Family Law & Domestic Violence Referrals

Legal Aid Organizations (Free Legal Help)

ACBA VLSC Legal Clinics	Services:
1000 Broadway, Suite 480, Oakland	-Dissolution & Family Law Clinics: Volunteer attorneys help
(510) 302-2222 x4	with divorce, custody/visitation, and support forms and
	provide legal advice.
Call M $-$ F 8:30 am $-$ 3:30 pm to register	-Domestic Violence Restraining Order Clinics
https://www.acbanet.org/pro-bono-	Fees:
legal-services/	Free for low-income residents of Alameda County.
Bay Area Legal Aid	Services:
1735 Telegraph Ave, Oakland (510) 663-4744	-Assist survivors of domestic violence with:
M - F 9:00 am - noon, 1:00 - 5:00 pm	-Domestic violence restraining orders
	-Divorce, separation, annulment
Legal Advice Line: (510) 250-5270	-Child and spousal support
MTh 9:30 am - 3:00 pm	-Custody and visitation orders
TuW 9:30 am - 1:00 pm	
·	Fees:
www.baylegal.org	Free for survivors of domestic violence.
Family Violence Law Center	Services:
470 27th St. Oakland	-Prepare domestic violence restraining orders, child custody
(510) 208-3557	filings, and visitation requests.
85	-Provide attorney representation in court.
www.fvlc.org	X
	<u>Fees:</u> Free for residents of Alameda County experiencing domestic violence.

Alameda County Superior Court Self-Help Center

Self-Help Center	Services:
Hayward Hall of Justice	-Staff answer questions about completing dissolution, child
24405 Amador Street	custody/visitation, child support, and domestic violence
Department 501	restraining order forms.
M – F 8:30 am - noon	Fees:
	Services are free. Will only assist self-represented litigants.
	Arrive as early as possible.

Alameda County Department of Child Support Services (DCSS)

	AC Dept. of Child Support Services	Services:
	5669 Gibraltar Dr., Pleasanton	-Help parents establish paternity, open a child support case,
	(866) 901-3212	establish a child support order, enforce a child support order.
	• •	-Can order genetic testing in some situations.
	http://www.acdcss.org/	
	· 	Fees:
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Hire an Attorney

Bay Area Legal Incubator	Services:
125 12th Street, 2nd Fl. Oakland	-Variety of family law matters, including prenuptial
(510) 473-5592	agreements, divorce, child custody/visitation, child and
	spousal support, domestic violence restraining orders.
https://www.bayarealegalincubator.org/	
	Fees:
	-Affordable legal services. Some offer sliding scale fees.
ACBA Lawyer Referral Service	Services:
(510) 302-2222 x4	-Various family law matters.
M –F 8:30 am – noon; 1:00 – 3:30 pm	
	Fees:
https://www.acbanet.org/need-a-	\$35.00 for referrals to two attorneys for 30 minute
lawyer/	consultations. Attorneys charge \$200 – 400/hour for services.

Useful Websites

Blank Judicial Council Forms & Instructions

- Divorce Forms: http://courts.ca.gov/8218.htm
- Custody/Visitation Forms: http://courts.ca.gov/1192.htm
- Paternity Forms: http://courts.ca.gov/1203.htm
- Child Support Forms: http://courts.ca.gov/1199.htm

Divorce or Separation

- Filing for Divorce (Step-by-Step): http://courts.ca.gov/1229.htm
- Responding to a Divorce Petition: http://courts.ca.gov/1034.htm

Child Custody

- Requesting a Child Custody Order: http://courts.ca.gov/1185.htm
- Modifying a Child Custody Order: http://courts.ca.gov/1187.htm

Child Support

- Requesting a Child Support Order: http://courts.ca.gov/1194.htm
- Modifying a Child Support Order: http://courts.ca.gov/1196.htm

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