

# What can Legal Aid NSW provide advice about?

Legal Aid NSW lawyers can provide free advice about many problems affecting basic needs

## We can give advice about



### Family Law

Divorce, parenting, property, care and protection, AVO's, Child Support



### Criminal Law

Traffic matters with risk of imprisonment, AVO defendants with related charges, any other criminal proceedings (defendant)



### Centrelink and Veteran's Affairs

Pensions and payments, debt recovery



### Death and injury

Coronial inquests, Victims Service payments and restitution orders



### Employment

Dismissal, underpayment and other issues for people earning under \$80,000 pro rata p.a. No limit for sexual harassment or discrimination at work



### Housing

Evictions, repairs involving safety, behind in rent, mortgage difficulties, tenancy blacklists, public and community housing issues



### Human Rights

Unlawful discrimination, sexual harassment, complaints about police



### Immigration

Protection, family reunion and spouse visas. And family violence. Not work or student visas



### Money

Overdue loans and fines, insurance, utilities, strata and local council debts, problems with goods and services



### NDIS

Access, payments and quality of service



### Mental health and cognitive impairment

Involuntary treatment or detention, guardianship or financial management



### Disasters

Any legal problem connected to disaster (floods, fires etc)

## We don't give advice about



### In Family Law -

Drafting binding financial agreements



### In Criminal Law -

Issues related to being a witness for the prosecution



### Business and Investment

Debts and disputes, employers, investment properties



### Disputes between individuals

(unless there is domestic, family violence or elder abuse)



### Neighbour issues

Fences, noise, strata association issues (not debts), local planning disputes



### Wills, estates, planning ahead

Drafting wills, disputes about estate administration, preparing power of attorney and guardianship documents



### Immigration

Work or student visas (unless DV or asylum claim involved)



Our team at LawAccess NSW can provide information and referrals about these problems

## We may give advice about

We may give advice about other issues if the person faces additional barriers or disadvantage. Contact LawAccess to find out

**Contact us:** If you have a legal problem, start with our team at LawAccess NSW. They can give you legal information, and if it is an area we provide advice, make an appointment for you to speak to a lawyer. Visit [www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au](http://www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au) and click on the 'Chat with us' button or call **1300 888 529** from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays).