

2018 Kansas Legal Services Priorities sorted by Legal Code					Key to Priorities: Priority 1 - case will be accepted under normal circumstances Priority 2 - case will usually be accepted when staff is available Priority 3 - case will be accepted when resources are available; recognized as a need and KLS is committed to seeking additional resources to handle this legal area	
LOW INCOME, 150% Poverty		Advice Only categories/ referral to new intake based advice unit		AAA or Senior specific funding (Based on priorities of funding source, AMENDED 3.13)	OVER 150% FPL, with specific other funding	KAMS = Kansas Agricultural Mediation Service MLP = Medical Legal Partnership CARC = Child Advocacy Resource Center
Substantive Issue	Advice or Limited Action	Extended Representation		Advice & Extended Representation	Extended Representation	
Bankruptcy/Debtor Relief	Yes	KBA Reduced Fee Program only	YES, referred to RFP	Priority 1	KBA Reduced Fee Program only	
Collection (Repossession, Defense, Garnishment)	Yes	Priority 1, unlawful garnishment of low wage worker, SS recipient, Others: Priority 2	Yes, referral of Priority 1 eligible	Priority 2	KAMS - Priority 1 Priority 2	Other -
Contracts/Warranties	Yes	None	Yes	Priority 2	KAMS - Priority 1	
Collection Practices/Credit Harassment	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	KAMS - Priority 1	
Predatory Lending (Not Mortgages)	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	Priority 3	
Loans/Installment Purchases	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	KAMS - Priority 1	
Public Utilities (inc. Low Income Energy Assistance Program)	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	Priority 3	
Unfair & Deceptive Sales Practices (Consumer Protection)	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	Priority 3	
Other Consumer	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	KAMS - Priority 1	
Discipline (working w/ school-see 410 for court actions)	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	None	None	
Special Education/Learning Disabilities	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	None	None	
Access to Education (language/residency/testing)	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	None	None	
Vocational Education	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	None	
Student Financial Aid	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	None	
Other Education	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	None	
Employment Discrimination	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	Priority 1	None	
Wage Claims & Other FLSA (Fair Labor Standard Act)	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None	
EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit)	Yes	Priority 1, Low Income Tax Payer Clinic	All go to LITC, KC office	Priority 2	Priority 1, Low Income Tax Payer Clinic to 250% FPL	
Income Tax and Food Sales Tax	Yes	Priority 1, Low Income Tax Payer Clinic	All go to LITC, KC office	Priority 1	Priority 1, Low Income Tax Payer Clinic to 250% FPL	
Employee Rights	Yes	DV/SA Victims	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	DV/SA Victims	
Agricultural Worker Issues	Yes	Priority 2 - MIGRANT Agricultural Workers,	Yes, referral possible	None	None	
Other Employment	Yes	DV/SA Victims	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	DV/SA Victims	
Adoption	Yes	Priority 1-Kinship, orphaned or abandoned children, Court appointments Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program	Yes, referral possible; Step-parent to online forms, including limited scope review (soon).	Priority 2	CARC & MLP -Priority 1 Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program - Step-parent/all other	
Custody/Visitation – No Abuse	Yes	Court appointments, Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program only	Yes, referral only to RFP program and online forms, including limited scope review	Priority 2	CARC & MLP -Priority 1 Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program - Step-parent/all other	
Custody/Visitation with Abuse	Yes	Priority 1, where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children	NO	Priority 2	CARC & MLP -Priority 1 Priority 1, where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program	
Divorce, Separation, Annulment – No Abuse/No Children	Yes	Priority 3 - SSI Recipients, Pro Bono or Retainer where available; Others - KBA Reduced Fee Program	Yes, referral only to RFP program and online forms, including limited scope review	Priority 2	CARC & MLP -Priority 1 Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program - Step-parent/all other	
Divorce – Abuse w/ No Children	Yes	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim	NO	Priority 2	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim	
Divorce w/ Children – No Abuse	Yes	Priority 3 (including limited scope review of documents) - Pro Bono or Retainer, where available; rural offices Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program	Yes, referral only to RFP program and online forms, including limited scope review	Priority 2	KBA Reduced Fee Program	
Divorce with Abuse and Children	Yes	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children	NO	Priority 2	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children	
Adult Guardianship/Conservatorship	Yes	Pro Bono (where available)	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	CARC & MLP: Priority 1 Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program	
Name Change	Yes	Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program, including limited scope review of documents	Yes, referral only to RFP program and online forms, including limited scope review	None	DV/SA Victims	
Name Change (Abuse)	Yes	DV/SA Victims	NO	Priority 1	DV/SA Victims	
Parental Rights Termination	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	CARC/MLP/Court Appointments: Priority 1	
Paternity - No Abuse	Yes	Court appointments (may assist in filing Petition on Limited Scope basis; may accept court appointment for reply to Petition that results) Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program only, Retainer in rural areas	Yes, referral only to RFP program and online forms, including limited scope review	None	CARC - Priority 2	
Paternity with Abuse	Yes	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children	NO	None	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children	
Protection from Abuse	Yes	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children	NO	Priority 1	Priority 1 - where reasonable and necessary for crime victim and children	
Protection from Abuse Defense	Yes	Priority 1 (abused is our client)	only if intake thinks the applicant is the primarily victim	Priority 1 (abused is our client)	DV/SA Victims	
Child Support/Maintenance/Alimony	Yes	Priority 3 - limited based on abuse or other compelling circumstance, including increasing income to the family Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program	Yes, referral possible	None	MLP - Priority 3 Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program	
Non-payment of support: Defendant	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	KBA Reduced Fee Program, unless Court Appointment	
Other Family	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	None	KBA Reduced Fee Program	

