

DO I QUALIFY FOR THESE SERVICES?

The goal of the Senior Legal Services Program is to provide quality legal services for residents of Warren, Washington, and Hamilton Counties who are 60 years of age and over. You are particularly encouraged to take advantage of this program if you:

- are low-income
- reside in a nursing home, adult home, or have assisted living needs or live in an assisted living arrangement
- have chronic health problems or problems of access to health care
- are homeless or threatened with homelessness
- live on a subsistence income or are threatened with the loss of a subsistence income
- have limited English proficiency
- are victims of abuse, neglect or exploitation
- are physically isolated

OUR MISSION

The Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York provides effective, free civil legal services and education to and advocacy for people with low income or other barriers to accessing the legal system. We secure basic needs, protect and preserve legal rights, provide equal access to justice and seek fairness and dignity for our clients.

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To donate to our annual fund drive, contact Deanne Grimaldi at dgrimaldi@lasnny.org

**For more information,
call Senior Legal Services at the
Legal Aid Society of Northeastern
New York, Inc. at
518-587-5188 or 1-800-870-8343
between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.**

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Senior Legal Services Program

***Serving Senior Citizens ages 60
and over in Warren, Washington
and Hamilton Counties***



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WHAT WE DO

Senior Legal Services are funded through subcontracts with the Washington County Office for the Aging and the Warren/Hamilton Counties Office for the Aging to provide easily accessible, high quality, coordinated, civil legal services to seniors in Warren, Washington, and Hamilton Counties regardless of their income. While priority may be given to lower income seniors, as long as resources permit, no means prioritization is used.

This project focuses on advanced directives and estate planning. This commonly includes wills, powers of attorney, and health care proxies.

- A will allows you to direct which of your loved ones will receive what share of your assets after you're gone. Without a will, your estate will be distributed according to New York law.
- A power of attorney can let a trusted person of your choice handle your financial matters for you.
- A health care proxy can inform your loved ones of your wishes if you lose the capacity to make decisions for yourself.



For seniors and low income people of all ages, LASNNY handles the follow types of cases:

- **Government Benefits and Unemployment Insurance:**
Denials, cut offs, or reductions in Public Assistance (Welfare), SNAP (formerly Food Stamps), and unemployment insurance benefits
- **Disability:**
Application assistance, denials, and terminations of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability (SSD) benefits
- **Health Care:**
Medicaid, Medicare, long-term managed care services, and hospital care
- **Housing:**
Foreclosures, evictions, utility shut-offs, poor housing conditions, and Section 8 or public housing problems
- **Family Law Matters:**
Domestic violence, some child support matters, and uncontested divorce cases (in some counties)
- **Consumer Problems:**
Debt collection, repossessions, wage garnishments and bankruptcy
- **Children's Legal Issues:**
Children's SSI, education and special education matters
- **Immigration Matters:**
Applications for residency, citizenship and Employment Authorization Documents
- **Disputes with the IRS**

SENIOR LEGAL SERVICES PARTNERS

Warren and Hamilton Counties:

The Warren/Hamilton Counties Office for the Aging

518-761-6347

Washington County:

The Washington County Office for the Aging

518-746-2420

