Our Mission

- The Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York (LASMNY) is a nonprofit legal aid provider committed to advancing justice and ensuring equal access to legal services for individuals and communities who cannot afford representation.
- We secure basic needs, protect and preserve legal rights, and promote equal access to justice.
- We help victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking to resolve legal problems caused by the abuse or violence.

About LASMNY

- We are a public interest law firm.
- We are not a government agency.
- We provide assistance and representation in civil cases, as well as victim advocacy in the criminal justice process. We do <u>not</u> handle defense in criminal cases.
- Our services are free. We believe that everyone has the right to equal justice regardless of the ability to pay.
- Our lawyers are well trained and committed to making a difference in the lives of those we serve.

Areas We Serve

Our CNY Victim Assistance Project serves the following 12 counties in the Central New York region: Broome, Cayuga, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Oswego and Otsego. For services in Onondaga County, contact the Hiscock Legal Aid Society at (315) 422-8191 or hlalaw.org.



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Cases We Handle

Family Law: Divorce, orders of protection, custody, child and spousal support, name changes Housing: Foreclosures, evictions, subsidized housing, discrimination against victims of violence Consumer: Identity theft, debt collection, repossession, wage garnishment, bankruptcy Public Benefits: Denials and terminations Immigration: Citizenship, VAWA self petitions, T- and U-visas, employment authorization, green card renewals

Employment: discrimination against victims of violence, reasonable accommodations **School Issues:** advocacy and representation for survivors of campus sexual assault **Victims' Rights:** victim advocacy in criminal court, crime victims' compensation applications, victim impact statements

Health Law: Access to health insurance and care
Privacy: Protection of privacy rights
Post-conviction relief: Sealing, expungement,
certificates of relief and good conduct
Estate planning: wills, health care proxies, powers
of attorney



Our Services

Our services are free and confidential.

If you qualify for services, a lawyer from our program can give you advice about your legal problem. A lawyer in one of our offices may be able to represent you in court. Sometimes, we can refer your case to a probono, volunteer lawyer in the community.

Our staff and pro bono attorneys are trained in trauma-informed, victim-centered advocacy.

How to Get Help

If you need legal help:
call our HelpLine at 1-877-777-6152
or visit www.lasmny.org/intake.

If you are a victim of campus sexual assault,
call: 1-833-400-YANA (9262) (M-F 9AM-5PM)



If you need an interpreter, we will provide one free of charge

Important: You do not become a client of the Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York (LASMNY) until a lawyer talks with you and agrees to take your case.

Application Process

- HelpLine intake screeners are available by phone Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
- Walk-in hours vary by office. Please go to our website (lasmny.org) to confirm an office is open.
- You can also apply online 24/7 at <u>lasmny.org/intake</u>. An intake screener will contact you during HelpLine hours.
- Please note: HelpLine hours may change for holidays, staff training, and/or other reasons. Apply online when our HelpLine is closed.
- Please do not wait until your hearing date or deadline has passed to contact us. You may lose important legal rights.
- If you do not hear back from someone within five (5) business days, please stop in to one of our offices right away.

