Friday

Time: 8:00 AM–5:00 PM

Appointments: No appointment necessary. Call (801) 238-7170 for schedule changes.

Location: Matheson Courthouse, 450 S State St., Rm. W-15, Salt Lake City

Services Provided: *Family law matters only.* Staffed by Legal Aid Society paralegals experienced in domestic law who provide legal forms and help fill them out. *No legal advice is given.*

Family Law Clinic

Date: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month

Time: 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Phone: (801) 924-3370

Appointments: No appointment necessary, but please arrive promptly at 6:00 PM.

Location: Matheson Courthouse, 450 S State St, Rm. W-19, Salt Lake City

Services Provided: Answers to most general legal questions regarding divorce, child custody, and child support. Learn where and when to file papers, how to fill out your paperwork and which documents are needed to proceed.



Free Legal Clinics

Utah Legal Services

Spanish speaking only

Date: 1st Thursday of each month

Time: Call Todd between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM to schedule an appointment.

Phone: (801) 259-1471

Location: Community Legal Center, 205 N 400 W, Salt Lake City

Clinic for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Date: 3rd Wednesday of each month

Time: By appointment only. Please call (801) 263-4861 to schedule.

Location: Robert G. Sanderson Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, 5709 S 1500 W, Salt Lake City

Downtown Salt Lake City Clinics:

Assists low-income households with a variety of issues including filling out small claims and wage forms to legal consultations on a variety of subjects.

Guadalupe School, 340 S 1040 W
Spanish Speaker Available

Tuesday nights 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

St. Vincent's de Paul Center,
427 W 200 S, (801) 363-7710 ext. 114

Thursdays from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Fourth Street Viaduct, 500 South

between 600 and 700 West
Sundays 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Senior Legal Clinics:

The Utah State Bar Association's Law & Aging Committee coordinates volunteer attorneys to answer questions and provide services to those 60 or over at Salt Lake County senior centers. Call you local senior center for more information.

Beaver County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 4th Thursday of each month

Time: 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Appointments: Call 800-662-4245 ext. 3611 between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM to schedule.

Location: Fifth District Court, 2160 S 600 W, Beaver

Box Elder County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 3rd Friday of each month

Time: 1:30 PM–4:00 PM

Phone: (801) 394-9431 x. 3004, by Appointment Only

Location: First District Court, 43 N Main Street, Brigham City

Box Elder Bar Association

Date: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month

Free Legal Clinics

Time: 6:30 PM–8:00 PM, No appointment necessary, first come first served.

Phone: (435) 723-5600

Location: Your Community in Unity, 435 E 700 S, Brigham City

Cache County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month

Time: 1:30 PM–3:30 PM

Phone: (435) 750-1300

Location: First District Court, 135 N 100 W, Logan

Carbon County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd & 4th Monday of each month

Time: 11:00 AM–2:00 PM

Phone: (435) 636-3400

Location: Seventh District Court, 149 E 100 S, Price

Davis/Morgan Counties

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month

Time: 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Phone: (801) 447-3800

Location: Second District Court, 800 W State St, Farmington

Spanish Speaker available.

Family Law Clinic

Date: Every Monday

Time: 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Phone: (801) 447-3800

Location: Second District Courthouse, 800 W State St, Farmington

Services Provided: *Family Law matters only.*

Mountain View Legal Clinic

Date: 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, no clinic in July or August.

Time: Begins at 6:00 PM

Appointments: Call (801) 771-3204 to make an appointment.

Location: Mountain View Baptist Church, 2585 E 3000 N, Layton. No religious affiliation required. Limited appointments available.

