

WORKER REFERRAL INFORMATION

For help with your appeal, you can contact:

- Any of the groups below that provide legal assistance.
- Your **union** – If you are a union member.
- Your **M.P.P.**

You can also choose to represent yourself, or be represented by a friend.

OFFICE OF THE WORKER ADVISER

The Office of the Worker Adviser (OWA) provides free services to non-unionized injured workers and their survivors in workplace insurance matters (formerly called Workers' Compensation). To find out more about the OWA, please visit their website at <http://www.owa.gov.on.ca> or call their toll free number at **1-800-435-8980** (English) or **1-800-661-6365** (French). You may also contact the offices listed below:

	<u>Telephone #</u>	<u>Toll Free #</u>
<u>Toronto & Eastern Ontario Regions</u>		
Mississauga	905-568-2359	1-800-267-3949
Ottawa <u>or</u> Kingston	613-728-2006	1-800-267-6599
Scarborough <u>or</u> Peterborough	416-325-9846	1-800-268-4343
Toronto	416-325-8570	1-800-660-6769
<u>Central Ontario Region</u>		
Downsview	416-235-5550	1-800-387-7495
Sudbury	705-564-1621	1-800-461-6372
Waterloo	519-888-9063	1-800-265-2466
<u>Northwest Region</u>		
Elliot Lake	705-848-6413	1-800-398-3228
Sault Ste. Marie	705-945-5861	1-800-461-6023
Thunder Bay	807-475-1280	1-800-465-3966
Timmins	705-268-3454	1-800-461-9854
<u>Southwest Region</u>		
Hamilton	905-577-1301	1-800-263-9209
London	519-873-4490	1-800-265-7924
St. Catharines	905-704-3945	1-800-414-4512
Windsor <u>or</u> Sarnia	519-254-7558	1-800-265-5649

LEGAL AID

Legal Aid Ontario, an independent agency funded largely by the Province of Ontario, is responsible for the delivery of legal aid services to low-income individuals throughout Ontario. You may be able to get a legal aid certificate to pay for a private lawyer's services *if your local legal clinic cannot assist you, and if your income and assets are below a certain level*. To find out if you qualify, contact your local Legal Aid Office at one of the numbers listed below. To obtain information about obtaining a legal aid certificate, contact one of these offices:

For Information about Legal Aid Certificates:

Toronto Legal Aid 416-979-1446 or 416-598-0200

South/Southwestern Ontario Region Legal Aid

London 519-433-8179

Kitchener 519-743-4306

Windsor 519-255-3526

Central/Eastern Ontario Region Legal Aid

Kingston 613-546-1179

Oshawa 905-728-7321

Ottawa 613-238-7931

Northern Ontario Region Legal Aid

Kenora 807-468-6722

North Bay 705-472-4893

Sudbury 705-673-8182

Thunder Bay 807-345-1972

Timmins 705-264-9473

Community Legal Clinics

Legal Aid Ontario also funds 78 independent, community-based legal aid clinics. To receive services from a legal clinic, you must live in the area it services, and qualify financially.

The clinics named below provide assistance in workers' compensation matters:

All areas can contact **1-800-408-4420 toll-free in Ontario** for referral to local legal clinics. You may also contact:

Toronto Community Legal Clinics

Telephone #

Industrial Accident Victims Group, 489 College Street	416-924-6477
Injured Workers Consultants, 815 Danforth Avenue	416-461-2411
Rexdale Community Legal Clinic, 500 Rexdale Blvd	416-741-5201
Toronto Worker's Health & Safety Legal Clinic, 180 Dundas St. West	416-971-8832

Central/Eastern Ontario Region Community Legal Clinics

Belleville	613-966-8686
Bracebridge	705-645-6607 (Muskoka Legal Clinic)
Cobourg	905-373-4464
Cornwall	613-932-2703
Kingston	613-541-0777
Orillia	705-326-6444 (Simcoe Legal Services)
Oshawa	905-728-7321
Ottawa Central	613-241-7008
Ottawa South	613-733-0140
Ottawa West	613-596-1641
Renfrew	613-432-8146

South/Southwestern Ontario Region Community Legal Clinics

Hamilton	905-545-0442
Kitchener	519-743-0254
London	519-438-2890
St. Catharines	905-682-6635
Windsor	519-253-3526

Northern Ontario Region Community Legal Clinics

North Bay	705-476-6603
Sudbury	705-674-3200
Kenora	807-468-8888
Rainy River	807-274-5327

LAWYERS AND PARALEGALS

A lawyer or licensed paralegal can assist you in preparing for or presenting an appeal, for a fee.

To find a licensed paralegal, go to the Law Society of Upper Canada's licensee directory at www1.lsuc.on.ca/LicenseeDirectory/index.jsp.

To find a lawyer who is certified as a specialist in workplace safety and insurance law, go to the Law Society's web site at: <http://www1.lsuc.on.ca/specialist/jsp/directory1.jsp>

The Law Society also offers **Lawyer Referral Services** for a fee: **For Bell Subscribers: 1-900-565-4577 (1-900-565-4LRS)** - (there will be a \$6.00 charge to your phone bill); **For non-Bell subscribers: call 416-947-3330 and tell them you cannot access the 900 number.**

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