Colorado Legal Services

Legal help for low-income Coloradans seeking assistance with civil legal needs

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Support for Colorado’s Pro Bono Attorneys

Pro Bono Volunteer Support

Go to:

- Volunteer Opportunities for Attorneys
- Virtual Volunteer Paralegal or Law Student Opportunities
- Limited Scope Representation, Emeritus Attorneys, Supreme Court Recognition Ceremonies, and more
- Other Volunteer Opportunities (for undergraduates, law students and all others)

Need inspiration?

Watch this video of CO Access to Justice Commission members discussing reasons why lawyers and paralegals should do pro bono work!

Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct 6.1

*Every lawyer has a professional responsibility to provide legal services to those unable to pay. A lawyer should aspire to render at least fifty hours of pro bono publico legal services per year.*

Attorneys - Get Started Volunteering!

Please answer the questions at this link – we will contact you once we have your information.

CLE Credit for Pro Bono Work

One CLE credit is available for every five pro bono hours, up to a maximum of nine credits for 45 hours in each reporting period.
“Limited Scope” Representation, CRCP Rule 11 and Rule 121
Allows you to enter an appearance on a limited basis. Provides for withdrawal when limited work is completed. Here is some info about Limited Representation.

Pro Bono Certification for Retired and Inactive Attorneys, CRCP Rule 204.6
Allows a retired or inactive attorney otherwise not authorized to practice law in Colorado to be certified to provide pro bono legal services if certain conditions are met. CLS pays your application fee if you agree to volunteer with a CLS pro bono program. Access the application and checklist for the Pro Bono Counsel Certification here.

Colorado Supreme Court, Annual Recognition of Pro Bono Commitment & Achievement
If you commit to perform 50 hours of pro bono work per year, as a firm and as an individual attorney you will be recognized. Go to the Supreme Court website here for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities

This is a partial listing of opportunities available around the state. Once you sign up, you’ll be contacted by your local pro bono coordinator who will provide details.

Statewide Virtual Volunteer Opportunities

- Record Sealing and Expungement Clinic (paralegal & law student volunteers only)
- San Luis Valley Virtual Satellite Clinic
- Cortez Family Law Clinic
- Caregiver Clinic (paralegal & law student volunteers only)

Boulder County Legal Services

- Pro bono advice and representation cases in a variety of civil law matters
- Contract representation in emergency matters
- Pro Se Assistance Program – one-on-one meetings with pro se family law clients (at BCLS)
- Volunteer mediators

Colorado Springs, Colorado Legal Services office

- Pro bono advice and representation in Wills/Estates, Landlord/Tenant, Consumer, Protection Order, & Family Law cases
- Outreach clinics serving clients and the community

Durango

- Pro bono advice and representation cases in a variety of civil law matters
- Contract representation in emergency or complex civil law matters
- Pro Se Divorce and Custody Clinic
- Community legal workshops on living wills, consumer rights, tenant rights, etc.
- Small Claims Court Mediation Program (run by local Bar)
La Junta, Colorado Legal Services office

- Contract representation in complex family law cases and other severe needs cases

Northwest Colorado Legal Services Project

- Pro bono advice and representation cases in a variety of civil law matters
- Contract representation in a variety of (civil law) severe needs or emergency cases
- Monthly Zoom clinics in the 5th J.D.
- Monthly in-person legal information clinics in Gunnison and Lake Counties
- Advice clinics for elders and workshops for elders, including Senior Law Day
- Community legal education on a variety of civil legal topics

Pueblo County Pro Bono Program

- Pro bono advice and representation cases in a variety of civil law matters
- Community legal education on a variety of civil legal topics
- Neighborhood Legal Advice Clinic
- Family Law Court Program
- Pueblo Kinship Adoption Clinic

Salida, Colorado Legal Services office

- Pro bono advice and representation cases in a variety of civil law matters
- Family Law Court Program

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