

## WHO WE ARE

The South Florida Legal Providers are private non-profit organizations that work together to address the legal needs of low income individuals. The Providers represent people who have civil legal problems related to housing, education, family, juvenile, employment, immigration, public benefits and other legal areas. The Providers are also concerned about systemic issues that affect the individuals they serve as well as the quality of life in the greater community. All legal services are provided free of charge, except that Catholic Legal Services charges a small fee based on income.

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For more information about the South Florida  
Legal Providers visit [www.lsgmi.org](http://www.lsgmi.org).

For more information about Legal Services  
throughout Florida visit [www.floridalawhelp.org](http://www.floridalawhelp.org).

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# SOUTH FLORIDA LEGAL PROVIDERS



**Catholic Legal Services, Archdiocese of Miami  
Cuban American Bar Association Pro Bono Project  
Dade County Bar Association Legal Aid Society  
Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center  
Florida Justice Institute  
Guardianship Program of Dade County, Inc.  
Lawyers for Children America  
Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc.  
Spanish American League Against Discrimination  
University of Miami Children and Youth Law Clinic**

**South Florida Legal Providers Are Dedicated  
to Pursuing Equal Justice Under Law**

## BECOMING A CLIENT

You may become a client of any of the Providers in a number of ways:

Catholic Legal Services,  
Archdiocese of Miami (CLS)

Call 305-373-1073 or walk-in to its office Monday through Friday to apply for services.

Cuban American Bar Association  
Pro Bono Project (CABA)

Call 305-646-0046 or walk-in to its office Monday through Thursday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm to apply for services.

Children and Youth Law Clinic  
University of Miami School of Law  
(Clinic)

Call 305-284-3123 to apply for services.

Dade County Bar Association  
Legal Aid Society (LAS)

Call 305-579-5733 or walk-in to its office Monday through Friday to apply for services.

Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center  
(FIAC)

Call 305-573-1106 or walk-in to its office Monday through Friday to get an application. Call for more information regarding services for battered women, public benefits, and special projects.

Florida Justice Institute (FJI)

Call 305-358-2081 to apply for services.

## Guardianship Program of Dade County, Inc. (GPD)

Call 305-592-7642 for more information about services, or ask the Probate Court judge to appoint the Guardianship Program to be your guardian. The Guardianship Program only handles cases where the individual has been found incapacitated by the court and is of limited financial means.

Lawyers for Children America (LCA)

Call 305-577-4771 for more information about services, or ask the Juvenile Court for representation.

Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc.  
(LSGMI)

Call 305-576-0080 to apply for services. In Monroe County call 877-715-7464 (toll free). You may also walk-in to the Main Office Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 1:00pm or the South Dade office Monday - Friday 9:15am - 11:30am and 1:15pm - 4:00pm to apply for services.

Spanish American League Against  
Discrimination, Inc. (SALAD)

Walk-in to its office Monday through Friday or e-mail: salad@yahoo.com

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you don't see your problem listed here, contact the South Florida Legal Provider who handles the problem most closely related to yours to ask for more guidance.

## CASES WE HANDLE

Promote Employment, Economic  
Security and Health

- \* Government benefits - LSGMI, CABA and LAS
- \* Unemployment Compensation - LSGMI and LAS
- \* Child support modification for noncustodial parents who are homeless or where Social Security benefits are negatively affected - LSGMI
- \* Low income taxpayer problems - LSGMI
- \* Help for organizations revitalizing neighborhoods - LSGMI
- \* Consumer - CABA

Support for Families and Children

- \* Divorce and related family law problems - LAS and CABA; LSGMI (Monroe County only)
- \* Custody and paternity - LAS; LSGMI (Monroe County only)
- \* Adoptions - LAS
- \* Relative custody cases - LAS
- \* Guardianship - GPD and LAS
- \* Special education for students with disabilities - LSGMI
- \* Legal needs of youth leaving foster care - Clinic, LAS, FIAC, LSGMI
- \* Represent dependent children - LCA

Preserve the Home and  
Promote Home Ownership

- \* Public and subsidized housing matters - LSGMI and LAS
- \* Emergency and transitional housing - LSGMI
- \* Preservation of publicly subsidized housing - LSGMI
- \* Private landlord-tenant matters - LSGMI and LAS
- \* Home ownership problems including foreclosure and predatory lending - LSGMI, CABA, LAS and SALAD
- \* Relocation benefit problems - LSGMI and LAS

- \* Mobile home problems - LSGMI and LAS
- \* Help for organizations in the development, preservation and rehabilitation of affordable housing - LSGMI

## Immigration Problems

- \* Representation before the Department of Homeland Security, immigration court and federal court in immigration cases, including deportation defense - FIAC, CLS and CABA
- \* Naturalization cases to preserve SSI benefits for people who live alone - LSGMI

## OTHER SERVICES

- \* Community Education - LSGMI, LAS, FIAC
- \* Referrals to private lawyers who do not charge a fee
- \* Consumer, family, real estate, probate, non-profit, and general civil legal problems Put Something Back. Call 305-579-5733 for an intake site.
- \* Federal Court Cases FJI
- \* Small Claims Court Clinic LSGMI and Put Something Back. Call LSGMI for more information.

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

- \* Domestic Violence Victims LAS, FIAC, and CLS. LSGMI (Monroe County only)
- \* HIV Positive Clients LSGMI
- \* Public benefits for Homeless clients LSGMI and FIAC
- \* Prisoners and other institutionalized persons concerning conditions of confinement. FJI