

AVAILABLE RESOURCES FOR UNREPRESENTED LITIGANTS

The Code of Judicial Conduct prohibits a judicial officer from giving legal advice to an unrepresented litigant. There are some helpful resources available to unrepresented litigants. The Court does not recommend or guarantee any of the services mentioned below.

Florida Bar Lawyer Referral Service, for a \$25 fee you can obtain a brief consultation with a local lawyer who practices family law. At that time you can ask questions, talk about what papers you need to file, and get advice about how to proceed on your own should you choose to do so. Submit a request online at <https://www.floridabar.org/public/lrs/> or call 800-342-8011

Florida Free Legal Answers, an ABA program of volunteer attorneys providing answers to online questions proposed by low-income Floridians who need help with a legal problem. Visit them at: <https://florida.freelegalanswers.org/>

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida may be able to assist you.

You may find them at:

<https://www.clsmf.org/legal-advice-helpline/>

Or contact them via the Helpline at 1-800-405-1417. Helpline Hours: Monday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. At CLSMF’s Helpline, the Attorneys do provide brief legal advice (including guidance in completing forms and motions) in these types of child support cases to qualified individuals.

Marion County Judicial Center may provide some limited assistance if you do not have an attorney. Family Court Case Management, Contact Self Help Center at: (352)401-6717 (voice mail monitor phone line only). Hours of operation are: Monday -Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Ste. 1-1057. (Please note: The personnel in the Self-Help Office provide procedural information only and do not act as your lawyer and cannot provide legal advice to you.)

Clerk of Court, Family Civil, has some printed legal packets available for a fee. In Marion County, the Clerk of Court is located at: 110 NW 1st Ave, Ocala, FL 34475.

Some forms are available:

<https://www.marioncountyclerk.org/online-options/forms/family-forms/>

Many additional forms are also available at the Florida Supreme Court Website:

<https://www.flcourts.org/Resources-Services/Court-Improvement/Family-Courts/Family-Law-Forms>

The **Florida Support Court** has also an app and a Guide to Navigating Florida's Court System at: <https://help.flcourts.org/>

The **Florida Department of Revenue** may be able to assist you: Child Support Enforcement / Department of Revenue Customer Contact Center Options:

Web chat, Email–

<https://floridarevenue.com/childsupport/Contact/Pages/default.aspx>

eServices - <https://childsupport.floridarevenue.com/>

Phone number 850-488-5437

Fax number 580-921-0792

When calling leave a detailed message including:
Name

SSN or Case #

Detailed reason for call

Call back phone number

A local DOR representative will contact you within 48 hours.

Para asistencia en español, llame al 1-850-488-5437 y marque 7