



## WHAT IS ABA FREE LEGAL ANSWERS?

ABAFreeLegalAnswers.org is a virtual legal advice portal for users to pose legal questions to volunteer attorneys.

- Users must meet income eligibility guidelines
- Questions must be regarding civil legal matters
- Answers are provided by volunteer attorneys in the users' respective states
- Resources are provided to lawyer referral and other legal services projects for those not eligible or who need more in-depth legal representation

ABA Free Legal Answers™ increases services to low-income populations

- ABA Free Legal Answers has, in just over three years of service, received over 100,000 legal questions, over 7,500 pro bono attorney registrations and has 42 jurisdictions committed to participating.
- Provision of brief advice can prevent larger legal crises from developing
- Users in rural areas can access legal resources from across the state
- Provision of brief advice allows legal services staff attorneys to focus on full representation

ABA Free Legal Answers™ increases pro bono opportunities:

- Convenient pro bono opportunity attorneys can fit into their schedule
- Attorneys can log in and provide answers 24/7/365

## HOW CAN MY ORGANIZATION PARTICIPATE?

**Recruit Attorneys to Provide Pro Bono Through ABA Free Legal Answers™**

- Attorneys licensed and in good standing in a participating state can provide pro bono services
- Visit [ABAFreeLegalAnswers.org](http://ABAFreeLegalAnswers.org), click on "Volunteer Attorney Registration" and select the appropriate state

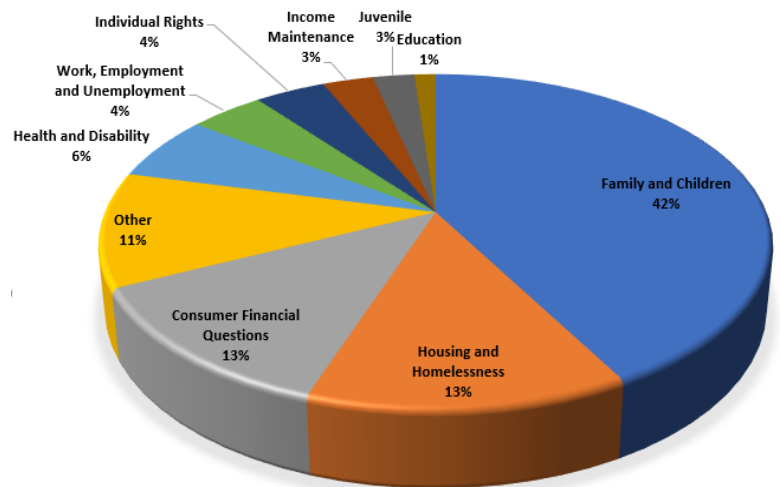
**With Our Mobile-Friendly Platform, You Can:**

- Host online legal clinics
- Encourage team building
- Partner mentors with newer attorneys to draft responses
- Create rewarding partnerships with bar associations, law firms and law schools

**The American Bar Association Provides:**

- Malpractice insurance for all volunteer attorneys
- A national staff person to maintain the site, manage the queue, collect and analyze data and support state administrators
- Web hosting at no cost to participating states

## TYPES OF LEGAL QUESTIONS POSTED



## HOW DO I VOLUNTEER?

Navigate to [ABAFreeLegalAnswers.org](http://ABAFreeLegalAnswers.org)  
Click on "Volunteer Attorney Registration"  
Select your state and follow the prompts

### ABA Free Legal Answers™ and COVID-19 Response

- People can ask questions and lawyers can provide answers without leaving home as long as they have internet access and a computer, tablet or smartphone
- Address pandemic related questions as they arise, including:
  - Custody and visitation questions
  - Unemployment issues
  - Small business questions
  - workplace safety questions
  - unforeseen medical bills
  - unemployment benefits
  - powers of attorney
  - landlord-tenant issues
  - real estate sales and home foreclosures