

TELEPHONE AND WEBSITE INFORMATION

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For Legal Assistance and Research

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Agency or Topic	Contact / Website	Telephone
UF Levin College of Law	www.law.ufl.edu	(352) 273-0800
State and County Government: Alachua County Clerk of the Court State of Florida Florida Legislature Florida Statutes	www.co.alachua.fl.us/ www.clerk-alachua-fl.org/clerk/pubrec.html www.myflorida.com www.leg.state.fl.us www.flsenate.gov/statutes/	
Civil Legal Assistance for Indigent Clients (meeting low income eligibility requirements)	Virgil Hawkins Civil Clinic (Family and Juvenile Law only; no criminal cases.) Primarily family law in Alachua County.	(352) 273-0800
Civil Legal Assistance for Indigent Clients (meeting low income eligibility requirements)	Legal Aid Offices in Florida www.floridalegal.org/ www.floridalegal.org/programs.htm	
Civil Legal Assistance for Indigent Clients (meeting low income eligibility requirements)	Three Rivers Legal Services (Family law, divorces, public benefits, disability, consumer, housing, landlord-tenant, wills, advance directives, domestic violence; no criminal cases.) www.trls.org If you live in Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Gilchrist, Levy or Union counties, call our Gainesville office at 352-372-0519. If this is long distance, call toll-free to our Gainesville office at 1-800-372-0936. If you live in Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee or Taylor counties, call our Lake City office at 386-752-5960. If this is long distance, call toll-free to our Lake City office at 1-800-495-0039. If you live in Clay, Duval, Nassau or St. Johns counties, call our Jacksonville office at 904-394-7450. If this is long distance, call toll-free to our Jacksonville office at 1-866-256-8091.	(352) 372-0519 352-372-0519 1-800-372-0936 386-752-5960 1-800-495-0039 904-394-7450 1-866-256-8091
(Class Action) Cases that raise significant issues and which have the potential to impact others in the same situation	Southern Legal Counsel (fill out complaint form on website) www.southernlegal.org	

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Consumer Assistance	Department of Agriculture & Consumer Affairs (Complaints/inquiries regarding business practice, motor vehicles, food safety, gasoline, pesticides) http://doacs.state.fl.us/consumer/	1-800-435-7352
Courthouse Information and Public Records	Alachua County Clerk of the Court: www.circuit8.org	(352) 374-3636
Courthouse Self-Help (Option to handle their case themselves without lawyers)	Alachua County Courthouse Law Library (packets for filings/ pleadings)	(352) 374-3659
Elder Legal Services	Elder Care of Alachua (call for appointment, mention legal assistance) Other elder care assistance or services: www.shands.org/public/programs/eldercare/	(352) 372-0519 or (352) 265-9040 or 375-3000 (Al'z Place) or 265-9042 (Transportation)
Elder Helpline	Center for Aging Resources Information and referral service; any concerns for age 60 and up	1-800-262-2243
Family Court	Alachua County Family Court Self Help http://www.circuit8.org/family/	(352) 374-3694
General Legal Information and Research	Florida Call-A-Law (a collection of recorded messages providing general information on a variety of basic legal topics) The Florida Bar Association official site www.floridabar.org FloridaLawHelp.org (bilingual) sponsored by Florida Legal Services, Inc. www.floridalawhelp.org Levin College of Law Legal Information Center (Law Library) www.law.ufl.edu/	1-850-561-1200
Inmate Assistance	Florida Institutional Legal Services (Assist prisoners and their families within Florida correctional system; no appeals work.)	378-7891
Immigration	Catholic Charities Bureau , Jacksonville	(904) 854-0673
Juvenile Services	Gator TeamChild/Levin College of Law	(352) 273-0800

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Legal Research by Law Students	<p>This service is not offered. See above.</p> <p>However, if the caller is an attorney and wants to hire a student to perform research, forward caller to Career Services.</p> <p>Members of the bar can call The Law Source.</p>	<p>(352) 273-0860</p> <p>1-800-342-0399</p>
Restoration of Civil Rights	Clinics/Levin College of Law	273-0800
UF Student SFCC Student	Student Legal Services (free legal services to UF students only) SFCC Student Legal Services	392-LAWS 395-4134
UF Faculty Legal Advice	Office of the General Counsel (Legal advice/counseling for UF faculty only)	392-1358
All other cases, including criminal	Florida Bar Referral Service Referrals to local attorneys for one, half-hour initial consultation for no more than \$25. Additional referrals available to qualified callers for assistance to the poor, elderly, disabled (who receive a free initial consultation). Referral service determines eligibility. Callers choose their county, are transferred to a clerk who determines the nature of their case and the proper attorney to whom they should be referred. If the referral attorney cannot take the case, the client can call back and be referred to a new attorney. All information is online; select "find a lawyer" and then "lawyer referral service" from the "in this section" menu. Applications can be submitted online. www.floridabar.org	1-800-342-8011

Resources for Counseling

Alachua County Victim Services (Counseling and advocacy for victims of crime)	352 264-6760
Alachua County Crisis Center (free counseling services—adults and children)	352 264-6789
Alachua County Social Services (provides a broad range of social services to low income residents including assistance with medical and general assistance need (e.g., emergency rent and utilities).	264-6750
ACORN Clinic (Health and dental clinic serves rural areas in the county; located in Brooker & Archer; limited counseling services)	medical 352 485-1133 dental 352 485-2772

Corner Drug Store (Drug Court or Day Reporting & out-patient family counseling)	352 334-3800
Diversified Human Services (Substance abuse, anger management, batterer's intervention, and delinquency prevention through DJJ)	352 335-1880
Equal Access (Health clinic available on a first-come, first-serve basis every Thursday/psychiatric consultation and counseling available on the second Thursday of the month for indigent clients at Family Practice)	392-4541
Helping Hands (Health and mental health clinic for homeless persons including veterans) is available every Monday evening at the Salvation Army	376-1743
Malcolm Randall VA Medical Center (Mental health service for veterans)	352 376-1611x 6014
Mental Health Volunteer Corps of United Way These are mental health professionals who are willing to provide counseling services to clients who can afford to pay something but not more than \$25-\$35 per session (English and Spanish-speaking counselors are available).	Contact Info & Referral at 332-4636
Meridian Behavioral Healthcare (Community mental health center offers counseling, case management and emergency evaluation)	352 374-5600
Peaceful Paths (Domestic violence counseling & shelter)	352 377-5690 352 377-8255 (24 hr.)
Shands Psychology Clinic (Counseling and evaluation services)	352 265-0294
Shands at Vista (Emergency evaluation and stabilization)	352 265-5497
Shands at Eastside (Health clinic, social workers and psychologists are available for crisis and short-term counseling and case management services)	352 395-7020
UF Student Mental Health Services (Mental health counseling for UF students)	352 392-1171
UF Counseling Center (Mental health counseling for UF students)	352 392-1575
UF Counselor Education Clinic (Free counseling services for the community)	352 392-0731 x 222
United Way of North Central Florida	332-4636 http://www.unitedwayncfl.org/