

Resources to help ensure that you are correctly filling out legal forms.



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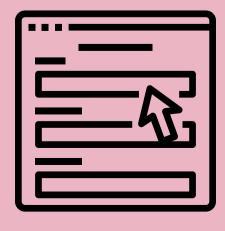
Court Forms

Throughout the litigation process you may need to find and file various forms with the court which can range from Judicial Council standardized forms, Alameda County local court forms, and material drafted on pleading paper.

Filling out these forms can be complicated and intimidating, but the Alameda County Law Library is here to highlight a few resources you can use, other than an attorney, so that you don't feel like you have to figure it out on your own.







Reference Services

CAN

- Librarians can help you find:
 - Samples of filled out forms
 - Guides on how to fill out forms
 - People who can help you fill out forms
 - Interactive online form building tools

CANNOT

Librarians **CANNOT** help you prepare or complete a legal form.

Law Help Interactive



Legal documents made simpler



Are you looking for help filling out forms related to:

- Divorce/Legal Separation/Nullity
- Restraining Orders
 request/response
- Name Change
- Parentage

- Eviction Unlawful Detainer
 - Tenant/Landlord
- Guardianship Petition





Accesss

- Superior Court of California County of Alameda - Self Help Services Page
 - Find the "Forms @ home section"
 - Click the link for "Law Help Interactive (LHI)"
- Continue as guest or create an account



Read and Respond to Questions

- Select the county where you will be filing
- Provide answers to interview questions asked





Obtain your documents

- · Save the created documents









Forms @ home

Last Hall Interacting LHE: ellows you to complete online Interviews for certain boxes of legal actions. Once the Interview is complete the required forms may be printed. Once printed, the forms may be submitted to the Court for filling.



https://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/forms-home

Filed Briefs, Pleadings & Motions

Search legal databases like Bloomberg Law, Westlaw or Lexis Advance for similar documents previously filed with the courts.



Legal Document Assistant (LDA)

Legal Document Assistants (LDA) are professionals that can assist self-represented litigants fill out court forms.

SERVICES

- An LDA cannot perform the unauthorized practice of law, therefore they CANNOT:
 - Suggest what forms need to be filed
 - Provide legal advice
- An LDA may
 - Provide instructions, approved by an attorney, with information on what needs to be filed / other action
 - Fill out forms under direction of the client

REQUIREMENTS

 Legal Document Assistants MUST be Registered and Bonded in the County in which they operate

HOW TO LOCATE

- The California Association of Legal Document Assistants (CALDA) website
- Local County Recorders Office