

Law Centre (NI)

Law Centre (NI) provides services in mental health, social security, community care, employment and immigration law through its specialist advice units.

The Law Centre operates from two regional offices providing services to our members across Northern Ireland.

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How can the LSP help?

The LSP (Legal Support Project) is part of Law Centre (NI) and is funded by Atlantic Philanthropies.

The LSP helps claimants who do not have access to representation in social security appeals tribunals and industrial tribunals.

The casework is done by volunteers who are trained and supported by Law Centre (NI) staff

How can we help our members?

If your organisation is a member of Law Centre (NI) and you have a case in which you are unable to offer advice or representation, you can refer the case to the LSP for help. Our volunteer representatives may be able to:

- provide advice
- prepare the case
- undertake negotiations or
- represent at tribunal hearings

How can we help individuals?

As Law Centre (NI) is a referral organisation, we can only help if a case is referred to us by one of our member organisations. If you want help with an employment case or social security appeal tribunal and you are not a member of Law Centre (NI), you should contact an independent advice centre or your local Citizens Advice Bureau. If they are unable to help, they can refer your case to the LSP if appropriate. We do not advise members of the public directly.

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Volunteer with the LSP

If you have some knowledge of social security, employment or another area of law, you may be interested in volunteering with the LSP.

The project seeks volunteers from a wide variety of legal backgrounds and experience. It will be of particular interest to law graduates and newly qualified lawyers who want to gain valuable experience, and those wishing to refresh their skills after a break from legal practice.

The LSP will train and support volunteers to undertake the casework.

We are also looking for experienced legal practitioners to provide pro bono support. This could involve:

- doing some representation at tribunals
- delivering specialist training to volunteers or
- mentoring volunteers

You can download a volunteer application form from our website at www.lawcentreni.org or, if you want to find out more, contact the LSP directly.

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