

Our Clinic Supervising
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this new program:



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Announcing a new program to provide free civil legal services for qualifying Veterans, including former Guard members separated from service, residing in Ellis, Navarro and Wise Counties.

This program is supported by a grant from the Texas Veterans Commission *Fund for Veterans' Assistance*. *The Fund for Veterans' Assistance* provides grants to organizations serving veterans and their families. For more information visit TVC.Texas.gov.



Fund for Veterans' Assistance

Helping Veterans Start Here



Who helps you at the
Family and Veterans
Advocacy Clinic?

Our Clinic is a law office operated by Texas A&M School of Law, in which students represent clients, under supervision of experienced attorneys.

Our Clinic is funded by the law school and also in part by grants that allow us to provide free legal assistance to qualifying veterans on certain family law and other civil legal issues. Specific types of cases may be restricted by grant criterion.

Who we can help?

- Veterans and former guard members separated from service whose gross income is at or below the federal government poverty income guidelines for veterans.
- Eligible applicants who are current residents of Ellis, Navarro or Wise Counties.

What types of legal
issues do we handle?

- Divorces—with or without domestic violence.
- Protective orders.
- Child custody proceedings.
- Terminations and Adoptions
- Child support and enforcement.
- Landlord / tenant, consumer and other civil legal issues, including wills and end-of-life affidavits.

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- We cannot assist on veterans compensation or pension issues as those are best handled by the Veteran Service Officers (VSOs) in your respective county.
 - We also cannot provide legal assistance to applicants who are in jail nor can we provide any assistance on criminal cases.

How can you ask for assistance?

1. By phone: Call 817-212-4123.

A Clinic staff member will perform an initial phone interview. After your information is reviewed with a supervising attorney, a decision will be made regarding whether or not we can provide legal assistance, after which you will receive a letter with our decision.

2. Online: Go to our law school website.

Go to our law school website is www.law.tamu.edu and click on the legal assistance tab on the upper middle of the page. That will take you to the law school clinic page. Then click on the type of legal issue you want help with (for example, divorce), which will then take you to our Family & Veterans Advocacy Clinic page where you will click on the area to fill out the online application. After your application is reviewed, you will be contacted for an initial interview to determine if you qualify for our services.

How much do our services cost?

Our Clinic does not charge any attorney fees, however an applicant may have to pay all court costs, filing fees and expenses that cannot be waived by the Court.