

EDUCATION

Administer Justice believes that education is key to empowering individuals and communities. We offer a variety of educational opportunities which are open to all at no cost.

CONSUMER DEBT EDUCATION

We offer bilingual Consumer Debt Education seminars each month at various locations within the community. These free seminars provide you with information on your legal rights pertaining to the following areas of debt: credit cards, dealing with debt collectors, payday loans, and other debt issues (such as reverse mortgages and student loans). After the seminar, you will be provided with additional consumer debt information and referrals to various legal resources. Check out our website for upcoming seminars. No reservation is required and all are welcome. These seminars are made possible through a grant from the *Illinois Equal Justice Foundation*.

MONTHLY LEGAL EDUCATION CLASSES

Each month we offer a free presentation on various legal topics such as parental rights, landlord/tenant laws, and consumer fraud. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend. These classes are usually held at our Elgin office. Seating is limited and a reservation is required. Check our website for topics and call to reserve a seat.

SELF-HELP RESOURCES & REFERRALS

We provide brochures, various printed materials and referrals to assist our clients with needs outside of what we offer. Administer Justice has relationships with hundreds of area churches, social service agencies and other providers of legal services. If you are not sure if we can assist you, please call and we will connect you to an organization that can.

WHERE ARE OUR SERVICES PROVIDED?

All services are provided Monday through Thursday from our main office in Elgin and at our Saturday clinics located throughout the suburbs.

Hours vary by clinic location.

To make an appointment call:

847-844-1100 or

toll free 877-778-6006

www.administerjustice.org

Administer Justice is Committed to:

*Empowering families and stabilizing homes,
promoting employment and financial stability,
providing freedom and protection from
fraud and exploitation.*

***Cast all your anxiety on Him,
because He cares for you.***

~ 1 Peter 5:7 ~



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Offering Hope & Help Through:

- ◆ Legal Assistance
- ◆ Financial Counseling
- ◆ Conflict Coaching
- ◆ Education

*"This is what the
LORD Almighty says:
'Administer true
justice; show mercy
and compassion to
one another.'"
Zechariah 7:9*

LEGAL SERVICES

Administer Justice helps those with limited incomes who are facing civil legal issues. We provide legal advice and coaching, and can assist with legal documents. In certain cases, we can provide an attorney to represent you in court. We also provide qualified referrals. The level of service provided is based on your household income and type of issue.

INCOME QUALIFICATIONS

Administer Justice welcomes all in need. We serve all who income qualify, regardless of race, national origin, religion, gender or any other status. We are here to help and welcome the opportunity to serve you.

LEGAL APPOINTMENT

Regardless of what county you live in, if you meet our income qualifications you can meet one-on-one with an attorney. During this appointment, the attorney will provide you with legal advice. They can also refer you to additional service providers, if needed.

Note: If you live in Kane or DuPage County you may also receive help completing legal documents and coaching on how to represent yourself in court.

LEGAL REPRESENTATION

If you have a case in Kane or DuPage county, you may qualify for free court representation by an attorney. Most of our attorneys are volunteers; representation depends on attorney availability and your individual case. If you meet this criteria, you will be informed of such by our Legal Services Director.

Please call to make a
Legal Services appointment.

*There is a \$20 one-time administrative fee
for legal services; cash, check or money order only.*

TYPES OF LEGAL ISSUES WE MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST WITH:

Family law matters such as divorce (under certain circumstances), paternity, child support, child custody, parental visitation and other parental rights, including establishing guardianship; **Housing**, specifically foreclosure and Landlord/Tenant disputes; **Consumer** issues such as consumer fraud, contract disputes, identity theft, and debt collection; **Employment** issues such as unlawful termination, discrimination and wage disputes; **Probate** issues (that arise after someone's death related to asset distribution); **Expungement/Sealing** of prior criminal records; legal issues affecting victims of **Human Trafficking** and **Immigrant Victims of Abuse/Violent Crimes** qualifying for U-Visa/VAWA.

***We can provide you with
qualified referrals
on these issues:***

Orders of Protection, Criminal Matters, Bankruptcy, issues involving **DCFS, Workman's Compensation** claims, **Unemployment Benefits, Public Benefits, Estate Planning, Personal Injury** cases, **Social Security Disability** claims, **Product Liability** cases, and **Medical Malpractice** cases.



**If you are not sure
if we can assist you,
or are uncertain where to turn,
please call us!**

TAX CONTROVERSY

We provide assistance to individuals facing issues with the IRS. This would include, for example, unpaid taxes, refunds or disputes over deductions. This service is also designed to help you understand your rights and responsibilities under the tax code. **There is no fee for utilizing our tax clinic.**

***We do not do tax preparation
but can refer you to others
who provide this service at no cost.***

CONFLICT COACHING

If you are in the midst of a conflict with someone, an Administer Justice Conflict Coach can meet with you one on one to help you gain perspective and move forward. Our volunteers, trained through Peacemaker Ministries, are committed to helping those facing difficult circumstances, using biblical principles to help resolve everyday conflict. **There is no fee for this service.** Income qualifications do apply.

FINANCIAL COUNSELING

We provide one-on-one counseling by trained financial counselors. This service can assist you with establishing a personal budget and managing your debt. This service often requires multiple meetings with a financial counselor in order to establish a workable plan that can ultimately lead to financial freedom. **There is a one-time \$20 fee for this service.** Income qualifications do apply.

CLIENT ADVOCACY

After your appointment (legal, tax, conflict coaching or financial), you can also meet with one of our volunteer Client Advocates who can connect you to other social service agencies based on your family's needs. They will also provide you encouragement through scripture and prayer. **There is no fee for this service.**

Please call to make an appointment with our tax clinic, a conflict coach or financial counselor.