# REMOVE, READ AND KEEP THIS COVER SHEET FOR YOUR OWN INFORMATION



# **Application for Legal Aid**

Complete the Application Form inside and deliver or send it to the Commission's Adelaide office, whenever possible or if you prefer deliver or send it to your local Legal Services Commission (LSC) office (addresses and phone numbers on the back of this cover sheet).

If you are applying for legal aid through a private solicitor, you should ask your solicitor to send the form to us with a covering letter, and also get that solicitor to sign the Solicitor's Certificate on page 10 of the Application Form.



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEGAL AID

#### 1. PROOF OF MEANS

Before we can process your application we need copies of your:

- (a) Bank statements or passbooks for the last two months,
- (b) Centrelink Income Statement.
- (c) Payslips for the last four weeks (if working),
- (d) Last tax return and last profit & loss statement (if self-employed).

We **must** also have copies of these documents from a financially associated person. A *financially associated person* includes a spouse, de facto, company, trust, partnership or other financial entity. (For full definition of the term please see page 3 of the Application Form <u>under</u> the bold heading: "Means Test-Income and Assets".)

#### 2. OTHER DOCUMENTS

You must also provide copies of relevant court orders, proceedings, summons, bail agreements etc., which relate to the application for legal aid, and which will assist our assessment.

#### 3. CHOICE OF LAWYER

If there is a particular lawyer whom you want to handle your case, write his or her name on the form. If you do not have a particular lawyer in mind, we will choose one for you. If you prefer to see a male or female lawyer, please write this on the form too. We will take your choice into account when assessing the application, but we are unable to guarantee your choice of lawyer.

#### 4. IMPORTANT CONDITIONS

If you accept legal aid, you accept the conditions in this document. If you do not want legal aid on these conditions, tell us now.

#### **LEGAL AID IS NOT FREE**

There are several ways in which you will be asked to pay money towards your legal aid:

#### (a) Contribution

We will work out how much you can afford to pay towards your case (a contribution). If you are in custody until your case is over, you may not be required to pay a contribution. If you are required to pay a contribution and do not pay, your lawyer does not have to do any work for you. We may change the amount you have to pay as your case progresses.

#### (b) Charge Over Your Real Estate

If you and/or a financially associated person own or are buying real estate we will take a charge over that real estate if your case costs exceed \$2,350.00. The charge makes sure that you pay back the whole cost of your case eventually. We do not sell your real estate but when you decide to sell, transfer or refinance it, or if you die, we collect the money from your estate. Most cases, apart from simple guilty pleas or very short criminal trials, cost more than \$2,350.00. Read our charge brochure and ask your lawyer about this.

#### 5. PAYING BACK YOUR COSTS

- (a) If you get money from your legal case, such as compensation, damages or property settlement, you will have to pay back your legal aid in full.
- (b) If we take a charge, the charge makes sure that you pay back your legal aid in full.

#### 6. COST OF YOUR CASE

If you need to know the cost of your case from time to time, ask your lawyer. This is your responsibility, not ours. If you do not agree with your lawyer's bill, you can have it checked by the Court, although you may have to pay for this.



# **Application for Legal Aid**

Office Use Only (December 2022)

Law Type

File No.

Complete all questions on the form and give us the financial information where asked. If you need help filling out this form call 1300 366 424 or go to one of the offices listed on the back of this form.

No 🗀	applied for legal aid before?
Yes	What year?
How did y	you find out about legal aid?
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Other [	Give details:
Is this ap	plication being made for someone else?
No	Go to question 4
Yes	Is it for:
	Separate representative
	Child in criminal matter  Child in welfare matter
	Mental health matter
	Next friend
	Request by Court/Tribunal
	Other Give details:
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Application No.

Client No.