Duchesne County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: Once a month on the Wednesday following the 2nd Tuesday

Time: 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Phone: (435) 722-4296

Location: Senior Center, 50 E 200 S, Roosevelt

Grand County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd Monday of each month

Time: 5:00 PM–7:00 PM

Phone: (435) 259-2229

Location: Seek Haven Resource Center, 81 N 300 E, Moab

Free Legal Clinics

Iron County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 4th Wednesday of each month

Time: 2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Phone: (435) 867-3250

Location: Fifth District Court, 40 N 100 E, Cedar City

Juab County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd Wednesday of each month

Time: 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Phone: (435) 623-0901

Location: Fourth District Court, 160 N Main, Nephi

Millard County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 3rd Thursday of each month

Time: 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Phone: (435) 743-6223

Location: Fourth District Court, 765 S Highway 99, Fillmore

Sanpete County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd Wednesday of each month

Time: 10:00 AM–12:00 PM Noon

Phone: (435) 835-2131

Location: Sixth District Court, 160 N Main, Manti

Sevier County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 4th Wednesday of each month

Time: 10:00 AM–1:00 PM

Phone: (435) 896-2700

Location: Sixth District Court, 895 E 300 N, Richfield

Summit County

Park City Bar Association

Date: 1st Tuesday of each month

Time: 6:00 PM–8:00 PM, No appointment necessary

Phone: Michael Katz (801) 266-0999

Location: Park City Miner's Hospital, 1354 Park Avenue, Park City

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd Wednesday of each month

Time: 9:00 AM–12:00 PM Noon

Phone: (435) 615-3810

Location: Silver Summit Justice Center, 6300 N Silver Creek Dr, Park City

Small Claims Court Mediation

Date: Held twice monthly during small claims court.

Phone: For details, call Jane Campbell at (435) 615-6807 or the Summit County Court Clerk at (435) 615-4300.

Location: Silver Summit Justice

Free Legal Clinics

Center, 6300 N Silver Creek Dr,
Park City

Services Provided: Free mediation services offered through trained volunteer mediators.

Tooele County

Tooele Senior Clinic

Date: 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month

Time: 9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Appointments: Please call (435) 882-2870 for an appointment.

Location: Tooele Senior Center, 59 E Vine Street, Tooele

Services Provided to Senior Citizens only.

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Monday

Time: 10:00 AM–12:00 PM Noon

Phone: (435) 843-3210

Location: Third District Court, 47 S Main, Tooele

Spanish speaker available.

Uintah County

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd Thursday of each month

Time: 9:00 AM–Noon or 1:00

PM–4:00 PM, depending on court calendar

Phone: Call for times of clinic, (435) 781-9300

Location: Eighth District Court,

920 E Highway 40, Vernal

Utah County

Community Law Help for Immigrants

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 2:30 PM–6:00 PM

Phone: (801) 655-0258

Location: Centro Hispano, 819 S 200 W, Provo

Central Utah Bar Association

Date: Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month, August through April

Time: 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Appointments: By appointment only, to schedule call (801) 422-3025.

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month

Time: 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Phone: (801) 429-1000

Location: Fourth District Court, 125 N 100 W, Provo

Utah Legal Services Clinic—

Spanish speaker emphasis, but all are welcome.

Date: 1st Monday of each month

Time: 5:00 PM–7:00 PM

Phone: (801) 374-6766

Location: Utah Legal Services, 455 N University Ave, Ste 100, Provo

Small Claims Mediation

Free Legal Clinics

Free mediation offered during small claims court in Utah County by trained volunteer mediators in collaboration with BYU's Law School. Call (801) 422-2159 for more information.

Washington County

Southern Utah Bar Association

Date: Every Tuesday of the month

Time: 5:00 PM–7:00 PM

Appointments: By appointment only, to schedule call (435) 628-1604

Location: Southern Utah Community Legal Center, 229 East St. George Blvd, Ste. 103
Services Provided: Free 20-minute consultations

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: Every 4th Wednesday of each month

Time: 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Phone: (435) 628-1604

Location: Southern Utah Community Legal Center, 229 East St. George Blvd, Ste. 103

Weber County

Weber County Bar Association

Date: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month

Time: Begins at 5:00 PM

Appointments: Must call (801) 394-9456 the week prior to

schedule

Location: Your Community Connection, 2261 Adams Ave, Ogden

Utah Legal Services Clinic

Date: 2nd & 4th Monday of each month

Time: 1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Phone: (801) 395-1079

Location: Second District Court, 2525 Grant Avenue, Ogden

Christian Legal Society Clinic

Date: 2nd Thursday of each month

Time: Clinic begins at 6:00 PM

Appointments: Call: (801) 479-7030 (no walk-ins)

Location: Washington Heights Baptist Church, 1770 E 6200 S, Ogden

Services Provided: Clients signed up for the clinic will receive a free 30 minute consultation about their legal questions. Attorneys will not represent the clients' in court matters, but only provide legal advice to guide clients in resolving their legal matters.

