The Senior Law Project (SLP) provides a wide variety of services, depending on the need and type of problems, including:

- Advice
- Brief Service—e.g., resolving a problem with an agency or repairing a relationship with a landlord.
- Representation in an administrative forum such as the Social Security Administration, Reno Housing Authority and Division of Welfare and Supportive Services.
- · Representation in courts of law.
- Community Legal Education.
- Home visits to aid the provision of services to the homebound.
- Legal information via brochures and website covering a broad spectrum of relevant issues.
- Self-help packets designed to enable seniors to provide self representation.
- Preparation of documents including these listed under "Lifetime Planning Issues" below.



#### Lifetime Planning Issues

- Basic lifetime planning consultation
- Document preparation, including:
  - \* Living Wills
  - \* Simple Wills
  - \* Durable Powers of Attorney for Health Care and Financial Matters.
- ♦ Small Estate Probate (Under \$100,000) and Affidavit of Entitlements

#### **CASE PRIORITIES**

The SLP, with its limited resources, has prioritized the types of cases which most affect low income, frail and minority seniors. Its highest priorities are as follows.



#### **Consumer Matters**

- Enforcement of federal and state consumer laws such as Fair Debt Collection and Truth in Lending Violations.
- ◆ Enforcement of exemption rights/debt issues such as garnishment.
- ♦ Consumer fraud/exploitation.



#### **Housing Issues**

- Landlord/Tenant matters including evictions, termination of housing assistance, denial of housing assistance and living conditions.
- Housing discrimination issues including reasonable accommodation and modifications.
- Public Housing and other subsidized housing issues.
- Mobile Home issues.
- Documents such as Homesteads and Affidavits of Death of Joint Tenant.



#### **Elder Rights Law**

- ♦ Elder abuse/neglect
- Discrimination against elders
- Nursing home rights



### Government Benefits and Entitlements:

Denials, reductions, terminations and overpayments of benefits for:

- ♦ Food Stamps (SNAP)
- Supplemental Security Income Social Security Benefits (excluding disability)
- Unemployment Compensation.
- Tax Controversies—liens, levies, offers in compromise.
- Medicaid and Medicare issues.

## LEGAL SERVICES NOT PROVIDED

- $\Rightarrow$  Criminal Representation
- ⇒ Plaintiffs in personal injury actions, including medical malpractice
- $\Rightarrow$  Real Estate sales and purchases
- ⇒ Divorce Actions
- ⇒ Advice regarding selection of insurance policies
- $\Rightarrow$  Financial Planning

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The SLP provides free legal services to individuals 60 years and older who reside in Washoe County.

The SLP provides counseling and representation in the substantive areas described in this brochure.

Individual requests are further prioritized based on the merits, the importance of the issue to the client and to the senior community and whether other legal resources are available.

Individual circumstances may also determine the level of service provided, for example, advice and referral or full representation in a court of law.

#### OTHER LEGAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

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SOUTHERN NEVADA SENIOR LAW PROGRAM 530 South Las Vegas Blvd. Ste 310 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 702-229-6596 / FAX: 702-384-0314

WASHOE LEGAL SERVICES
299 S. Arlington Avenue
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775-329-2727 / FAX: 775-324-5509
www.washoelegalservices.org

NEVADA STATE BAR REFERRAL Toll Free Number 1-800-789-5747

VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS FOR RURAL NEVADANS P.O. Box 365 904 No. Nevada St. #B Carson City, Nevada 89703 775-883-8278 / 866-448-8276 FAX: 775-883-7211 www.varn.org

NEVADA DISABILITY ADVOCATES & LAW CENTER 1865 Plumas St, Ste 2 Reno, Nevada 89509 775-333-7878 Toll-Free 1-800-992-5715 Fax 775-786-2520

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Esmeralda Counties
530 S. 6th St.
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101
702-386-0404 / 866-432-0404
FAX: 702-388-1641/TDD: 702-386-1059

#### SENIOR LAW PROJECT OF NEVADA LEGAL SERVICES

Serving seniors in Washoe County 1155 E. 9th St., Ste. 25 Reno, Nevada 89512 775-334-3050 / FAX: 775-334-3056

#### **RENO OFFICE**

Serving all other counties and Native Americans Statewide 204 Marsh Ave., Ste. 101 Reno, Nevada 89509 775-284-3491/FAX: 775-284-3497

#### CARSON CITY OFFICE

209 No. Pratt Ave. Carson City, Nevada 89701 775-883-0404

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285 10th Street Elko, Nevada 89801 775-753-5880 / FAX: 775-753-5890

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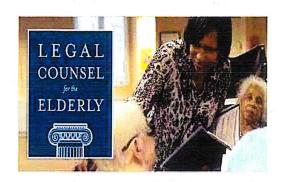
720 S. Main Street, Ste. A Yerington, Nevada 89447

#### SENIOR HELP LINE

Serving all counties and assisting seniors in Nevada through the Senior Help Line 877-693-2163 / FAX: 702-314-3520



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