

# Legal Resource Guide

## State Bar of Wisconsin

5302 Eastpark Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53718-2101

800-728-7788  
wisbar.org

- ❖ Provides attorney referrals, public education, and reduced legal assistance for low income state residents. The State Bar has publications on topics such as: Bankruptcy, Buying/Selling Real Estate, Divorce, Guardians ad Litem in Family Court, Health Care, Estate Planning, Probate, Starting A Business, and Landlord/Tenant Law.

### Lawyer Referral and Information Service

800-362-9082

wisbar.org/needalawyer

- ❖ For assistance with a legal issue you can search for an attorney through the website or call to speak with an agent.

### Modest Means Referral Service

800-444-9404, ext. 6173

wisbar.org/modestmeans

- ❖ Designed to assist people whose income is too high to qualify for free legal services, but too low to pay a lawyer's standard rate. Qualification is based on your income level and area of legal need.

### Wisconsin Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection

800-444-9404, ext. 6623

wisbar.org/clientprotection

- ❖ If you believe you have suffered financial loss due to the dishonest conduct of your attorney, you can file a claim with WLFCP. The Fund may be able to reimburse that money, up to a maximum amount.

### Fee Arbitration Program

800-444-9404, ext. 6624

wisbar.org/feearb

- ❖ Addresses fee disputes between attorneys and clients.

## Milwaukee Bar Association

747 N. Broadway  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

414-274-6760  
milwbar.org

### Lawyer Referral and Information Service

414-274-6768

findmilwaukeeattorneys.org

- ❖ A free phone referral service for anyone that has a legal question or is seeking to obtain legal counsel.

### Fee Arbitration Assistance

414-276-5934

[milwbar.org/fee\\_arbitration\\_assistance](http://milwbar.org/fee_arbitration_assistance)

- ❖ Addresses fee disputes between attorneys and clients.

## Wisconsin Judicial Commission

110 E. Main St., Ste. 700  
Madison, WI 53703

608-266-7637

[www.wicourts.gov/courts/committees/judicialcommission/index.htm](http://www.wicourts.gov/courts/committees/judicialcommission/index.htm)

- ❖ Addresses complaints against Wisconsin judges and court commissioners.

## Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Clerk's Office

110 E. Main St., Ste. 215  
Madison, WI 53701-1688

608-266-1800

[www.wicourts.gov/courts/offices/clerk.htm](http://www.wicourts.gov/courts/offices/clerk.htm)

- ❖ Can provide a citizens guide to filing an appeal.

## Wisconsin Department of Justice

P.O. Box 7857  
Madison, WI 53707

608-266-1221

[www.doj.state.wi.us](http://www.doj.state.wi.us)

- ❖ DOJ exists to protect public safety, including concerns about the conduct of local public officials and violations of a victim's rights. Visit their website for more information on all DOJ does.

## Wisconsin Community Program, Social Service, and Human Service Agencies

[www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/areaadmin/hsd-programs.htm](http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/areaadmin/hsd-programs.htm)

- ❖ Each Wisconsin County has a department whose services include addressing concerns about child welfare and elder abuse. Visit the website above for a listing of departments by county and their contact information.

## Wisconsin Court System Self-Help Law Center

[www.wicourts.gov/services/public/selfhelp/index.htm](http://www.wicourts.gov/services/public/selfhelp/index.htm)

- ❖ For assistance in finding forms, learning about Wisconsin law and court procedures, and representing yourself in some court matters. The information provided there is not a substitute for legal advice.

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## **Family Law Assistance Center** (Hours: 11:30-1:30 each Wednesday)

Dane County Courthouse  
215 S. Hamilton St., Room 1022  
Madison, WI 53703

[www.dcba.net/programs/flac](http://www.dcba.net/programs/flac)

- ❖ Volunteers offer assistance with court forms and procedures and provide referrals to community resources.

## **Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee**

728 N. James Lovell St., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, North Suite  
Milwaukee, WI 53223

414-727-5300  
[lasmilwaukee.com](http://lasmilwaukee.com)

- ❖ LAS provides free legal assistance to needy Milwaukee County residents with civil legal problems.

## **Legal Action of Wisconsin**

855-947-2529  
[www.legalaction.org](http://www.legalaction.org)

- ❖ LAW has offices in Madison, Milwaukee, Green Bay, La Crosse, Racine, and Oshkosh and offers free legal services for low income people regarding consumer issues. Visit their website for more information.

## **Milwaukee Justice Center**

901 North 9th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53233

414-278-2912

- ❖ Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic provides free, confidential, and brief legal advice and referrals for Milwaukee County Circuit Court civil legal matters in the areas of Family Law, Landlord-Tenant, Probate, Small Claims, and Properties/Deeds. Located in the Courthouse. Call for hours and/or appointments.

## **University of Wisconsin Law School Programs (staffed by law student volunteers)**

### **Economic Justice Institute**

608-890-0678 [law.wisc.edu/eji](http://law.wisc.edu/eji)

- ❖ EJI serves low-income clients. Clinical programs are: Consumer Law Clinic, Family Court Clinic, Neighborhood Law Clinic, Immigrant Justice Clinic, and VOCA Restraining Order Clinic. Email: [ejl@law.wisc.edu](mailto:ejl@law.wisc.edu)

### **Wisconsin Innocence Project**

608-262-2240 [law.wisc.edu/fjr/clinicals/ip](http://law.wisc.edu/fjr/clinicals/ip)

Frank J. Remington Center  
9075 Bascom Hall  
Madison, WI 53706-1399

- ❖ WIP seeks to exonerate wrongfully-convicted persons.

### **Veterans Law Center** (Hours: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM)

210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Rm. 108  
Madison, WI 53703

[law.wisc.edu/probono/veteranslawcenter](http://law.wisc.edu/probono/veteranslawcenter)

- ❖ A free walk-in legal clinic for low-income veterans and their families on a variety of civil legal matters.

## **Wisconsin Judicare**

401 Fifth St., Ste. 200  
Wausau, WI 54403

800-472-1638  
[www.judicare.org](http://www.judicare.org)

- ❖ WI Judicare provides legal representation to low-income individuals in Wisconsin's northern counties.

## **Community Justice Inc.**

214 N. Hamilton St., Ste. 101  
Madison, WI 53703

608-204-9642  
[www.communityjusticeinc.org](http://www.communityjusticeinc.org)

- ❖ CJI is a non-profit law firm offering affordable legal services to low-income families and individuals.

## **Free Legal Answers – Wisconsin (American Bar Association)**

[wi.freelegalanswers.org](http://wi.freelegalanswers.org)

- ❖ Free to Wisconsin residents. Ask your legal question online and volunteer attorneys may answer your question.

## **Wisconsin State Law Library**

120 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53703

800-322-9755  
[wilawlibrary.gov](http://wilawlibrary.gov)

- ❖ WSL's website provides links to Wisconsin case law, ordinances, and codes as well as legal resources by county. Search legal topics A-Z. Visit the website for more available resources.

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