

Pro Se Plus Clinic

Legal Aid of North Carolina ~ Asheville Office Advice & Guidance Agreement

I. Pro Se Plus Clinic Responsibilities

1. **Legal Aid of North Carolina ~ Asheville Office's (Legal Aid) Pro Se Plus Clinic ("PSPC") will provide its clients with a limited scope of legal services. Such services will include legal advice and guidance in obtaining an absolute divorce, but not legal representation in the absolute divorce court hearing.**
2. You will not be charged a fee for the Clinic's services.
3. The Clinic will treat any information you provide as confidential except as required by law.
4. The Clinic will supervise all staff and *pro bono* instructors participating in Clinic sessions. The staff participating in Clinic sessions may be attorneys, paralegals, and/or law clerks.
5. The Clinic's performance is monitored by Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc.

II. Clinic Participants' Rights and Responsibilities

1. I have the right to direct any concerns or complaints to Angeleigh Dorsey, Senior Managing Attorney of Legal Aid of North Carolina ~ Asheville Office.
2. I will tell the truth about my case and keep the Clinic informed of any changes that may effect and/or impact my case.
3. I will tell the truth about the factors which make me eligible for participation in the Pro Se Plus Clinic, such as my income and assets, the number of people in my household, my address and telephone number and any changes to this information.

III. Factors Relevant to Client Acceptance

1. I have been a resident of the State of North Carolina for the preceding six (6) months.
2. I have separated from my spouse for at least one calendar year without resuming a marital relationship.
3. My Spouse and I have no child custody issues to be decided by the Court.
4. My Spouse and I have no marital property issues (real or personal) to be decided by the Court.

IV. Termination of Case

The Clinic may terminate a Client's participation in the Pro Se Clinic under the following circumstances:

1. You tell us you wish to withdraw from the Clinic.
2. You misrepresent your eligibility information or facts in your case.
3. You are no longer eligible.
4. Your case is without merit.

I have read and reviewed this Advice & Guidance Agreement
Client Signature and Date

I am a citizen of the United States
Client Signature and Date

Instructor Signature and Date

NOTICE: All Legal Aid of North Carolina programs will provide legal services and allow participation on all governance and policy-making bodies without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, family status, disability, political affiliation, personal appearance, and sexual orientation, or other basis prohibited by law, except that resources provided by Title III funding shall be limited to persons sixty (60) years or older, and except that some funding sources may be limited to supporting the provision of legal services to special populations.