

Welcome to the Nebraska Trial Court System

We will be happy to help you if we can. However, we are allowed to help you only in certain ways, since we must be fair to everyone.

WE CAN

- Explain/answer questions about how the court works.
- Provide you with the telephone number for the lawyer referral service, legal aid program, and other services where you can get legal information.
- Give you general information about court rules, procedures and practices.
- Provide information on how to get a case scheduled.
- Give you information from your case file unless it is sealed by the court.
- Provide you with information as to where to obtain court forms and instructions that are available.

WE CANNOT

- Tell you whether or not you should bring your case to court.
- Tell you what words to use in your court papers. (However, we can check your papers for completeness. For example, we may check for signatures, notarization, correct county name, correct case number and presence of attachments.)
- Tell you what to say in court.
- Give you an opinion about what will happen if you bring your case to court.
- Let you talk to the judge outside of court.
- Change an order signed by a judge.

Since court staff may not know the answers to all questions about court rules, procedures and practices, we have been instructed not to answer questions if we do not know the correct answer.



Our Self-Help Website is a great tool for those who desire to represent themselves in the Nebraska Court System.

Go to www.supremecourt.ne.gov look under "Information for Public"