

Legal Assistance List for Special Education Disputes

This is a list of free or low-cost legal and other relevant services that assist or represent parents in special education due process disputes. The list is intended to comply with WAC 392-172A-05080(3)(a). The persons and organizations have requested to be put on the list. They are not screened by OSPI or by OAH. This list is not exhaustive, nor is it a recommendation or endorsement for any particular service provider. It is important when seeking representation to ask questions to ensure that your needs will be met. It is also your responsibility to check with the state bar association to ensure that the legal provider is a member in good standing. The state bar association and local bar associations may also maintain other lawyer referral service lists by specialty areas, including education law.

The list is divided into three parts. The first is a list of free or low cost legal service providers. Free or low cost legal providers have eligibility criteria which you must meet in order to become a client. The second is a list of public (not for profit) organizations that assist parents but are not legal services providers. The third part is a list of attorneys who have experience and/or interest in special education. Each has his/her own fee schedule. Some have indicated a willingness to reduce their hourly rate on a case by case basis at their discretion.

FREE OR LOW COST LEGAL SERVICES

Northwest Justice Project

CLEAR Info and Referral Line 888-201-1014
(Use 888-201-1014- for all counties except King)
888-201-1021 (Spanish-only speaking clients)

(King County and vicinity)

401 Second Ave S, Suite 407
Seattle, WA 98104
206-464-1519 or 888-201-1012

University Legal Assistance

721 N Cincinnati Street
PO Box 3528
Spokane, WA 99220-3528
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NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Learning Disabilities Association of WA

16315 NE 87th St, # B-4
Redmond, WA 98052
425-882-792 (Not attorneys)

Jeannette Cohen, Attorney at Law
17826 – 1st Avenue NW
Shoreline, WA 98177
206-542-7234

Washington PAVE - services available statewide

6316 S 12th Street (Main Office)
Tacoma, WA 98465
253-565-2266 (v/tdd)
800-5-PARENT (v/tty)
(Non-attorneys, assist in preparation and support)
wapave9@washingtonpave.com
website: www.washingtonpave.org

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PO Box 2516
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(Limited to persons visually impaired or blind)

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