

FINDING THE RIGHT LAWYER

If you think that you need a lawyer, first ask yourself, "What type of legal problem do I have?" No lawyer is an expert in every field of law, and many have chosen to limit their practice to one or more specialties. It's important to choose a lawyer who specializes in the kind of work that you need to have done.

A good way to find a lawyer is through a Lawyer Referral & Information Service.

DuPage county Bar association Referral Service 630/663-9109

In DuPage County, a \$35 fee covers your first 30 minute consultation. After that time, if you wish to hire that attorney, any additional fee should be discussed before finalizing the interview.

Cook County Bar association Referral Service 312/554-2001

For a \$20 referral fee, an appointment will be arranged for you with an attorney who practices in the area of law in which you need assistance.

Scheduling an appointment will help you determine whether you need to hire a lawyer, how long it will take to resolve your legal matter, and how much it will cost. Go to the consultation prepared to use your time wisely. Take any legal papers or documents that apply to your situation, and prepare your questions in advance to make sure that you cover all your concerns.

Other useful numbers are:

Kane County Bar Association 630/232-6416

DuPage County Bar Association 630/653-7779

Cook County Bar Association 312/554-2001