

The Family Law
Facilitator / Self Help
Center provides free
legal assistance in the
following areas:

Divorce

Support for children and
spouses, including cases
involving the Department of
Child Support Services.

Custody and Visitation

Establishing Parental Rights
and Paternity

Step-parent Adoptions

Name changes

Restraining Orders in Domestic
Violence and Civil Harassment

Guardianships, establishment
and termination

Some limited civil matters such
as Evictions and Debt
Collection

Information and Referral to
Community Services

DISCLOSURE

The family Law Facilitator/Self
Help Center helps parents and
other parties who have questions
about the legal issues listed in this
brochure. The Center can help
you prepare your own forms and
can give you general legal
information. The Family Law
Facilitator/Self Help Center staff
cannot go with you to court.

The Family Law Facilitator/Self
Help Center staff are not your
attorneys, but are neutral persons
who do not represent any parent
or party. There is no attorney-
client relationship between you
and the Family Law Facilitator/
Self Help Center staff.

The Family Law Facilitator/Self
Help Center staff may provide
information to the other party in
your case.

Communications between you and
the Family Law Facilitator/Self
Help Center staff are not
confidential. You should consult
with your own attorney if you want
personalized advice or strategy, to
have a confidential conversation,
or to be represented by an attorney
in court.

The Family Law Facilitator/ Self
Help Center staff is not responsible
for the outcome of your case.

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Facilitator
Self Help
Center



Superior Court
of California
County of Sonoma

Civil and Family Courthouse
3055 Cleveland Avenue
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
(707) 521-6545

OFFICE HOURS

We are open for drop in service on the following days and times:

Monday

8:00 a.m. to 11:30

1:00 p.m. to 3:30

Tuesday, Wednesday
and Thursday

8:00 a.m. to 11:30

Other hours are reserved for workshops and appointments only

Our website address:
www.sonoma.courts.ca.gov

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Before visiting the Family Law Facilitator / Self Help Center, we suggest you visit the Judicial Council Self-Help website at www.courts.ca.gov for court forms, detailed information and instructions.

Also visit the Family Law Facilitator Self Help Center website at www.sonoma.courts.ca.gov to find local forms, checklists, instructions, and sample forms.

Upon arrival at the Family Law Facilitator Self Help Center, you will be asked to sign in. Before answering any questions, staff must conduct a short interview. Service is on a first come, first served basis. Sometimes there is a long wait. We will need to know if you have an existing case and the case number. Bring your court filings and your most recent court order.

We may be able to help you at the time of your visit, or schedule you for a future workshop, or have you complete some homework before you can proceed.

OTHER LEGAL SERVICE RESOURCES

Legal Aid Sonoma County 144 S. E St, Ste 100, Santa Rosa, CA 707-542-1290
Evictions, Restraining Orders including Domestic Violence, Guardianships

Sonoma County Legal Services Foundation: Modest Means Attorney Referral Service. 707-546-2924

Lawyer Referral Service, Sonoma County Bar Association, Full Fee, Limited Scope or Unbundled, Attorney Services. 707-546-5297

California Department of Child Support Services, Sonoma County: 868-901-3212 toll free; www.sonoma-county.org/dcss/

Recourse Mediation Services: 707-525-8545

California Association of Legal Document Assistants: www.calda.org

Empire College Law Clinics: 546-5900 Elder Law, Small Claims clinic, Disability Law, Immigration.

California Rural Legal Assistance: Eviction, Employment, Education 528-9941

Senior Legal Hotline: 800-222-1753 Free legal advice over the phone on any subject to people over 60 years old.

Self-Help California Courts: Families, Divorce, Eviction, Consumer Debt, and more. www.courts.ca.gov