



UTAH LEGAL SERVICES



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INVESTIGATION/REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT

This is an agreement between you and Utah Legal Services. Please read it carefully. It explains both your rights and your responsibilities as a potential client, and if your case is accepted, as a Utah Legal Services client. If you have questions or concerns about this agreement, please discuss them with us before signing. Thank you.

I, (your name): _____, request and authorize Utah Legal Services (ULS) to represent me in the following matter: _____

I understand and agree that:

Paragraphs 1 - 4 apply to me, right now, as a potential client:

1. Upon receipt of this form and other necessary paperwork, ULS staff will consider whether to accept my case and will notify me of their decision. I will assist by providing paperwork and other information to ULS when requested. I understand that ULS might not be able to help me.
2. ULS is investigating my case and has not yet agreed to accept it. I am responsible for meeting any deadlines with regard to my legal problem during the investigation, including filing documents, or filing for hearings or appeals.
3. I have the right to file a complaint if ULS decides not to handle my case or if I feel I am not being properly represented. The persons I can contact to complain are the local office managing attorney and the "task force chair". The names and direct extensions of these people will be provided to me upon my request at the local office or any legal services telephone number.
4. ULS may refer my case to Utah Dispute Resolution for mediation and/or the Utah State Bar which will try to find a private volunteer attorney to handle my legal problem without charge to me. ULS may give any information it has about my case to Utah Dispute Resolution and/or the Utah State Bar and/or a private attorney who is considering representing me.

The paragraphs below, in addition to those above, apply if ULS agrees to represent me and I become a Utah Legal Services client:

5. I will cooperate fully with my advocate. I will keep appointments and attend all court hearings.

