

## GENERAL FAMILY LAW RESOURCES

### King County Superior Court Family Law Facilitators

The Family Law Facilitator Program at King County Superior Court provides information and referrals to family law litigants who are not represented by attorneys. No legal advice is provided. Litigants may meet with a facilitator on a walk-in basis or by pre-scheduled appointment. *No income requirements.* \$30 fee for appointments, reduced depending on income. For more information or to make an appointment:

(206) 477-2478 - King County Courthouse (Seattle)

(206) 205-2526 - Maleng Regional Justice Center (Kent)

[www.kingcounty.gov/courts/Familycourt/facilitator](http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/Familycourt/facilitator)

### King County Superior Court

### Public Law Library - Legal Research and Training Center

Classes such as "Legal Research for the Non-Attorney" are offered. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 296-0940

[www.kccll.org/learnhow/lrtc/](http://www.kccll.org/learnhow/lrtc/)

### King County Superior Court

### Public Law Library – General Legal Clinic

A walk-in legal clinic in the Law Library on the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor of the King County Courthouse in Seattle from 11:30-1:30 every Wednesday. No appointment necessary. For more information:

(206) 477-1305

### King County Bar Association

### Neighborhood Legal Clinic

Neighborhood Legal Clinics provide FREE 30 minute consultation with an attorney at 39 locations across King County. Attorneys determine whether the client has a legal problem, suggest possible options, and provide appropriate referrals. These attorneys will not represent you in court. Call for income requirements and to schedule an appointment Tues. – Thurs. 9am-12pm:

(206) 267-7070

[www.kcba.org/pbs/nlc.aspx](http://www.kcba.org/pbs/nlc.aspx)

### King County Bar Association

### Self Help Plus Program

*Pro se* assistance for low to moderate income King County residents with divorce cases or parenting plan cases when paternity has been established. Attorneys help with legal pleadings, filings, case management, and finalization. Fees are based on a sliding scale depending on income (\$40-\$80). For more information:

(206) 267-7080

[www.kcba.org/pbs/SHP](http://www.kcba.org/pbs/SHP)

### King County Bar Association

### Lawyer Referral Service

For a \$45 fee, a 30 minute consultation with an attorney and referral for legal representation will be provided; referrals to attorneys providing "self-help legal services" will be provided without a fee. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 267-7010

<http://www.kcba.org/lrs/>

### Washington State Bar Association

### Moderate Means Program

The Moderate Means Program is a partnership between the Washington State Bar Association and Washington's three law schools, connecting people within 200–400% of the Federal Poverty Level to lawyers who offer legal help at reduced fees. For more information:

(855) 741-6930

<http://www.moderatemeanswa.com/>

### Legal Voice

Statewide hotline that provides legal information, referrals, and "self-help" legal materials. The program provides free resources about family law issues, including divorce, custody and child support. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 621-7691

(866) 259-7721 - toll free

**Washington Law Help**

Website with hundreds of free legal education materials, including self-help packets, available for viewing and downloading at: [www.washingtonlawhelp.org](http://www.washingtonlawhelp.org)

**ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) RESOURCES****King County Superior Court****Family Court Services**

Mediation for disagreements about parenting plans; fees charged according to income. *No income requirements.* Call for more information:

(206) 477-1500 - King County Superior Court (Seattle)

(206) 205-2521 - Maleng Regional Justice Center (Kent)

**King County Courts****Early Resolution Case Managers**

If both you and the other party in the case are not represented by an attorney and are in need of mediation services, please speak with Early Resolution Case Managers at your Status Conference hearing.

**King County Bar Association****Volunteer Family Law Settlement Conference Program**

Free settlement conferences with experienced volunteer family law attorneys. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 477-1353 – Seattle

(253) 852-2345 – Kent

[www.kingcounty.gov/courts/familycourt/settle](http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/familycourt/settle)

**King County Bar Association****Legal Referral Services**

King County hotline that provides referrals to professional mediators who charge for their services. *No income requirements.* For more information:

(206) 267-7010

<http://www.kcba.org/lrs/>

**CHILD SUPPORT RESOURCES****Washington State DSHS****Division of Child Support**

For information on administrative or court ordered child support, please call:

(206) 341-7000

(800) 922-4306 - toll free

[www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs)

<https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/csips/ssgen> (online child support calculation software)

**King County Prosecutor's Office****Family Support Division**

Prosecutors may assist with actions to establish paternity and must review child support orders for those who have received or who are receiving public assistance. For more information:

(206) 296-9020 – Seattle

(206) 296-9595 – Kent

[www.kingcounty.gov/prosecutor/childsupport.aspx](http://www.kingcounty.gov/prosecutor/childsupport.aspx)

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCES****King County Prosecutor's Office****Domestic Violence Protection Order Advocacy Program**

The Protection Order Advocacy Program is a program within the Domestic Violence Unit of the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. The program assists King County residents and those who recently fled to King County (because of domestic violence) as they petition the courts for protection orders. For more information:

