### FREE LEGAL ADVICE

389-2611

SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT THROUGH SECRETARY





STUDENT ASSOCIATION OFFICE Minnesota State University, Mankato 280 Centennial Student Union Mankato, MN 56001

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# HAVE A QUESTION?

LEGAL MATTER?
LANDLORD ISSUE?
NEED ADVICE?

## Visit the Student Attorney

Student Association

to set up an appointment

389-2611

#### STUDENTS' ATTORNEY

Students of Minnesota State University, Mankato have the right to free legal advice. The Student Association provides a licensed practicing attorney through funding from the student activity fee. Offering legal advice to individual students and researching legal issues for student body governance are the most important functions of the Students' Attorney. The Student's Attorney advises and informs students and special interest groups at MSU on a part-time basis. They also have a private practice in Mankato.

#### COMMUNITY EDUCATION

The Students' Attorney regularly speaks to classes and confers informally with concerned-citizen groups as well as doing publicity-related activity such as radio.

#### **HISTORY**

The Office of the Students' Attorney has existed for about 20 years. It exists by virtue of a special section of Minnesota Statutes (M.S. 136.57) authorizing the use of activity fee money for the hiring of student legal services providers.

### MAKING AN APPOINTMENT

Call 389-2611 or stop by the Student Association Office, room SU280 of the Centennial Student Union. Appointments are necessary and are made through the secretary. **Drop-ins are not preferred** because schedules are usually full. Special arrangements will be made when the adverse party is also a student.

Make sure to bring your current fee statement the day of your appointment.

#### **LEGAL ISSUES**

#### Housing

deposits, leases, conditions

#### Criminal

felony, misdemeanor, traffic

#### Consumer

bankruptcy, insurance, sales contracts, debtor/creditor

#### **Employment**

wages, injuries, unemployment, termination

#### **Domestic**

divorce, paternity, wills, name change

#### **Tort**

injury of non-contract nature, either negligent or intentional, such as assault, car accident and slander

#### \*Academic — limited

financial aids and so forth are referred to a University red-tape cutter and grade appeals are referred to the Senate Academic Affairs Coordinator.

#### FREE CONFIDENTIAL SERVICE

For an appointment . . . call

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(Ask the secretary to schedule you)