4	Title  Mr	
5	Family name	
	First names	
6	Do you use or have you used other names?	
	No	
	Yes Please give other name:	
	Family name	_
	First names	_
	Type (eg maiden name, previous or traditional name)	_
7	Your date of birth	
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8	Your gender	
	Male Female Transgender	
	Intersex or indeterminate	
	Other Give details:	
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J	What are your current living arrangements?  Married Married but separated	1
	Widowed Living in a de facto relationship	]
	Single De facto but separated	]
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	Other Give details:	_

Source of Application



10 Main language spoken at home is not English?	17 Are you in prison or detention?
No	No
Yes Which language?	Yes Where?
11 Is an interpreter required?	
No	Section Identification number
Yes (spoken language other than English)	
Yes (non-spoken communication)	18 Are you homeless?
Which language?	No
	Yes Where can we send mail to you?
12 Do you have a disability?	
No 🗔	
Yes Intellectual	Postcode
Psychological/psychiatric	19 Your home address (even if you are in custody)
Sensory (including speech)	
Head injury, stroke, brain damage	Postcode
Physical Give details:	
	20 Should we send mail to you at your home address?
	Yes
13 Do you require extra or practical help to access our	No Where can we send mail to you?
services?	
No L	Postcode
Yes Give details:	
	21 Your phone numbers and email
If insufficient space continue on page 12.	Home ( )
14 Were you born overseas?	Mobile
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No Sive details:	Work
	Email
What country were you born in?	
	This email address may be used for correspondence from us.
What year did you arrive in Australia?	22 Are you experiencing or at risk of family violence?
	Yes No
15 Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?	Has an allegation of family violence been made against you?  Yes No No
No	165
Yes Aboriginal	23 Are you experiencing or at risk of elder abuse?
Yes Torres Strait Islander	(Elder abuse is any act occurring within a relationship where there
If you identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, tick	is an implication of trust, which results in harm to an older person (65 or over). Abuse can include physical, sexual, financial, psychological
both boxes.	or social abuse and can include neglect.)
16 Do you have any special circumstances?	Yes No
(eg long standing ill health, literacy problems,	Has an allegation of elder abuse been made against you?
can't access assets or money, unable to work)  No	Yes No
Yes Give details: (We may be able to take your special circumstances	24 Am was under the area (42 and a 11 at 2 a 2 a 2 a 11 at 2
into account when considering your application)	24 Are you under the age of 18 and subject to a Guardianship order of the Minister?
	No go to next question
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Yes attach order if available and go to Question 49



### **Means Test - Income and Assets**

Attach a copy of your financial information

#### Your financial circumstances

You must give us all relevant information about your financial circumstances, including any income and assets you own. We also need information about anyone who helps you financially.

If you don't receive any income, give details of how you are supported on page 12.

The term **'financially associated person'** is used in this form. This includes any person:

- · from whom you usually receive financial help
- · to whom you usually provide financial help
- who could reasonably be expected to financially help you in obtaining legal services.

A financially associated person may include a parent, relative, partner, husband, wife, trust, corporation, group.

#### **Documents**

Please give us the following documents so we can assess your financial eligibility for aid (attach these documents to the application form):

Copies of your pay slips, or pay slips for anyone who helps you financially, for the last four weeks (or a letter from your employer saying how much you are paid), copies of your Centrelink Income Statement and copies of your bank account statements from all financial institutions where you have accounts (use an official bank statement or print one from your online bank account. You can't use ATM receipts).

#### 25 Do you get financial help from another person?

No	
Yes	

If you or a person who helps you financially is self-employed, a small business owner or a farmer, you both must provide:

- · Individual and business tax returns for two years
- Personal and business bank statements for the last three months
- The most recent income (or profit and loss) statement
- · The most recent balance sheet
- Details of any financial help you get from another person

