

**RÉAL LIVES IN THE ÎLES-DE-LA MADELEINE
AND WANTS KNOW WHETHER HE IS FINANCIALLY ELIGIBLE
FOR LEGAL AID**

Réal has been living in the Îles-de-la-Madeleine for close to 10 years and wants to get custody of his son Michel, who is 10 years old and lives with him.

Real has a yearly gross income of \$32,050. He has \$5,000 in the bank.

He wonders whether he is financially eligible for legal aid.

As of September 13, 2018, the Îles-de-la-Madeleine will be considered to be a remote region within the meaning of the *Act respecting legal aid and the provision of certain other legal services*. Therefore, as of then, those living in the Îles-de-la-Madeleine will benefit from a 20% increase in the financial eligibility thresholds for legal aid services.

To obtain **free** legal aid, Réal and his son must satisfy the following **three** conditions:

- 1- Scale of annual (gross) income:
Gross income must not exceed the following amount for
One adult and one child: \$32,064
- 2- Scale of property owned:
The value of property owned must not exceed
\$90,000, if the residence is owned
\$47,500, if the residence is not owned
- 3- Scale of liquidities:
The value of liquidities must not exceed
\$5,000 for a family
\$2,500 for a single person

Based on the legal aid scale below for remote regions, Réal is therefore eligible for **free** legal aid, because his income is less than \$32,064.

Class of applicant	Annual maximum level
Single person	\$26,208
Family comprised of:	
-one adult and one child	\$32,064
-one adult and two or more children	\$34,230
-spouses without children	\$36,473
-spouses with one child	\$40,809
-spouses with two or more children	\$42,976

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An applicant is a resident of a remote region if, upon submitting his application for legal aid, he has resided or, in the case of a legal person, has had its head office, for at least 6 consecutive months in any of the localities of Mistissini, Oujé-Bougoumou or Waswanipi or in a locality situated in any part of the territory of Québec extending north of the 51st degree of latitude, or in the territory of Côte-Nord extending east of Havre-Saint-Pierre to the eastern limit of Québec, including Île d'Anticosti, that is, since September 13, 2018, in the urban agglomeration of Îles-de-la-Madeleine.

Don't hesitate to have your eligibility for legal aid evaluated by making an appointment at a legal aid office near you.

To find the contact information for your legal aid office, please visit our website at www.csj.qc.ca

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