

How Legal Aid Can Help Veterans and Others Who Served in the Military



Money

- Were you denied a benefit or terminated from a benefit (VA, Food Stamps, SSI, Unemployment, or Cash Assistance)?
- Do you have an overpayment for a benefit (VA, Food Stamps, SSI, Unemployment, or Cash Assistance)?
- Are you being sued for a debt?
- Do you need help filing for bankruptcy?
- Do you have a problem with the IRS about your federal taxes?
- Do you have an issue with a loan (student, car, payday)?



Housing

- Has a public housing authority terminated your housing or denied you housing?
- Is your landlord refusing to make repairs?
- Did your landlord turn off a utility or lock you out?
- Are you being evicted?
- Do you need help with a foreclosure?



Family

- Are you afraid for your safety or your children's safety?
- Do you want to file a civil protection order?
- Does your child have problems in school with learning or with behavior?
- Do you need help becoming a US citizen?



Health

- Do you have an issue with VA medical benefits, Medicare, or Medicaid?
- Do you need help with a living will or a healthcare power of attorney?
- Are you struggling with nursing home or medical debt?



Work

- Do you have a criminal record that prevents you from getting a job?
- Have you been discriminated against by your employer?
- Do you need your driver's license reinstated to work?
- Did your employer not pay you wages you earned?
- Do you need help starting a small business?

If YES, contact The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland for help (see reverse for details). When you contact Legal Aid, remember:

- You will have to provide information to determine your eligibility for services;
- You will have to provide copies of any relevant papers;
- Legal Aid may send you papers to sign and return before they can help you; and
- Legal Aid will try to offer information and assistance whenever possible.



How to connect with Legal Aid:

Legal Aid welcomes applications from veterans living in Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, and Lorain Counties who have household income below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Applicants will need to provide basic information about their household, their income and assets, and the nature of their legal problem. (Note: Legal Aid cannot assist with criminal matters).

For additional information on various legal topics, visit Legal Aid's website - *lasclev.org*. Click "Services & Resources" then "Legal Resources" to view resources by topic.



Online

Apply for help online anytime.

Visit Legal Aid's website - *lasclev.org* - then click "Apply for Help."

At the end of the form, schedule a convenient call back time to complete your application with an intake specialist.



By Phone

Call toll free: 888.817.3777 (interpreters provided).

If you have a communication limitation, dial 711.

Phone lines open: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 am – 4 pm, and Thursday, 9 am – 2 pm



In the Community

Attend any Brief Legal Advice Clinic.

See our calendar for upcoming clinic dates and locations. Visit *lasclev.org*, click "Events" then "Clinics." After a short intake interview, speak with an attorney about any civil legal problem for brief advice and counsel.



Walk In

Cleveland: Monday – Friday, 9 am – 5 pm, 1223 West 6th Street

Elyria: Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am – 5 pm, 1530 West River Road North, Suite 301

Jefferson: Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am – 5 pm, 121 East Walnut Street



With a Referral

If you already work with any of the following groups, they can help refer you to Legal Aid.

- Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)
- Veteran Treatment Court
- Veteran Service Commission