

WEA ATTORNEY REFERRAL PROGRAM

NEA provides members with full legal protection in employment related concerns. But what if you need legal counsel on a personal matter? NEA's Attorney Referral Program (ARP) was designed to make sure that members have access to affordable legal advice.

The Attorney Referral Program is open to all active, life, support or retired NEA/WEA members and to members' spouses and dependent children. During any program year (from January 1 to December 31), eligible members are entitled to two, free 30-minute consultation sessions with any Association-affiliated attorney.

This benefit allows you to discuss personal legal issues with an attorney to determine whether you need further legal services. In addition to these free consultations, members may have specific legal work performed in five "core" areas at a 30 percent reduction of that attorney's normal fee.

If your personal legal issue falls within any of the "core" areas listed below, the attorney's fees are discounted 30%. You should discuss any fee arrangements at your initial meeting.

REAL ESTATE
WILLS AND ESTATES
DOMESTIC RELATIONS

CONSUMER PROTECTION
TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS (INCLUDES DWI)
BANKRUTPCY

WHAT ISN'T INCLUDED

Certain topics are excluded during your free 30-minute conference: employment matters, member business dealings, preparation of income tax returns, bankruptcies, defense of criminal violations (other than traffic).

Participating attorneys are not permitted to represent a member in any matter in which the opposing party is the NEA, an NEA affiliate, or another NEA member except in separation or divorce proceedings. Court costs, attorney out-of-pocket expenses, filing and service fees are not covered. You are responsible for legal fees and must show you are an NEA member at your initial meeting. The discounted rates only apply to attorneys in the ARP.

If you need assistance for employment related issues, contact your UniServ Council office.

PARTICIPATING ATTORNEYS

There are two participating offices in Spokane:

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To see all of the attorneys in Washington that participate and a listing of the hourly fees for those offices, please go to the WEA Legal Site at https://www.washingtonea.org/membership/legal/