Alternatives to Court

Alternative Dispute Resolution

(801) 578-3982

www.utcourts.gov/mediation

kathye@email.utcourts.gov

The Court-Annexed ADR (Alternative Dispute Resolution) Program adds new options to the traditional litigation services offered by the judicial system, giving Utah citizens a full spectrum of choices for resolving civil disputes.

Utah Dispute Resolution

Main Office:

645 S 200 E

Salt Lake City, UT

(877) 697-7175 or (801) 532-4841

www.utahdisputeresolution.org

Northern Utah Office:

942 Chambers Street, Ste. 14

Ogden, UT

(801) 479-0800

info@utahdisputeresolution.org

A private, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, dedicated to providing mediation services and training on conflict resolution to residents in Utah. UDR uses trained, qualified volunteer mediators to provide services.

Utah Dispute Resolution exists to provide mediation and conflict resolution services to low- and middle-income Utahns with financial need. Fees are based on a sliding scale that takes into account income, family size, and/or amount of money in dispute. In many cases, there is no charge for mediation services. UDR works with the Courts and Utah Legal Services to provide free small claims mediation services. See website for specific program areas to learn more about the UDR fee structure.



Government Agencies

Utah Online Court Assistance Program (OCAP)

www.utcourts.gov/ocap

The official State of Utah website for assistance in preparing court documents if you are not able to have an attorney draft them for you. You may use this program for **free**. If you file documents created by the program with the court, a \$20.00 fee in addition to any court filing fees will be charged at that time. Documents can be prepared online for the following types of issues:

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| Divorce | • Divorce Stipulation |
| Guardianship of a minor | • Paternity |
| Protective orders | • Civil Stalking |
| Landlord tenant | |

Utah State Court Online Forms

www.utcourts.gov/resources/forms

Other commonly used legal forms as well as court instructions can be found on this website provided by the Courts, including:

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| Adoption | • Child Custody/Support |
| Emancipation of a Minor | • Mediation Services |

Utah Law Library

Matheson Courthouse

450 S State St, First Floor, Rm W-13

Salt Lake City, UT

www.utcourts.gov/lawlibrary

Monday–Friday

8:00 AM–5:00 PM

(801) 238-7990

library@email.utcourts.gov

The Utah State Law Library serves the legal information needs of Utah's courts, executive agencies, legislature, attorneys, and the public. The library is open to the public, and while the collection is located in Salt Lake City, library services are available to people throughout the state. Weber County also has a law library, located in the main branch. No legal advice is given, but staff can assist in finding the laws and needed information.

Weber County Library

2464 Jefferson Ave

Ogden, UT

(801) 337-2645

Monday–Thursday

10:00 AM–9:00 PM

Friday–Saturday

10:00 AM–6:00 PM

Government Agencies

Utah Division of Aging & Adult Services

www.hsdaas.utah.gov

The Legal Services Developer
(801) 538-4641

Toll Free: (877) 424-4640

The Legal Services Developer with the Utah Division of Aging & Adult Services is an attorney who can answer basic legal questions and help with referrals to Utah Legal Services and other attorneys. The Division coordinates with local Aging Agencies around the state who provide services to seniors to provide a full spectrum of needed services, including legal aid. The website has forms for do-it-yourself living wills and power of attorney as well as a legal services information booklet.

Attorney General's Office

(800)AG4-INFO

www.attorneygeneral.utah.gov

The Utah Attorney General's Office upholds the constitutions of the United States and of Utah, enforces the law, provides counsel to state agencies and public officials, assists law enforcement, and protects the interests of the state, its people, environment and resources.

