

## ACCESSING LEGAL SERVICES

DACSSA is not able to provide legal advice or representation to our clients. We are, however, able to refer you to many organisations in South Australia that can help with legal concerns for a range of issues, either free of charge or for a fee.



### GENERAL SERVICES

#### JusticeNet

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [justicenet.org.au](http://justicenet.org.au)

**Phone:** 08 8313 5005

JusticeNet SA offers free legal help to individuals and charitable organisations. Their aim is to provide a 'safety net' for individuals who cannot afford a lawyer or get the help they need from elsewhere.

#### The Law Society of South Australia

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [lawsocietysa.asn.au](http://lawsocietysa.asn.au)

**Phone:** 08 8229 0200

The Law Society can connect clients with a range of South Australian lawyers and law firms able to provide legal advice and assistance, across a range of specialist areas. They also offer a legal advisory service for a minimal administration fee.

#### Legal Services Commission of South Australia

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [lsc.sa.gov.au](http://lsc.sa.gov.au)

**Phone:** 1300 366 424

The Legal Services Commission can provide legal advice, community education and legal representation for many situations. Legal representation can be performed after a successful application for Legal Aid. Women's Domestic Court Assistance Service ('WDVCAS') has also been handed to the Legal Services Commission from the VSS.

## SPECIFIC SERVICES

### Northern Community Legal Service

**Location:** Northern Zone

**Website:** [northerncommunitylegalservice.weebly.com](http://northerncommunitylegalservice.weebly.com)

**Phone:** 08 8281 6911

NCLS provides a free legal aid service for people living in Adelaide's northern suburbs and the mid-north. They provide legal services to people facing disadvantage and individuals who cannot afford a lawyer including people experiencing, or at risk of family violence.

### Roma Mitchell Community Legal Centre

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** nil

**Phone:** 08 8362 1199

Roma Mitchell Centre offer free legal advice and referral, with a focus on the promotion of human rights and First Nations Reconciliation.

### Southern Community Justice Centre

**Location:** Southern, South East and Riverland Zone

**Website:** [communityjusticesa.org.au](http://communityjusticesa.org.au)

**Phone:** 1300 850 650

Southern Community Justice Centre is a not-for-profit, community based organisation servicing inner southern Adelaide extending to the Fleurieu Peninsula, that offers individuals a free, confidential initial consultation with a qualified solicitor regardless of their level of income and assets. Ongoing assistance and court representation where relevant are provided at no cost to eligible clients.

### Uniting Communities Law Centre

**Location:** Central, Inner south, Inner North, Eastern, Adelaide Hills and Mount Barker areas

**Website:** [unitingcommunities.org/services/financial-legal-services/legal-services/](http://unitingcommunities.org/services/financial-legal-services/legal-services/)

**Phone:** 08 8342 1800

**Phone:** 1300 886 220 (country callers)

The Law Centre provides free legal information, advice, representation, referral and assistance to the community. They provide advice on family law, minor criminal matters, traffic offences, consumer complaints, tenancy, debt, neighbourhood disputes, and employment.

### WestSide Lawyers

**Location:** Western, Mid North and Outback Zones

**Website:** [westsidelawyers.net](http://westsidelawyers.net)

**Phone:** 08 8340 9009 (Hindmarsh)

**Phone:** 08 8633 3600 (Port Pirie)

WestSide Lawyers provides legal assistance to financially or otherwise disadvantaged people in Adelaide's western suburbs and the lower Flinders Ranges in South Australia—first session free.

### Consumer Credit Law Centre South Australia

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [consumercreditsa.org](http://consumercreditsa.org)

**Phone:** 08 8342 1800

**Phone:** 1300 886 220 (country callers)

The CCLCSA focuses on helping people to resolve consumer credit problems including debt, hardship, credit law issues involving disputes with creditors, bankruptcy, mortgage stress, inability to negotiate payment plans and conduct by creditors. It is a free service and provides access to specialist legal advice, financial counselling and legal representation in areas of credit, banking and finance.

## SPECIFIC SERVICES CONTINUED

### Equal Opportunity Commission Legal Advice Service

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [law.adelaide.edu.au/free-legal-clinics/equal-opportunity-commission-legal-advice-service](http://law.adelaide.edu.au/free-legal-clinics/equal-opportunity-commission-legal-advice-service)

**Phone:** 08 8207 1977

The service provides free legal advice on areas of Equal Opportunity Law, such as discrimination, harassment, victimisation, assistance in drafting legal documentation, statements, and preparation for conciliation and tribunal hearings.

### Family Violence Legal Service Aboriginal Corporation (SA)

**Location:** Port Augusta, Port Lincoln, Ceduna

**Website:** [fvlsac.org.au](http://fvlsac.org.au)

**Phone:** 1800 111 052 (Port Augusta)

**Phone:** 1800 309 912 (Port Lincoln)

**Phone:** 1800 839 059 (Ceduna)

FVLSAC is a free community legal service assisting Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander victim/survivors of family violence and/or sexual assault in South Australia. They work with families and communities affected by violence, providing services face-to-face and/or by telephone.

### Refugee Advocacy Service of South Australia (RASSA)

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [rassa.org.au](http://rassa.org.au)

**Phone:** 0401 247 224

RASSA provides a pro bono service to assist people seeking asylum who are residing in South Australia and are being processed under the “fast track” to apply for protection visas.

### Tenants Information and Advisory Service (TIAS)

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [syc.net.au/home/housing-support/tias](http://syc.net.au/home/housing-support/tias)

**Phone:** 1800 060 462

The South Australian Tenants Information and Advisory Service (TIAS) is a free, independent service providing legal advice and helping people maintain their tenancies in private rental, community housing or public housing.

### Women’s Legal Service South Australia (WLSSA)

**Location:** Adelaide

**Website:** [wlssa.org.au](http://wlssa.org.au)

**Phone:** 08 8231 8929

**Phone:** 1800 655 037

WLSSA is a non-profit organisation that provides free legal advice and assistance to women in South Australia who experience domestic violence and family law matters.

## DISABILITY ROYAL COMMISSION

### Your Story

**Location:** National

**Website:** [yourstorydisabilitylegal.org.au](http://yourstorydisabilitylegal.org.au)

**Phone:** 1800 77 1800

Your Story Disability Legal Support is a free legal advisory service available to help you interact with the Disability Royal Commission. It is available to:

- people with disability
- their families
- carers
- supporters and
- advocates.

The Australian Government funds the service, which is delivered by Legal Aid Commissions and the community-controlled Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services in each state and territory (except Queensland where it is delivered by the Queensland Indigenous Family Violence Legal Service).

Your Story is independent and separate from the Disability Royal Commission and will only share your information if you give consent.