#### 26 List your dependants, include spouse/de facto/partner/children

Given names Family name		Date of birth	Relationship to you	Who do they live with?
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27	Are you or your financially associated person:  Self-employed  A primary producer (farmer, grazier)	1	vage or sale	alary?	ncially associa			
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29	Do you get a pension or benefit or allowance?			Please giv	ve type of incom	ne or h	nenefit and	
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	Yes Which one?	_	Туре		You		Financially associated p	erson
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	Age Disability Family Tax		Rent rece	ived	\$ pe	er wk	\$	per wk
	Newstart Parenting Special Sickness Veterans Widow		Income fro	om trusts	\$ pe	er wk	\$	per wk
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	Other Give details:		Child Mair	ntenance	\$ pe	er wk	\$	per wk
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			Business/P	artnership	\$ pe	er wk	\$	per wk
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B Do you or your financially associated person own or are paying off any other real estate in Australia or elsewhere? (eg house or land)  No  Yes  Give details:  How much would it sell for?	42	else For supe	of value example erannuat other va	e in Australia, shares, bond ion you can a luable items y Sive details:	a or elsewhere? ds, boats, caravan ccess now, insura	
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	<b>Criminal Law Only</b>
51 In respect of this application, who do you want your lawyer to be?	Please attach a copy of your complaint/summons - you can obtain a copy of this from police prosecution.
In some cases, you may not get the lawyer you choose	52 Have you been charged with an offence?
A Legal Aid lawyer Name if known:	No Go to question 58
	Yes List your charges
	Date charged Charges
No preference	
A private lawyer Give details:	
Name	
Firm	List extra details on page 12.
	53 Please provide the name of any alleged victim/s?
Address	, , , ,
Postcode	
Telephone	54 Was anyone else charged with you for these offences?
	No
7	Yes Please give their names
If your legal problem is:	
Criminal Law Go to question 52	55 Have you pleaded guilty in court to these charges?
Family Law Go to question 58	No 🗆
Civil/General Law Go to question 65 (including child protection)	Yes
(including child protection)	How do you want to plead?
	Please note that you may receive a reduction in your
? If you are not sure what your application is about and would like to talk to a lawyer, call 1300 366 424 to arrange	sentence if you enter an early guilty plead to these charges.  The maximum potential reduction will generally only be
free legal advice.	available for a plea of guilty entered within 4 weeks of your
	first court appearance. Ask your solicitor as soon as possible to explain this to you.
	Guilty
	Not guilty

Not sure



# **Criminal Law Only** 56 Do you have a criminal record/previous conviction? No Yes Not sure List your criminal record, previous convictions; including matters where no conviction was recorded Offence Penalty List extra details on page 12. 57 Have the police taken any of your belongings under a proceeds of crime order? Attach a copy of your order. **Family Law Only** 58 Are you applying for aid for a family or relationship problem? If you are not sure what your application is about and would like to talk to a lawyer, call 1300 366 424 to arrange free legal advice. Go to question 65 Which problem? Who my children live with (residence/custody) How much time my children spend with me or the other parent (contact/access) Decisions about how my children are raised (eg schooling, health, religion)

Child support/maintenance/paternity

Enforcing a court order or advising an order has

Child protection (including family group meeting)

1300 366 424

Get legal advice by calling

Property settlement Spousal maintenance

Divorce

Not Sure

been breached

Are you applying for an intervention order?  Yes No
Are you responding to an intervention order?  Yes No
Are you seeking to change family court orders due to violence?  Yes No No
Have the police applied for an intervention order about this matter?
☐ No ☐ Yes ▶ When ?
Not sure
Tell us more about your problem
If insufficient space continue on page 12.

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59	family matter, include orders, child protect No Yes Attach  If you don lawyer who	amily Court documents about ding domestic violence protection orders, family court order a copy of any documents I't have copies, contact the court to helped you get the orders, and rovide you with a copy.	or the	62 Have you been to counselling/mediation or any family dispute resolution sessions with the person you are in dispute with?  No  Yes  Attach a copy of the family dispute resolution certificate				
60	Who is the person y	ou are in dispute with?	6	3 Are you or were you ma	arried to the person y	ou are in		
	Full name			dispute with?				
	Address			Yes Give details				
	Addiess			Marriage date				
				Separation date				
		Postcode		Divorce date				
	Date of birth	day / month / year						
	Phone number	( )		4 Were you in a de facto r	alationship with the	norcon voll aro		
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	Do they have a lawyer?  ☐ No ☐ Yes			No 🗌				
				Yes Give details				
				Relationship date				
	Lawyer's name			Separation date				
	Law firm							
	Address							
		Postcode						
61	Do you have any ch	ildren under 18?						
	No Give deta	ils						
	Family name	First and middle name	Date of birth	Relationship to you	Who do they live with?	Involved in this matter?		
			day /month / year					
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List extra details on page 12.



# **Civil or General Law Only**

65 Are you applying for aid for a civil law problem?

If you are not sure what your application is about and

would like to talk to a lawyer, call 1300 366 424 to arrange free legal advice.

Describe your civil law problem

Administrative Appeals Tribunal

Child protection

Migration

Service and ex-service personnel appeal

Not sure

Get legal advice by calling 1300 366 424

Other

Other

Give details

If insufficient space continue on page 12.

