PCLS and Blurred Borders Project

Blurred Borders is a collaborative Commonwealth-funded multi-agency project being led by Legal Aid WA.

Focusing on the East Kimberley WA and western Northern Territory cross-border region, Legal Aid WA has developed a range of client communication resources, using visual art, plain language and storytelling, to help explain key legal concepts around bail, criminal process and family violence.

The Blurred Borders resources help people to:

- Better understand legal concepts
- Communicate more effectively about the law
- Make informed legal choices, and actively participate in legal processes.



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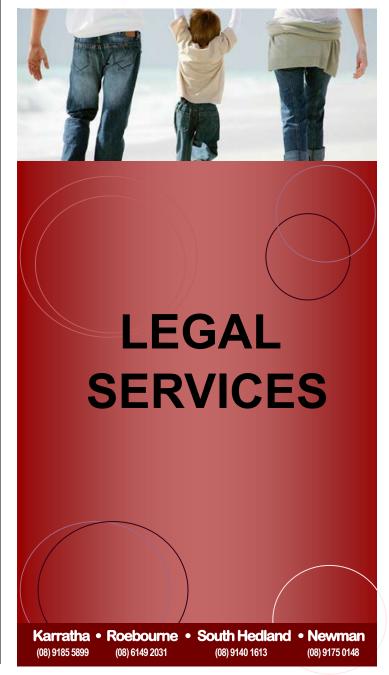


Open 8:00am- 4:00pm Monday to Friday
To ensure that we can assist you as soon as
possible, please phone ahead and make an
appointment.

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After separation parents may need family law advice about the future arrangements for the children or advice about dividing property between them.

Property Settlement

We offer limited assistance in relation to property settlements including:

- General advice regarding the process of initiating and finalising financial relations with your partner.
- General assistance with filling in court forms.
- Making appropriate referrals to other services.

Parenting

We can provide advice only and appropriate referrals in areas such as:

- · Where the children will live.
- How much time they will spend with the other parent.
- Parenting Plans and Parenting Orders.
- Location and Recovery Orders.
- · Breach of Court Orders.

Divorce

We provide advice and assistance with the process and drafting of court documents.

Family Violence Legal Service

We provide advice and in appropriate cases we provide limited representation in the Magistrates Court for care and protection and restraining order matters.

We encourage prospective clients to make contact with us at any early stage, as often our lawyers are able to resolve these matters prior to the matter proceeding to trial. Our lawyers provide advice in relation to:

- Restraining Orders
- Negotiating resolution prior to the matter proceeding to trial
- Court representation (where appropriate)

We also offer advice in relation to other types of restraining orders such as misconduct orders.

Unfortunately we are unable to assist in preparing Family Court documents where the matter is disputed or where there is complex ongoing litigation or in preparing matters for trial. We do not represent clients in the Family Court of Western Australia but our aim is to assist and support clients who are or will be representing themselves.

Criminal Injuries Compensation

Victims of Family Violence and victims of any other crime who have suffered bodily harm, or psychological injury as a result of the crime then you may be eligible to claim Criminal Injuries Compensation.

There is a three year limitation period to make a claim for Criminal Injuries Compensation although it is possible to make a request for an extension of time to make the application for compensation.

Our lawyers can assist you to submit your claim and apply for the necessary supporting documentation.

Wills and Estates

Our lawyers can assist with:

- · Drafting simple Wills
- Deceased estates including assisting widowed family members apply for probate.
- Applications for Enduring Powers of Attorney and Guardianship.