(206) 477-1103 - King County Superior Court (Seattle) Room C-213

(206) 205-7406 - Maleng Regional Justice Center (Kent) Room 2B

<http://protectionorder.org/>

<b>Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence</b>	
Legal advocates offer free assistance with legal paperwork, information and trial preparation, and referrals to low or no-cost lawyers. Advocates are not lawyers and cannot provide legal advice. For more information: (800) 562-6025 – Washington State Domestic Violence Hotline (800) 799-7233 – National Domestic Violence Hotline <a href="http://www.wscadv.org/getHelpNow.cfm#legal">www.wscadv.org/getHelpNow.cfm#legal</a>	
<b>New Beginnings</b>	
Legal advocates provide assistance and access to resources on protection orders and parenting concerns. The program also provides general support and advocacy for those affected by domestic violence. For more information: (206) 522-9472 – 24 Hour Hotline <a href="http://www.newbegin.org">www.newbegin.org</a>	
<b>Eastside Domestic Violence Program</b>	
Legal advocates provide assistance for domestic violence victims in North and East King County. This program provides the following services: support and comprehensive legal advocacy, connection to local legal clinics, accompaniment to court proceedings, and outreach to domestic violence victims. For more information: (425) 746-1940 or (800) 827.8840 – 24 Hour Hotline <a href="http://www.edvp.org">http://www.edvp.org</a>	
<b>King County Bar Association</b>	<b>Family Law Mentor Program</b>
Volunteer attorneys provide legal services to King County residents who are low-income married or unmarried parents with contested family law cases (e.g. dissolution, petitions to establish a parenting plan, or paternity cases) where children are at risk because of domestic violence, child abuse/neglect, or alcohol/drug abuse. For more information: (206) 267-7010 <a href="http://www.kcba.org/pbs/familylaw.aspx">http://www.kcba.org/pbs/familylaw.aspx</a>	
<b>King County Bar Association</b>	<b>Domestic Violence Family Law Clinic</b>
The Clinic provides a free consultation with an attorney about family law issues, including divorce, custody, child support, and parentage. For more information, call: (206) 783-2848 (Wednesdays from 1 to 3 PM) (206) 267-7070	
<b>Eastside Legal Assistance Program (ELAP)</b>	
A non-profit organization providing free or low-cost, high quality civil legal services to low-income residents of East and Northeast King County and Domestic Violence legal services throughout King County. The program also offers a weekly Family Law Domestic Violence clinic, every Thursday (12-2pm) in Bellevue. For more information: (425) 747-7274 <a href="http://www.elap.org">http://www.elap.org</a>	
<b>Northwest Justice Project</b>	<b>CLEAR Hotline</b>
Low income parties may receive legal advice and referrals by phone. Screening for representation by a staff attorney is limited to cases involving domestic violence posing an imminent threat to a party or children. For more information: (206) 461-3200 or 211 or (877) 211-WASH (9274) - King County Residents (888) 201-1014 (9:30am – 12:30pm) - Outside King County (888) 387-7111 - Persons 60 years and over <a href="http://www.nwjustice.org">www.nwjustice.org</a>	
<b>BILINGUAL RESOURCES</b>	
<b>King County Superior</b>	<b>CourtOffice of Interpreter Services</b>
To request an interpreter <i>at least 24 hours</i> in advance of your hearing, please contact: (206) 477-1415. For more information: <a href="http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/SuperiorCourt/InterpSrv.aspx">www.kingcounty.gov/courts/SuperiorCourt/InterpSrv.aspx</a>	

<b>King County Bar Association</b>	<b>Newcomers Resource Project</b>
Provides free legal services for immigrants, refugees, and limited English speaking individuals that are low-income residents of King County. For more information: (206) 267-7055 www.kcba.org/legalhelp/newcomers/clients.aspx	
<b>Consejo Counseling and Referral Service</b>	
Program provides legal advocacy in Spanish. Non-attorney advocates provide cultural mediation and translation/interpretation as needed to ensure the domestic violence survivor's success during legal and civil actions, e.g. petitions for protection orders, petitions for dissolution, petitions to establish paternity, petitions to establish parenting plan. Advocates may also provide immigration assistance. (206) 461-4880 http://consejocounseling.org/	
<b>Refugee Women's Alliance (ReWA)</b>	
Comprehensive support and legal advocacy services in 11 languages. ReWA's bilingual/ bicultural domestic violence advocates work with victims to help them apply for protection orders, develop safety plans, access safe shelters, understand and navigate the legal system, as well as connect them to services providing basic needs. For more information: (206) 721-0243 www.rewa.org	
<b>NON-PARENTAL CUSTODY RESOURCES</b>	
<b>King County Superior Court</b>	<b>Nonparental Navigation Class</b>
This free online PowerPoint presentation is designed to give users an overview of a nonparental, or 3 <sup>rd</sup> party custody, court case. The presentation goes over how to start a case, how to serve the necessary parties, and how to finish the case. <i>This presentation is not intended for people who would like to get custody of their own children.</i> http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/FamilyCourt/facilitator.aspx Click the link under "Helpful Resources"	
<b>King County Bar Association</b>	<b>Kinship Care Solutions Project</b>
This program provides free legal representation for relatives and other caregivers seeking nonparental custody (also known as third party custody) of a child or children through a panel of volunteer attorneys. This program serves low-income King County residents only. (206) 267-7010      www.kcba.org/pbs/KC.aspx	
<b>WASHINGTON STATE LAW WEBSITES</b>	
If you don't have access to the internet, please visit the law library in your local courthouse for statutes and rules. Forms are available at the facilitator's office in your courthouse.	
<b>WA State Statutes</b>	http://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw
<b>WA State Case Law</b>	http://www.legalwa.org
<b>WA Court Rules</b>	http://www.courts.wa.gov/courtrules
<b>King County Court Rules</b>	http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/Clerk/Rules
<b>King County Local Family Law Rules</b>	http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/Clerk/Rules
<b>WA Court Forms</b>	http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms
<b>King County Local Forms</b>	http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/scforms
<b>Search Case Records:</b> To review a list of documents filed in your case, visit <a href="http://dw.courts.wa.gov/">http://dw.courts.wa.gov/</a>	