## Confidentiality

Under s31A of the *Legal Services Commission Act* 1977, the information provided in your application form remains confidential in most cases.

Your information will be used to:

- · assess your eligibility for legal aid
- · help your lawyer with your legal representation
- · update your personal details in our records
- compile statistical information for use by us and our funders.

In order to evaluate our service, your name and telephone number may be provided to an organisation to undertake a client survey. If you object, please tick

D	ecla	ration
6	Are you Yes No	completing this application for yourself?  Read and sign the declaration below  What authority do you have to complete this application for someone else? (eg power of attorney, parent, guardian)
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	Date day	month / year
S	olicit	tor's Certificate
	NOTE:	If this application is made through a solicitor, this certificate MUST be completed. If not, it may be interpreted as an expression of opinion that the application has no merit.
	I (name):	
	of the firr	n of:

application has no merit.
I (name):
of the firm of:
of (address):
Postcode
CERTIFY that the applicant has consulted me and I am of the opinion that this application has legal merit and/or is otherwise deserving of aid.
Solicitor's Signature

Date			
day	<b>/</b> month	/ year	



## **Authority to release information**

VERY URGENT CASES MAY BE PROCESSED WITHOUT THE PROOF OF MEANS NORMALLY REQUIRED IF YOU SIGN AND DATE THIS AUTHORITY.

PLEASE NOTE MOST CASES ARE NOT REGARDED BY THE COMMISSION AS VERY URGENT SO PROOF OF MEANS IS STILL REQUIRED OR YOUR APPLICATION FOR AID MAY BE REFUSED.

I (name):				
Your Centrelink Reference Number (CRN)				
consent and authorise:				
<ul> <li>the Legal Services Commission (LSC) to use Centrelink</li> </ul>				
Confirmation eServices to perform a Centrelink enquiry				
of my Centrelink Customer details and concession card				

 the Australian Government Department of Human Services (the department) to provide the results of that enquiry to LSC.

status in order to enable LSC to determine if I qualify for

#### I understand that:

a grant of aid.

- the department will disclose to LSC my personal information including my name, address, concession card status, payment type, payment status, income, assets, one-off payments, deduction and shared care arrangements for LSC to confirm my eligibility for legal aid.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while I have an active legal aid file, but I can stop it at any time by writing to LSC or the department.
- I can obtain proof of my means from the department and provide it to LSC so that my eligibility for legal aid can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my means, I may not be eligible for legal aid.

A brochure is available from Centrelink that provides more details about the Centrelink Confirmation eServices or on Centrelink's website at www.humanservices.gov.au

Applicant's or authorised person's signature

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Date			
day	month / year		



#### 67 Add further details with question number included

Tell us about your legal problem and include, for example:

- · What the legal problem is
- Who is involved and how they are involved
- How and when the legal problem started
- What has happened since then
- Financial details (if you don't receive any income)
- Any special circumstances that apply to your situation

 You have now completed your application for legal aid.
 <ul> <li>Remove the cover sheet from the application form.</li> <li>Keep the cover sheet. It has important information that you should read.</li> </ul>

 Send the completed application form to a Legal Aid address on the back of the cover sheet.

#### 7. OTHER COSTS YOU MAY HAVE TO PAY

- (a) If you receive more money, e.g., if you get a job, an inheritance or other payment, or if you become financially supported by someone else, this will affect your legal aid. You must tell us if this happens. We will then work out whether you can still have legal aid and whether you have to pay another contribution.
- (b) If you lose your case, you may have to pay the other side's costs. We cannot help you with these costs. You will have to pay them yourself.
- (c) If you get legal aid when you were not entitled to, we will require you to pay back the full amount. If you give us false, incomplete or misleading information, you could also be prosecuted.
- (d) We can change the conditions of legal aid at any time and this could mean that you have to pay more.
- (e) We cannot pay for any work your lawyer has already done without a grant of legal aid. This is your responsibility.

