

SELF-HELP CONSERVATORSHIP CLINIC

Provided By

BET TZEDEK LEGAL SERVICES

The Bet Tzedek Self-Help Conservatorship Clinic, in partnership with the Los Angeles Superior Court, provides basic assistance to individuals who want to file for a probate conservatorship without a lawyer in order to help an adult who cannot care for himself or herself. The Clinic does not provide legal advice or attorney representation; instead it offers general information about the court process and help in preparing and filing document* to be appointed as a probate conservator.

At no cost on a first-come, first served basis, our Self-Help Clinic serves individuals who do not have an attorney and need basic help so they can represent themselves in the probate conservatorship process. Individuals with more complex or contested cases should seek the assistance of an attorney.

At our Self-Help Clinic, Bet Tzedek's staff and volunteers can help you:

- Obtain general information about probate conservatorships, alternatives to conservatorships, and the court process;
- Obtain referrals for social services or legal assistance;
- File for probate conservatorships of the person to care for the physical needs of a person with a disability;
- File for probate conservatorship of a small estate to help manage the limited finances and property of a person with a disability;
- Make sure the simple pleadings or declarations you write are in the proper format; and
- Request to be appointed as a Temporary Probate Conservator in limited emergency circumstances.

Clinic services are provided using an easy-to-use computer-based program developed by the California Judicial Council. Self-represented individuals can complete basic petition documents using this program with or without assistance from Clinic volunteers.

If you would like to use our Clinic services to petition to be appointed as a conservator, please visit the Bet Tzedek website for a Conservator Questionnaire, print it out, answer all questions completely, and bring it with you to one of our clinics listed below.

If you would like to have someone help you make decisions about the care of a person with a disability, please visit the Bet Tzedek website for a Co-Conservator Questionnaire, print it out, answer all questions completely, and bring it with you to one of clinics listed below, Please note that the clinic can only help you file for two Co-conservators.

Bet Tzedek provides free, compassionate, high-quality legal services to the elderly, indigent, and disabled of Los Angeles County, regardless of ethnic or religious background. Bet Tzedek is an affiliated agency of the Jewish Federation of greater Los Angeles.

**3250 Wilshire Blvd., 13th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90010
Phone: (323) 939-0506
Bettzedek.org**

For current clinic locations, dates, and times, please call or visit their website:

Phone: (323)549-5853

Website: www.bettzedek.org/services/guardianships-and-conservatorships/self-help-conservatorship-clinic



Clinic Locations and Times:

DOWNTOWN SELF-HELP CLINIC

For new visitors:

LOS ANGELES LAW LIBRARY (across from the Stanley Mosk Courthouse)
301 W. 1st Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Mondays: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

New visitors must stay for an orientation and space is limited to the first 25 new visitors.

For petitioners returning from hearings:

DOWNTOWN SUPERIOR COURT (Stanley Mosk Courthouse)
111 N. Hill Street, Room 426
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Mondays & Thursdays: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

NORWALK CLASSES

NORWALK LIBRARY
12350 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650
(562) 868-0775

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Please call to verify dates and times.

LANCASTER CLASSES

LANCASTER REGIONAL LIBRARY
601 West Lancaster Blvd.
Lancaster, CA 93534
(661) 948-5029

2ND Friday of the Month: Class 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & Document Processing 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

LONG BEACH CLINICS

LONG BEACH COURT (Gov. George Deukmejian Courthouse)
275 Magnolia Avenue, Room 3101
Long Beach, CA 90802

Fridays: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**For same-day service at any location (other than Downtown), please arrive Within the first hour after opening.*

