

**El Paso County Bar
Association
Frequently Asked Questions**

Q: Can the Bar Association answer my legal question?

A: The Bar Association does not have any attorneys on staff and cannot give legal advice or information.

Q: Are attorneys required to be members of the Bar Association?

A: No, Bar membership in the State of Colorado is voluntary. Attorneys are not required to be members of the Bar Association to practice law in CO.

Q: Can I file a complaint against an attorney with the Bar Association?

A: Complaints and disciplinary matters are not handled by the Bar Association in Colorado. To file a complaint against an attorney contact the *Office of Attorney Regulation Counsel at 1-877-888-1370.*

Q: Can I visit the Bar office?

A: The Bar does not accept visits from the public. We encourage you to call us or visit us on the web. We look forward to speaking with you!



Legal Services

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Support

The El Paso County Bar Association is proud to have been serving the local legal community since its founding in March 1902. As the principal professional association for attorneys in the Pikes Peak Region, our 1000+ members are proud to give back to our community. This flyer describes the many ways that the El Paso County Bar Association serves our community. For more information, you can visit us at our website, www.elpasocountybar.org.



The mission of the El Paso County Bar Association is to provide legal information and services to its members and to promote respect for the law and the legal profession by the public.

Legal Services

Call- A- Lawyer

On the **third Thursday of each month, from 7-9 pm**, volunteer attorneys from the El Paso County Bar Association answer telephone calls from the public. All calls are anonymous and confidential. **The number to call for this service is (719) 471-0380.** This number is only in effect from 7-9 pm on the third Thursday of each month.

Ask-A-Lawyer

On the **second Saturday of each month from 10 am – 12 pm**, volunteer attorneys from the El Paso County Bar Association answer legal questions from the public, in person, at the **Citadel Mall in Colorado Springs** from **10 am – 12 pm**.

Post Decree Pro Se Clinic

On the **second Tuesday of each month from 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Colorado Legal Services**, attorneys are available to assist and answer questions for Pro Se (self represented) clients with Post Decree matters. Appointments are required, at least one week in advance. **Call 471-0380 x121** to make an appointment.

Lawyer Referral Service

Looking for a qualified attorney? The Lawyer Referral Service is a service of the El Paso County Bar Association which matches pre-screened attorneys with clients at the attorneys customary rates and fees. The LRS charges \$40 for an initial 30 minute

consultation with an attorney, who has been prescreened by our service and meets our criteria for participation, including ongoing legal education, having an insured practice, and relevant case work in specific areas of the law. After the 30 minute consultation, the attorney's regular rates apply. **The LRS can be reached at (719) 636-1532.**

Public Education

Lawyers Reading

The El Paso County Bar Association provides attorneys to come to elementary school classrooms and read to children, books related to the law, the constitution, and the legal profession. To arrange a free reader, call the **Bar Association at (719) 473-9700.**

Speakers Bureau

The El Paso County Bar Association provides attorneys willing to speak on legal topics to schools, churches, and other community groups without charge. To arrange for a free speaker, call **the Bar Association at (719) 473-9700.**

Community Support

Fee Dispute Committee

The El Paso County Bar Association Fee Dispute Committee sets up panels of attorneys that will arbitrate disputes for free

between attorneys and clients involving legal fees. For information call the **Bar Association at (719) 473-9700.**

Attorney Nonprofit Connection

The Attorney Nonprofit Connection connects lawyers willing to provide Pro Bono assistance with established local nonprofits seeking legal support. For more information about the ANC, visit our website at www.elpasocountybar.org and click on 'Organizations.'

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