#### 8. WHAT YOU MUST DO

- (a) You must tell us and your lawyer if you change address. If you are released from prison, you must tell us and your lawyer where you will be living. If we cannot contact you, legal aid can be stopped and your lawyer can stop work on your case.
- (b) You must tell us and your lawyer if your financial circumstances change. This includes if you get a job, enter a financially associated relationship, separate, receive money, etc.
- (c) You must follow your lawyer's advice. Legal aid can be stopped if you do not do this.
- (d) You must tell your lawyer everything he or she needs to know about your case.
- (e) You must tell us and your lawyer if you do not want legal aid. By accepting legal aid you accept these conditions. Ask your lawyer if you are unsure.

#### 9. WHAT YOUR LAWYER MUST DO

- (a) Your lawyer should keep you informed of the costs of your case, particularly where a charge may be taken over your real estate.
- (b) Your lawyer must keep your case confidential, apart from some things which he or she must tell us, the other side and/or the Court.
- (c) Your lawyer is required to give us any information we need about your case whenever we ask for it. If your lawyer thinks that you are unlikely to win the case, he or she must tell us and legal aid can be stopped.
- (d) Your lawyer must tell us of any changes in your circumstances which could affect your legal aid.

(e) Your lawyer cannot charge for work done while you are on a grant of legal aid. Your lawyer will bill us for that work

#### 10. WHAT WE WILL DO

We will process your application once we receive the completed form and proof of means. This takes us about 7-14 days. You can ring us after this time if you have not heard. We will write to you telling you whether you are granted legal aid. The letter will tell you who your lawyer is and will ask you to contact them. It will also tell you about your contribution.

If you are refused legal aid, the letter will tell you why and will explain how you can appeal. We will keep your legal aid matters confidential except in the following circumstances:

- (a) If you ask us in writing to provide information to someone else, or, again in writing, you authorise someone else to get information from us.
- (b) If there is information which your lawyer needs from us.
- (c) If we are required by law, including a court order, to release the information.
- (d) If we take a charge over your real estate, we send a copy of the charge document to your other lender(s) and the charge is registered at the Lands Titles Office.

#### 11. RIGHT TO APPEAL

If you do not agree with our decision on your application, or with a condition of legal aid, you can appeal. To appeal, write to us within fourteen (14) days of our letter, telling us why you think the decision is wrong. You do not need a lawyer's help to appeal. You can appeal by yourself, simply by writing a letter to us. Of course, you can pay a lawyer to appeal for you if you wish. We will write and let you know the result of your appeal.

# 12. IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION Once you accept legal aid, the conditions of aid will apply to you whether or not you agree with them or understand them.

If you do not understand the conditions of aid or need more information about legal aid, you can:

- (a) ask your lawyer
- (b) write to us
- (c) attend one of our offices and speak to us about it, or,
- (d) access the Practitioners Guide to Legal Aid on www.lsc.sa.gov.au

The addresses of our offices are printed on the back of this form.



www.lsc.sa.gov.au

www.lawhandbook.sa.gov.au

All completed applications must be forwarded to the Commission's Adelaide Office.

POST TO:

LEGAL SERVICES COMMISSION

**GPO BOX 1718 ADELAIDE** 5001

**ELIZABETH OFFICE:** 

OR EMAIL TO: lsc.correspondence@lsc.sa.gov.au

NOARLUNGA OFFICE:

GROUND FLOOR, WINDSOR BUILDING GROUND FLOOR, NOARLUNGA HOUSE, 1 WINDSOR SQUARE.

ELIZABETH SHOPPING CENTRE. COLONNADES SHOPPING CENTRE. ELIZABETH 5112 **NOARLUNGA CENTRE 5168** 

PHONE: (08) 8111 5400 PHONE: (08) 8111 5340

PORT AUGUSTA OFFICE: WHYALLA OFFICE: 34 FLINDERS TERRACE, 17A FORSYTH STREET, PORT AUGUSTA 5700 WHYALLA 5608

PHONE: (08) 8686 2200 PHONE: (08) 8620 8500

#### English

Chinese

If you do not understand English telephone the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450 to make an appointment for us to explain our documents in your language. We will arrange and pay for an interpreter.

如果您看不懂英语,请致电传译及翻译服务,电话

号码: 131 450。我们可以约定一个时间,用您的语

言为您解释文件内容。传译员由我们安排和付费。

#### Albanian

Në qoftë se ju nuk kuptoni Anglishtë, telefononi Shërbimin e Përkthimit dhe të Interpretimit në 131 450 që të lini takim që ne t'ju shpjegojmë dokumentat tona në gjuhën tuaj. Ne do të caktojme dhe do të paguajmë për përkthyesin

#### Croatian

Ako ne razumijete engleski jezik nazovite TIS prevodilačku službu na broj 131 450 da zakažete sastanak, kako bismo vam objasnili naša dokumenta na hrvatskom jeziku. Mi ćemo organizirati i platiti službu tumača.