Utah Anti-Discrimination & Labor Division

(800) 222-1238

www.laborcommission.utah.gov

The Utah Anti-Discrimination & Labor Division investigates and resolves employment and housing discrimination complaints; enforces Utah's minimum wage, wage payment requirements, laws which protect youth in employment; and the requires that private employment agencies be licensed. The Division handles complaints about these issues and can inform you of your rights but no legal advice is given.

Utah Division of Consumer Protection

(800) 721-SAFE

www.consumerprotection.utah.gov

The Division of Consumer Protection responds to consumer complaints, unfair and deceptive business practices, and provide consumer education. The Division does not give legal advice but does handle complaints and helps citizens understand their rights with these issues:

Collection Agencies
Businesses

- Identity Theft
- Do Not Call/Fax Lists

AARP of Utah

888-687-2277 FOR AARP MEMBERS ONLY

www.aarp.org

AARP offers free consultations with an attorney for up to 30 minutes either by phone or in person. There is no requirement to retain the attorney after the first 30 minutes but if the consultation lasts longer, a fee may be charged. These attorneys are not employees of AARP but have been screened to meet Legal Services Network standards.

AARP Legal Advocacy defends and expands the rights of older Americans. It addresses legal issues that affect the daily lives of older persons, such as health and long term care; consumer protection including predatory lending, age and disability discrimination in employment; pensions and other retiree benefits.

ACLU of Utah

(801) 521-9862

www.acluutah.org

The ACLU of Utah is the Utah affiliate of the national ACLU. Chartered in 1958 and located in Salt Lake City, the ACLU of Utah operates with the help of a dedicated staff of two full-time and four part-time employees. Through public education, legal advocacy, litigation, and lobbying at both the state and local levels, the ACLU of Utah seeks to protect the constitutional rights of all Utahns. Some issues the ACLU handles are as follows:

Equal Protection
Open Government

55 North 300 West
Salt Lake City, UT

- Privacy
- Voting Rights & Elections

Crossroads Urban Center

(801) 364-7765

www.crossroads-u-c.org

Crossroads is a multipurpose nonprofit, grassroots organization. They help to organize low-income, disabled, and minority Utahns to be advocates on their own behalf in addressing essential issues affecting the quality of their lives. They also provide direct services to help meet basic survival needs with food, clothing, and other essentials.

347 South 400 East
Salt Lake City, UT

Advocacy Groups

Disability Law Center

800-662-9080 (voice) or

800-550-4182 (TTY)

www.disabilitylawcenter.org

Designated as the state's protection and advocacy organization for people with disabilities, the Disability Law Center (DLC) provides direct legal support to people with disabilities, as well as advocacy in the following areas:

- Education on disability laws and related rights

- Mediation and negotiation

- Presentations and outreach

- Legal and public policy advocacy

- Self-advocacy support and training

Salt Lake Community Action Program

(801) 359-2444

www.slcap.org

A non-profit organization that provides a range of services aimed at helping low-income people become self-sufficient. They provide direct services dealing with early childhood education, housing and utility assistance, emergency food pantries, and employment assistance. Salt Lake CAP also provides a landlord-tenant mediation program to prevent eviction in collaboration with the State Court System. For information concerning this mediation program, please call Josie Turner at (801) 359-2444 ext. 225.

Utah Community Action Partnership Association

(801) 433-3025

www.utahcap.org

Works with and on behalf of Utah's nine local community action agencies to address the causes and effects of poverty in Utah. The model of community action brings together low-income individuals with public and private sector partners to identify local priorities and strategies for achieving measurable improvements in lives and communities.

205 North 400 West

Salt Lake City, UT

764 South 200 West

Salt Lake City, UT

230 South 500 West, Ste 260

Salt Lake City, UT

Advocacy Groups

Voices for Utah Children
(801) 364-1182

747 East South Temple, Ste 100
Salt Lake City, UT

www.utahchildren.org

The only statewide, multi-issue child advocacy organization that speaks out on behalf of children. A credible, nonpartisan, and forceful voice for children and families. For more than twenty years, Voices for Utah Children has improved children's lives by combining policy expertise with the power of strategic communications and advocacy to achieve real results.

