

Virtual Legal Services for Suffolk County Residents During COVID-19

Full Representation

- a. **Nassau Suffolk Law Services – 631-232-2400**
 - i. Services available to qualifying clients in the following areas:
 - 1. Tenants facing eviction
 - 2. Homeowners facing foreclosure
 - 3. Public benefits and Medicaid appeals
 - 4. Education law
 - 5. SSI/SSD appeals
 - 6. Consumer debt collection
 - 7. Long-term healthcare
 - 8. Child support modifications (noncustodial parents)
 - 9. Domestic violence (east of route 112)
 - ii. Additional services available to special client populations
 - 1. People with severe and persistent mental illness
 - 2. People with HIV+ diagnosis
 - 3. Residents of adult homes
 - 4. Veterans
 - iii. Screening for pro bono (volunteer) attorneys
 - 1. Divorce
 - 2. Bankruptcy
- b. **Touro Law School Clinics – (631) 761-7080**
 - i. Services available to qualifying clients in the following areas:
 - 1. Bankruptcy
 - 2. Foreclosure
 - 3. Special Immigrant Juvenile Status petitions
 - ii. Services for special populations
 - 1. People over age 60+ (631) 761-7470)
 - 2. Veterans
- c. **Empire Justice Center - 631-650-2306**
 - i. Services for clients who are not eligible for Nassau Suffolk Law Services
 - 1. Tenants facing eviction
 - 2. Public benefits appeals
 - ii. Other services
 - 1. Immigration
 - 2. Services for crime victims
 - 3. Unemployment
- d. **Suffolk County Bar Association <https://scba.community.lawyer> or (631) 234-5577 (use website for best service)**
 - i. 30-minute consultation for \$25

- ii. Full representation on any issue at regular rate determined by each attorney
- e. Unemployment Action Center
 - i. Hotline: (646) 481-8164
Benefits and eligibility questions.
 - ii. Representation at a hearing: (212) 998-6568
Matches callers with local law students for assistance with hearings.
- f. Domestic violence services
 - i. **VIBS (Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk)** – 631-360-3606
Court advocates and attorneys. Primarily represents residents of Western Suffolk (to Route 112)
 - ii. **The Retreat** - (631) 329-2200
Court advocates and attorneys (by referral to NSLS). Primarily serving the east end (east of Route 112)
 - iii. **Long Island Against Domestic Violence** - 631-666-8833

Helplines, virtual consultations and other limited legal assistance

- g. General
 - i. **Touro COVID Helpline** 631-761-7198 or
<https://www.tourolaw.edu/AboutTouroLaw/TLCResponse>
General service helpline for advice or referrals
 - ii. **Free Legal Answers** <https://ny.freelegalanswers.org>
Virtual legal consultations
- h. Special topics
 - i. **FAMILY - Legal Information for Families Today (LIFT)** - 212-343-1122
Legal information helpline. Virtual legal consultations, including assistance with document preparation, for those who need additional assistance.
 - ii. **UNEMPLOYMENT** - New York State Bar Association (NYSBA)
<https://nysba.org/unemployment-insurance-relief/>
Match with volunteer attorney for unemployment help
 - iii. **SMALL ESTATE** – New York State Bar Association (NYSBA)
<https://nysba.org/surrogatescourt/>
Match with volunteer attorney to help with small estate forms