Post Divorce or Paternity Motions on bills, insurance, property	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible		KBA Reduced Fee Program
Delinquents/Juvenile Offenders	Yes	None	Yes, referral possible	None	Public Defender Contracts only
Neglected/Abused Dependent	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	CARC and Other Local Sources: Priority 2
Emancipation	Yes	Priority 1 - Abuse of Child Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program	Yes, referral only to RFP program	None	MLP - Priority 3 Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program
MINOR Guardianship / Conservatorship - getting and/or terminating	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible, particularly for grandparent and drug affected parents (opioid crisis)	Priority 2	CARC & MLP -Priority 1
Other Juvenile	Yes	Priority 3	Yes, referral possible	None	MLP -Priority 3
Medicaid/KanCare/Division of Assets	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	
Medicare (over 65 or disabled)	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	
Government Children's Health Insurance: S-CHIP only	Yes	Priority 1, eligibility and denial of service	Yes, referral possible	None	CARC - Priority 2
Home & Community Based Care	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	None
Private Health Insurance	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	Priority 2	None
Long Term Health Care Facilities	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	None
MediKan	See 510	See 510		Priority 2	None
Other Health	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	None
Federally Subsidized Housing	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	None
Home Ownership/Real Property/TODD	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	Other: KBA Reduced Fee Program
Private Landlord/Tenant	Yes	Priority 1 - As follows: lockout from personal property, utility termination, health threatening conditions, landlord's failure to provide required notice of lease violations (other than rent non-payment), as part of community response to targeted landlord, or where we can provide a substantial service to tenant	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	None
Public Housing (state, city, county)	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None
Mobile Homes	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None
Housing Discrimination	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	Priority 2	None
Mortgage Foreclosures	Yes	Priority 1, for owner occupied or tenant in foreclosed dwelling	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	Priority 1, for owner occupied or tenant in foreclosed dwelling
Mortgage Predatory Lending Practices	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	Priority 1
Other Housing	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	Priority1 (NURSING HOME)	None
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes	Priority 1, eligibility or termination	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None
Social Security Dependent of deceased worker	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible		
Social Security Retirement	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None
Food Stamps/Commodities/ WIC	Yes	Priority 1, eligibility or termination	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None
Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)	Yes	Priority 1	Field Office	Priority 2	Priority 3, with fee agreement (primarily rural areas)
Supplemental Security Income	Yes	Priority 1	Field Office	Priority 2	Priority 3
Unemployment	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None
Veterans Benefits	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	None
State and Local Income Maintenance	Yes	None, no program		None	None
Other Income Maintenance (Work Comp)	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	Priority 2	None
Immigration/Naturalization	Yes	DV/SA victims or pro bono referrals		Priority 2	None
Mental Health/Care & Treatment	Yes	Priority 2	Yes, referral possible	None	Court Appts and City/County Contracts
Disability Rights	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	Priority 1	None
Civil Rights	Yes	Priority 2, Asset Forfeiture	NO	None	None
Human Trafficking	Yes	Priority 1	NO	None	None
Expungement	Yes	Priority 1	yes, referral possible	Priority 2	Priority 1, otherwise RFP
Victim of Sexual or Physical Assault (non-relationship)	Yes	Priority 1, DV/SA victim or pro bono referrals	NO		
Protection from Stalking	YES	Priority 1, SA victims or pro bono referrals	NO		
Non-Profit Group Assistance	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	None
Indian Tribal Law	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	None
Licenses (Drivers, Occupational), Other)	Yes	Priority 1	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	Driver's License for Work, PHA tenant, MLP
Tort Defense, Applicant is sued for damages	Yes	Limited to Pro Bono referrals where available	NO	None	MLP: Referral only
Wills and Estates	Yes	Priority 2: Only imminent death or children involved, Low income senior when no AAA funding, Pro bono event Otherwise: KBA Reduced Fee Program	Yes, referral possible	Priority 2	KBA Reduced Fee Program only
Advance Directives/Powers of Attorney	Yes	Priority 2: Only imminent death or children involved, Low income senior when no AAA funding, Pro bono event Otherwise: KBA Reduced Fee Program	Yes, referral possible	Priority 1	CARC & MLP: Priority 1 KBA Reduced Fee Program Other:
Municipal Legal Needs (municipal services, picking up trash, etc.	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	MLP: Priority 1 (must be health related)
Criminal (Misdemeanor/Felony)	No	None	Yes, no referral	None	Only with Public Defender Contracts
Municipal/Traffic violations (fines only)	Yes	Limited to Pro Bono referrals where available	Yes, referral possible	None	Only with Public Defender Contracts
Other Miscellaneous (non-relationship and no threat of physical harm restraining orders)	Yes	Priority 1, if crime victim	NO	None	MLP: Priority 1 (must be health related) Priority one if crime victim
Racial Profiling	Yes	None	Yes, no referral	None	None
Other Services provided and considered within the priorities of Kansas Legal Services:					
Employment Training & Supportive Services					
Provide litigation support and services, training, technical assistance, research and writing services on foster care referrals with a case plan of adoption					
Contractual requirements of other funding sources that are not restricted by the LSC Act and Regulations					

General consultation, special project meetings, outreach services, community education, PAI activities, training and continuing legal education, preparation of manuals, pro se clinics, intake when no case is undertaken and any other direct or indirect program services that are not actions taken in cases.				
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