Legal Aid

Legal Aid Certificates

Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Services Corporation (NALSC) issues legal aid certificates to NAN clients who qualify under Legal Aid Ontario's eligibility guidelines.

Lawyers Lists

NALSC prepares lawyers lists that include the name and phone number of lawyers who take legal aid cases by region. Lawyers lists are available on our website, through your CLW, or by calling or visiting our offices.

Duty Counsel Roster

NALSC maintains a roster of duty counsel lawyers for advance and court days in NAN communities.

Advice Lawyer Services

NALSC has a rotation of lawyers who provide free summary legal advice and referrals without appointments. An advice lawyer is available every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1- 5 PM EST by telephone or walk-in to Thunder Bay.

Contact Information

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COMMUNITY LEGAL WORKERS

Are you from a NAN community and have you been charged?

Do you need a lawyer or Legal Aid?

Are you looking for more information about your rights?

Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Services Corporation, October 2023

Community Legal Workers

- Provide legal information and referrals to members of NAN communities.
- Liaise with justice personnel and First Nation leadership on court and justice issues.
- Complete legal aid applications with clients and help them find lawyers.
- Help clients navigate legal processes.
- Attend advance and list court days in NAN communities.
- Assist clients in completing routine forms.
- Make referrals to NALSC Programs.

Connection to NALSC for referrals, clinic days and services

Community Legal Workers

Interpreters for clients, duty counsel and defense lawyers

Commissioners of Oaths for Taking Affidavits

Courts

Community Legal Workers (CLWs) attend court on advance and list days in each of the communities they serve.

CLWs may also attend court in northern urban centres if there are NAN members requiring assistance.

Duty counsel is available on advance and list days for community members with matters before the court.

Duty counsel offers free summary legal advice to all community members on advance days without an appointment.

Public Legal Education

The Public Legal Education and Communications Officer works with CLWs and other NALSC programs to receive requests from communities for clinic days, workshops, presentations and more information on legal topics.



Legal Aid Staff in Kasibonika First Nation

Clinic Days

Clinic days allow NAN community members to get more information on specific legal topics and their legal rights.

During clinic days, presentations, radio shows, and drop-in sessions on the legal topics are offered in the community.

A lawyer is also present to answer legal questions.

Requests for clinic days can be made by community leadership on our website, or by calling or visiting NALSC or talking to a CLW.