

DISASTER LEGAL SERVICES



Disaster Legal Services (DLS)

is provided for survivors of presidentially declared major disasters through a Memorandum of Agreement between FEMA and the Young Lawyer's Division of the American Bar Association. DLS cases that are received by FEMA are referred to private attorneys through a lawyer referral service.



Legal Services hotline

1-800-310-7029

Monday to Friday

11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Types of disaster legal assistance local lawyers typically provide:

- ▶ Proof of ownership
- ▶ Assistance with insurance claims for doctor and hospital bills, property loss, loss of life, etc.
- ▶ Counseling and advice about landlord/tenant issues
- ▶ Drafting powers of attorney
- ▶ Home repair contracts and contractor disputes
- ▶ Consumer protection matters
- ▶ Estate administration, including guardianships
- ▶ Advocacy for disaster assistance grants from FEMA and other federal agencies



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