



# Montana Legal Services Association Application for Assistance

Complete the application to the best of your ability. All the information you provide in this application is private. We will not share without your permission.

**What type of problem do you need help with?** (circle all that apply)

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|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Custody/parenting   | Money problems                 | Eviction                   |
| Divorce             | Money taken from account/wages | Return of security deposit |
| Order of protection | Vehicle repossessed            | Housing subsidy/voucher    |
| Victim of Crime     | TANF                           | Mobile home issues         |
| Tax issues          | SNAP/ Food stamps              | Wills/ Estates             |
| Employment          | Medicaid                       | Other _____                |

**Applicant Information:**

First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other names you have gone by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Party Information:** Provide the following information about the other person, agency, or business in your case. For example, in a divorce that person would be your spouse. For custody, that would be another parent or guardian. For housing, it would be your landlord. If you've had funds taken from your bank account, it would be the financial institution and the creditor who took your money.

Full name of person, agency or business:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other names the other party has gone by:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Party DOB: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Are you a citizen of the United States? (circle one)    Yes    No  
 (If yes, please sign below)

*Attestation:*

I am a citizen of the United States

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

**Applicant Contact Information:**

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Safe to send you mail at the address above? Yes No

Daytime number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ If mobile phone, is texting okay? Yes No

Another daytime phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Is it safe to call you at the phone number(s) above? Yes No

Do you need an Interpreter? Yes No What language? \_\_\_\_\_

If you did not provide us a safe address or phone number to contact you, you will need to call MLSA.

**Hearings and Deadlines:** (circle yes or no)

- Have you been served with court documents? Yes No

If yes, what date were you served with papers? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you file an answer to the petition/ complaint/ motion? Yes No

- Are there any deadlines that you know of? Yes No

If yes, what is the deadline? \_\_\_\_\_

- Is there a hearing scheduled? Yes No

If yes, what is the date and time of the hearing? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please be aware** that there are strict time deadlines for filing any lawsuit. If you wait too long to file your claim or lawsuit, your case will be dismissed. For that reason, it's important not to wait too long to consult with an attorney.

**MLSA Newsletter:** Would you like to stay informed about MLSA's work with our quarterly newsletter? Yes/ No (If yes, be sure to include your email address above)

**Need legal information?** Visit [www.MontanaLawHelp.org](http://www.MontanaLawHelp.org). You can find legal information and forms for legal problems such as divorce, parenting plans, landlord / tenant issues and public benefits.

**NOTE:** Do not include any detail about your legal issue. We will contact you by phone to get those details. If we cannot assist you because of ethical rules that apply to all law firms, we will return to you any confidential information you have provided to us.

Mail or fax this form to the Montana Legal Services Association (MLSA). If you do not hear from us within 3 business days, please feel free to call MLSA at 800-666-6899.

**Our mailing address is:**  
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616 Helena Avenue, Suite 100  
Helena, MT 59601

**Our fax number is:**  
(406) 442-9817