

## DO YOU NEED HELP WITH YOUR FAMILY LAW CASE?

The court clerks can give you forms to use in your case, but they cannot give you legal advice or tell you how to prepare those forms. However, there are many other places where you can get help filling out your forms and preparing your case to go to court. Many legal services are offered right across the street from the courthouse at the **Marin Justice Center**, 30 North San Pedro Road, San Rafael, CA 94903.

### **FREE HELP PREPARING YOUR COURT PAPERS**

If you do not have a lawyer, you can get free assistance at **Legal Self Help Services**, which has easy-to-use computer programs to help you complete your forms and an extensive library of materials related to divorce. Services are also provided in Spanish. Usually, someone there can help you find the right forms and assist you with the process. Legal Self Help Services is located at the Marin County Superior Court, 3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 244, San Rafael, CA 94903, (415) 444-7130.

### **FREE HELP IF YOU HAVE CHILD OR SPOUSAL SUPPORT ISSUES**

If you need assistance with child or spousal support problems, you can get free help from Ali Quam, the **Family Law Facilitator**. You may call her at (415) 444-7130 to make an appointment to see her at the **Legal Self Help Services** (address above).

### **LOW COST LEGAL ADVICE AND FAMILY LAW LAWYERS**

You can get low-cost legal advice and representation from the **Family & Children's Law Center**, which provides advice in family law matters such as domestic violence, divorce, paternity, child custody and visitation, child support and spousal support. Fees are based on a sliding scale, from \$0 to \$150 per hour based on your income. The Center is located at the Marin Justice Center, 30 North San Pedro Road, Suite 245, San Rafael, CA 94903, (415) 492-9230.

The **Lawyer Referral Service (LRS)**, part of the **Marin County Bar Association**, can recommend qualified lawyers who may be able to help you with your legal issues. Your first 30-minute consultation with the lawyer is \$35. LRS is located at the Marin Justice Center, 30 North San Pedro Road, Suite 140, San Rafael, CA 94903, (415) 499-1813. You may wish to speak to a lawyer about "**unbundled**" **legal services**, where the lawyer is hired only for a limited purpose, such as writing up an agreement, or appearing in court for a specific hearing.

### **FREE INTERNET HELP**

There are many web sites where you can find user-friendly help filling out forms and information about how to process your case. Here are some helpful sites:

#### State Self Help Center

[www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)

#### Marin County Superior Court

[www.marincourt.org/family\\_services.htm](http://www.marincourt.org/family_services.htm)

#### Marin County Bar Association

[www.marinbar.org](http://www.marinbar.org)

#### Forms

[www.ezlegalfile.org/index.jsp](http://www.ezlegalfile.org/index.jsp)

[www.icandocs.org](http://www.icandocs.org)

[www.courtinfo.ca.gov/forms](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/forms)

#### California Statutes

[www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html)

#### Further Information

[www.lawhelpcalifornia.org/CA/index.cfm](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org/CA/index.cfm)