

Legal Assistance List For Special Education Due Process Disputes

This legal assistance list is intended to comply with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 392-172A-05080(3)(a). This list is divided into three parts. The first part is a list of free or low cost legal service providers. Free or low cost legal service providers have eligibility criteria which you must meet in order to be accepted as a client. The second part is a list of public (not for profit) organizations that assist parents but are not legal service providers. The third part is a list of attorneys who have experience and/or interest in special education. Each attorney has their own fee schedule. Some attorneys have indicated a willingness to reduce their hourly rate on a case-by-case basis at their discretion. The state and local bar associations may also maintain lawyer referral service lists by specialty areas, including education law.

These persons and organizations have requested their names be placed on this list. They are not screened by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) or the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH). Only active members of the Washington State Bar Association, and others as authorized by law, may practice law in Washington. **This list is not a recommendation or endorsement for any particular service provider. To review the current bar status of any attorney on this list, go to www.wsba.org, to view the Lawyer Directory. It is your responsibility to check with the state bar association to ensure that any attorney is a member in good standing.**

FREE OR LOW COST LEGAL SERVICES

Northwest Justice Project
Special Education Clinic: 206-707-7297
Toll-Free: 1-888-201-1012
TTY: 1-877-211-9274
Online intake: <https://nwjustice.org/apply-online>
Offices statewide: visit www.nwjustice.org

NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Learning Disabilities Association of Washington
16315 NE 87th Street, Suite B-10
Redmond, WA 98052
425-882-0820 (Not Attorneys)
(Referrals to attorneys)
nsobich@ldawa.org
www.ldawa.org

PAVE - services available statewide
(worldwide for military families)
6316 S 12th Street (Main Office)
Tacoma, WA 98465
253-565-2266 x115
800-5-PARENT x115
Non-attorneys – referrals to attorneys list & assistance in preparation
website: <https://wapave.org/get-help/>

OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

The Governor's Office of the Education Ombuds (OEO) is a state agency that provides coaching, support, and training to families and schools to facilitate productive communication and collaborative problem-solving. OEO cannot provide legal advice, formal dispute resolution, enforcement, or assistance with due process hearings.

Governor's Office of the Education Ombuds
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