

Community Legal Assistance Options

Names indicated on the list are for informational purposes only.

* *Hablamos español*

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| California Western Legal Clinics | Contact Information | Notes |
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| Access to Law Initiative* | 619-752-4443 www.cwsl.edu/ali | Free or low-cost legal services to the community. Provides free initial consultations with solo practitioners . Practice areas include: Estate planning, real estate, criminal law, family law, consumer & debtor rights, civil litigation; business law and litigation, bankruptcy; employment law, immigration, and personal injury. |
| California Innocence Project* | 619-239-0391 http://californiainnocenceproject.org/ | Pro bono legal assistance to currently incarcerated inmates with evidence of factual innocence . The Project does not represent individuals whose cases are currently pending or who have not yet been convicted. |
| Community Law Project Downtown* | Walk-ins only: First Lutheran Church 1420 Third Ave San Diego, CA, 92101 www.cwclp.org | Limited legal advice, consultations, and referrals in the following legal areas: family, housing, immigration, consumer, criminal, bankruptcy, public benefits, personal injury, employment, tax, and estate . <i>No legal representation</i> is provided. We are open each Monday evening (except for federal holidays) beginning at 5:30. Please note that we do NOT accept any clients that arrive after 8:00 p.m. |
| Community Law Project City Heights* | Parent Resource Centers: Hoover High School Rosa Parks Elementary School | Limited legal advice, consultations, and referrals in the following legal areas: family, housing, immigration, consumer, criminal, bankruptcy, public benefits, personal injury, employment, tax, and estate . <i>No legal representation</i> is provided. Assistance available at Hoover High School on Tuesdays from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. and at Rosa Parks Elementary School on Fridays from 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. when the respective schools are in session. |
| Community Law Project Lemon Grove* | Lemon Grove Academy Middle School Campus Eligible clients can email Dana Sisitsky, Esq. at (dsisitsky@cwsl.edu) for specific clinic dates. | Limited legal advice, consultations and referrals in the following legal areas: family, housing, immigration, consumer, criminal, bankruptcy, public benefits, personal injury, employment, tax, and estate. <i>No legal representation</i> is provided. Currently restricted to people who have children registered in the Lemon Grove school district. |
| Immigration Clinic* | 858-560-0871 www.cwsl.edu/immigrationclinic | Legal assistance for those seeking lawful immigration status, employment verification, and public assistance under provisions of the Violence Against Women Act. |
| New Media Rights | 619-591-8870 http://newmediarights.org | Free and reduced-fee legal services to internet users, creators, and entrepreneurs in matters pertaining to intellectual property, media and communications law . NMR considers requests for legal services by submission through their website at the following link. http://newmediarights.org/about_us/contact_us |

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| Trademark Law Clinic | Complete intake form, scan and email to trademarkclinic@cwsf.edu or fax to 619-696-9999 – Attn: Andrea Johnson | Free legal services for individuals and small businesses wishing to obtain a federal trademark or service mark from the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The clinic does not represent clients in court or before administrative boards, such as the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, nor can the Trademark Clinic file international applications, such as under the Madrid protocol. |
| Traffic Court Clinic | 619-892-8823 TrafficCourtClinic@gmail.com | Representation includes arraignment, investigation, pre-trial discovery and motion practice, negotiations and plea-bargaining, trial, and possible appeal at Kearny Mesa Traffic Court. |

| Other Legal Organizations | Contact Information | Notes |
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| Legal Aid Society of San Diego | 1-877-LEGAL AID (1-877-534-2524) www.lassd.org | Legal aid available to low income & disadvantaged individuals for a variety of legal problems including consumer, family disputes, welfare and health benefits, immigration and poverty law issues such as landlord/tenant disputes, disability support, and family benefits payments. Federal Poverty Income Guidelines determine eligibility for free legal services. |
| San Diego County Bar Association | 619-231-0781 www.sdcba.org | Programs help clients find qualified lawyers, resolve disputes, and educate San Diegans on their legal rights and responsibilities. |
| San Diego Volunteer Lawyers Program | 619-235-5656 www.sdvlp.org | Provides quality legal assistance to disadvantaged and indigent members of county in areas of domestic violence, family law, elder law, services to the homeless, etc. |
| State Bar of California | 1-800-843-9053 www.calbar.ca.gov | Public services include attorney search, tips for obtaining free legal services, information on resolving a dispute with an attorney, and filing claims against attorneys. |

| Attorney Referral Services | | |
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| Attorney Referral Service | 1-877-277-2778 | Free of charge public service to help clients find attorneys to suit their particular needs |
| S.D. County Bar Association's LRIS (Lawyer Referral Information Service) | 1-800-464-1529 | Free of charge. Connects with a counselor who is experienced in analyzing potential legal problems. LRIS counselors are not lawyers and therefore, cannot give legal advice over the phone. |