Misc. Services

Salt Lake Peer Court Program

(801) 322-1802

www.saltlakepeercourt.org

Salt Lake Peer Court offers an alternative approach to juvenile justice in which youth referred for minor offenses are sentenced by a jury of their peers. Peer Court employs a restorative justice-based approach that applies the skills and abilities of Salt Lake City high school students to provide positive peer influence, hold youth accountable for their actions, and strengthen their ties to school and community. As a prevention program, Peer Court deals with early and persistent antisocial behavior of youth who might not otherwise be held accountable for their actions.

University of Utah Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC)

801.581-7221

<http://org.business.utah.edu/litc/>

The Utah LITC provides FREE tax assistance to low-income taxpayers, evaluated on a person-by-person basis.

The Utah LITC Management Team consists of a Program Director, experienced tax faculty, and University of Utah Business Students. We offer assistance to low income taxpayers in the greater Salt Lake area.

J. Reuben Clark Society

Pro bono attorneys assist low-income individuals with legal problems and give legal advice. See your church leader for more information. No religious affiliation required.

Glossary/Definition of Terms

Advocacy: Supporting a cause or proposal.

Civil Stalking: A credible threat to another person and, in connection with the threat, repeatedly following that person or repeatedly making any form of communication with that person or a member of that person's immediate family, whether or not a conversation occurs.

Consumer Law: Collection abuse, bankruptcy, faulty goods or services, credit discrimination, excessive interest.

Dispute Resolution: A method of resolving disputes outside the traditional legal and court system. Mediation is the most common form of dispute resolution.

Domestic Violence: Harm or threat of harm by an individual against a cohabitant (spouse, former spouse, have a child together, lived in same residence, related by blood or marriage).

Estate Planning: The process of planning the transfer of all personal assets at death to chosen beneficiaries.

Family Law: Divorce, paternity, custody, and guardianships.

Guardian Ad Litem: A special guardian appointed by the court to represent a child in cases involving parental neglect, abuse or abandonment.

Guardian or Guardianship: When the court appoints someone to care for a child or other person who cannot care for himself or herself.

Injunction: Judge's order to do or to refrain from doing a specified thing. For example, a court might issue an injunction ordering a landlord to restore heat to a tenant's apartment even though the tenant's rent is overdue.

Litigant: A person involved in a lawsuit, usually referred to as a "party" to the lawsuit. A party can be either the plaintiff or defendant.

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Living Will: Also known as a healthcare directive, a living will is a document that goes into effect while you are still alive. It declares that you do not want to be kept alive by artificial life support systems. A living will usually becomes effective when your condition is hopeless and you have no reasonable chance of recovery to a life you consider meaningful.

Mediation: Informal alternative to suing in which both sides to a dispute meet with a neutral third party (mediator) to negotiate a resolution. The resolution is usually put into a written agreement that is signed by both sides.

Pro Se: A Latin phrase meaning "for himself" or "in one's own behalf." This term denotes a person who represents herself in court. Also called Self-Represented.

Protective Order: A civil court order that keeps an abuser from harming or contacting a victim of domestic violence including not going to the home, work, school etc.

Will: A document in which you specify what is to be done with property owned only by oneself when at death and to name an executor. A will can also name a guardian for minor, dependent children.

Important Phone Numbers

Aging Services' Legal Developer	877-424-4640
Bankruptcy Hotline	(801) 374-6766 ext. 3446
Consumer Complaints	800-721-SAFE
Disability Law Center	
(voicemail)	800-662-9080
(TTY)	800-550-4182
Domestic Violence Hotline	800-897-LINK
Employment Discrimination	800-222-1238
Housing Discrimination	800-222-1238
Information & Referral	211
Legal Aid Society of Salt Lake	(801) 328-8849
Utah Legal Services	
SL County	(801) 328-8891
Outside SL County	800-662-4245



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