

PETERSON AFB LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



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START HERE: USAF LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND PETERSON AFB LEGAL OFFICE WEBSITES

Why Should I go to the USAF Legal Assistance and Peterson Legal Office Websites First?

Before making an appointment to visit with the Peterson AFB legal office, you should first visit the USAF legal assistance and Peterson AFB legal office websites first. Viewing these websites first minimizes the number of trips that clients must make to a legal office to obtain common legal instruments, as well as reduces the amount of time clients must spend in a base legal office to obtain those instruments. Even more importantly, thoroughly reviewing these websites will help you better hone the questions you have for your attorney if you ultimately do schedule a legal assistance appointment.

Where can I access the USAF Legal Assistance Website?

USAF Legal Assistance Website:
<https://aflegalassistance.law.af.mil/las/las.html>

Once you arrive at this website, you will have 3 options: (1) legal assistance topics, (2) legal worksheets, or (3) online survey.

Select legal assistance topics if you wish to learn more about common legal issues that affect military members. The website contains over 50 legal topics relating to a variety of issues.

Select legal worksheets if you need to complete a legal document. Clients may fill out an online legal worksheet prior to their legal office visit (these worksheets are used to help draft wills, powers of attorney, advance directives, etc.). Once a worksheet is completed online a ticket number will be generated for the client. The client must bring the ticket number to the legal office to retrieve their documents.

Select online survey if you want to leave feedback about your experience at a particular legal office.

Where can I access the Peterson AFB Legal Office Website?

Peterson AFB Legal Office Website:
<http://www.peterson.af.mil/units/21stspacwingstaffjudgeadvocate.asp>

The Peterson AFB Legal Office website contains many handouts which deal specifically with Colorado Law. It also contains contact information and up-to-date legal assistance hours.

PETERSON AFB LEGAL OFFICE APPOINTMENT SCHEDULING AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

When are notary and powers of attorney services available?

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday (Walk-In):

- 0800 – 1200
- 1300 – 1500

Thursday (Walk-In):

- 0800 – 1030
- 1300 – 1500

When can I meet with an attorney at the Peterson legal office?

Appointments are available on Monday afternoons between 1300-1430 and Tuesday mornings between 0930-1100. To schedule an appointment, call 719-556-4871. The legal office is also open for walk-in legal assistance Wednesday between 0800-0900.

What topics can I get help with at my appointment?

Although the legal office cannot help you with every legal issue, we can provide assistance with a great many issues such as: wills, living wills, powers of attorney, notary services, dependent care issues, SCRA, veteran's re-employment rights, landlord-tenant issues, tax assistance, consumer debt and ID theft issues, divorce issues. The legal office cannot, however, provide any assistance on personal commercial enterprises, criminal issues whether under the UCMJ, state, or federal law, or legal issues concerning rights of a 3rd person.

How do I begin the process of filing as household goods claim?

To begin the process of filing your claim for your household goods, bring your DD Form 1840R ("the pink sheet") within 70 days of delivery of your household goods to the legal office. It is important to note, that merely bringing this form into the office is not the same as filing a claim, it merely serves as notice to your carrier of your loss/damage. Claims are now filed electronically through the Air Force Claims Center in Dayton, OH. For information required to file your claim, proceed to: <https://claims.jag.af.mil/>. If you don't have access to a government computer, call the claims center at 1-877-754-1212.

Can I get help with my taxes at the legal office?

Yes. The Peterson Tax Center is open every year from February through May. The tax center offers FREE income taxes filing and preparation for most Peterson AFB service members, retirees, and their families.

The information provided in this document is meant for the sole use of Active Duty service members, retirees, and their families. The information is general in nature and meant only to provide a brief overview of various legal matters. Rights and responsibilities vary widely according to the facts and circumstances in each case. Laws can vary across states, services, and civilian jurisdictions. Do not rely upon the general restatements of background information presented here without discussing your specific situation with a legal professional.