#### Greek

Αν δεν καταλαβαίνετε Αγγλικά, τηλεφωνήστε στην Υπηρεσία Μετάφρασης και Διερμηνείας (ΤΙS) στο 131 450. Κλείστε ραντεβού και θα σας εξηγήσουμε τις πληροφορίες μας στα Ελληνικά. Θα σας κλείσουμε διερμηνέα με δικά μας έξοδα.

#### Polish

Jeżeli nie rozumiesz angielskiego, zadzwoń do Służby Tłumaczy pod numerem 131 450 by ustalić termin wizyty, na której wyjaśnimy nasze dokumenty w Twoim języku. Zamówimy i zapłacimy za tłumacza.

#### Spanish

Si no comprende el inglés, llame al Translating and Interpreting Service, en el 131 450, para organizar una cita en la que le explicaremos nuestros documentos en su idioma Nosotros organizaremos un intérprete y cubriremos el costo

#### Italian

Se non capite l'inglese, chiamate il Servizio Interpreti e Traduttori al 131 450 per fissare un appuntamento e farvi spiegare i nostri documenti nella vostra lingua. Faremo venire anche un interprete pagato da noi

#### Russian

Если вы не понимаете по-английски, позвоните нам через Службу Переводов по тел. 131 450 и назначьте прием, чтобы мы вам объяснили наши документы на вашем языке. Мы закажем и оплатим переводчика.

#### Thai

ถ้าท่านไม่เข้าใจภาษาอังกฤษและต้องการล่ามไทย โทรศัพท์ ๑๓๑ ๔๕๐ เพื่อใช้บริการล่ามโดยไม่เสียเงิน

#### ADELAIDE OFFICE: 159 GAWLER PLACE, ADELAIDE 5000

PHONE: (08) 8111 5555

PORT ADELAIDE OFFICE: 263 ST VINCENT STREET PORT ADELAIDE 5015

PHONE: (08) 8111 5460

#### Arabic

إذا كنت لا تفهم اللغة الإنكليزية اتصل هاتفيًا بخدمة الترجمة الخط والشنبية Gervice للشنبية المستقبل المستقبل المرقم 131 450 الرقم Service على الرقم Service على الرقم في المستقبل المستقبل الأم. سوف نوفن نحن المترجم الشفهي وندفع له أتعابه.

#### Dari/Farsi

اگر انگلیسی نمیدانید لطفا با سرویس ترجمه به شماره تلفن : ۴۵۰ ۱۳۱ تماس گرفته و قرار ملاقاتی را با ما مشخص نمایید تا ما مدارک خودمان را به زبان شما توضيح دهيم ٠ ما مترجم گرفته و هزينه آن را پرداخت ميكنيم ٠

#### Khmer

ប្រសិនបើអ្នកមិនយល់ភាសាអង់គ្លេស សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅក្រសួងបំរើបកប្រែភាសា លេខ 131 450 ដើម្បីធ្វើការណាត់ដូច ហើយយើងនឹងពន្យល់ឯកសាររបស់យើងនេះជា ភាសារបស់អ្នក។ យើងនឹងជ្យបចំហើយបង់ប្រាក់អោយអ្នកបកប្រែភាសា។

#### Serbian

Ако не разумете енглески, назовите службу тумача и преводилаца на тел. бр. 131 450 да закажете састанак код нас да вам објаснимо наше документе на вашем језику. Ми ћемо довести тумача и платити за те услуге.

#### Vietnamese

Nếu quí vị không hiểu tiếng Anh, xin điện thoại cho Sở Phiên và Thông Dịch qua số 131 450 để hẹn cho chúng tôi giải thích những văn kiện của chúng tôi bằng thứ tiếng của quí vị. Chúng tôi sẽ thu xếp và trả tiền cho thông dịch viên.

NEED LEGAL HELP CALL LEGAL AID 1300 366 424 Mon - Fri 9.00 am - 4.30 pm