

FINDING A PRIVATE ATTORNEY

Dade County Bar Lawyer Referral Service

Do you think you have a legal problem and don't know an attorney? There are several ways you can find an attorney who may be able to assist you.

1. Ask your friends and family if they have an attorney they would recommend.
2. Search the yellow pages or online for an attorney that handles the type of legal issue you need assistance with.
3. Call the Dade County Bar Lawyer Referral Service at (305) 371-2646.

INFORMATION

The Dade County Bar Lawyer Referral Service is open Monday through Friday, 9:00am until 5:00pm. Your call will be answered by a lawyer referral staff member who will take your name, address, and telephone number, and will ask you to state your legal problem briefly. Any information you give will be confidential. The Lawyer Referral service will provide you with a name, address and telephone number of an attorney in your area who handles the type of case you describe. After your first meeting with the attorney, it is up to you to decide whether to retain the attorney and proceed with your case.

THE COST

You must pay \$50.00 in advance to obtain a referral to an attorney. **If you qualify and your case involves one of the following areas of law (Medicare/Medicaid, Military/Veteran's Benefits, Social Security, Social Security Disability, Personal Bankruptcy or Mortgage Foreclosure), you may be charged a reduced rate for the referral.** The fee must be paid by credit card over the phone; or in person by money order or cash.

With this payment you will receive a **30 minute consultation** with the referred attorney. **You may ask for a referral to an attorney who is on the Low Fee Panel. If you qualify, you will be referred to a private attorney who charges a reduced fee.** If you do not qualify, you will be referred to an attorney who does not participate in the Low Fee Panel.

This information is provided by:

LEGAL SERVICES OF GREATER MIAMI, INC.

MAIN OFFICE
3000 Biscayne Boulevard,
Suite 500
Miami, FL 33137
Telephone: 305-576-0080
TDD: 305-573-1578

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CENTER**
10720 Caribbean Blvd., #400
Miami, FL 33189
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TDD: 305-573-1578

**LEGAL SERVICES OF THE
FLORIDA KEYS**
Telephone: (877) 715-7464
TDD: (877) 715-7461
Toll Free

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

You may be eligible to be represented by the Public Defender if you are facing jail time of more than one year.

Miami-Dade County

If your criminal case is in Miami-Dade County contact:

The Miami-Dade County Public Defender
1320 NW 14th Street
Miami, Florida
(305) 545-1600

Monroe County

If your criminal case is in Monroe County contact:

The Monroe County Public Defender
524 Eaton Street
Key West, FL
(305) 292-3585 (Key West)
(305) 289-6015 (Marathon)

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