CLIENT REFERRAL OPTION:

FAMILY LAW FORMS AT THE MJC

If you work with a client at the MVLC that needs assistance with family forms, all forms are available on the Milwaukee Justice Center website. Volunteers are encouraged to complete the forms AT the clinic whenever possible.

If you are unable to assist the client in filling out the forms, please use the quarter sized referral sheet pictured at the right so the client does not have to wait in line again.

Note: it does require the client to get to clinic toward the opening time.
STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD & VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY SPOTLIGHTS

PRAISE FOR VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY, JAMES MALONEY, & LAW SCHOOL STUDENT, ERIK DORE:
"I am grateful for the services offered. The two gentlemen were very helpful and assuring. Very patient with all my questions. I will recommend this service to anyone I feel will or could benefit. Thank you again."

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD Spotlight: Nick Sulpizio. Nick is a second year law student at Marquette from Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Nick graduated with a Bachelor of Science from the University of Delaware. At Marquette, in addition to volunteering with the MVLC, Nick is a member of the Sports Law Society as he is interested in pursuing sports law and business after graduation. In his free time Nick enjoys playing sports and catching up on television shows.

Volunteer Attorney Spotlight: Andy Helminiak.

Attorney Helminiak is a graduate of Marquette Law School and has been an attorney at Stupar and Schuster, SC for the past eight years. Attorney Helminiak’s work is general practice related with an emphasis on creditor rights. Attorney Helminiak is a volunteer with the Mobile Legal Clinic. He decided to get involved in the MVLC to give back after learning so much from the clinics while he volunteered in law school. He finds the group effort between the students, the attorneys, and the clinic staff to be the most crucial aspect of the clinics and allows him and others to help those that otherwise would likely not get the legal assistance they require.

Beyond the MVLC, Attorney Helminiak volunteers at the Lakefront Marathon and the World Beer Festival. Beyond the law, he is a homebrewer and enjoys running, bicycling, and gardening.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS!

Issues that Cannot be Handled at the MVLC:

Criminal Law: Issues related to misdemeanors and felony charges. The MVLC can assist with issues related to municipal tickets, traffic violations, and expungement.

School Law: The MVLC cannot assist with public school law issues related to Independent Education Plans or any case related to Marquette University.

Employment Discrimination: The MVLC cannot help with any employment discrimination issues. These cases can be identified by these words: “sue” + “employer” + “discrimination” + “fired due to age/race/gender etc.” The MVLC can assist with unemployment compensation questions.

Referrals: Please refer only when absolutely necessary!

Before referring, consider: can I assist the client with these forms? Are Legal Aid and Legal Action taking this type of case now (and keep in mind they receive more referrals than they can take)? Would it help the client if I conducted a brief internet search on this issue?

APPELLATE HELP DESK REFERRALS & HOP DRIVE

The Wisconsin State Bar Appellate Practice Section is testing an online Appellate Help Desk for people who are representing themselves in civil appeals. The Appellate Help Desk is available on Tuesdays and Thursdays only. The Appellate Help Desk cannot provide a lawyer to represent clients in their cases, but their volunteers are happy to explain rules and provide information so clients may pursue or defend their rights in a civil appeal. Please note – they cannot assist with criminal appeals. More information is available here.

HOP Winter Clothing and Item Drive: Check the HOP’s website to support out friends at Capuchin Community Services by donating warm gloves, large men’s jackets, sleeping backs, and backpacks for the homeless. Please donate new or gently used items at the St. Ben’s Community Meal site – 1015 North 9th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233.