

## FREE SERVICES

Legal aid is provided free of charge (also called gratuitous legal aid) if the applicant's situation fits the eligibility criteria established by the *Act respecting legal aid and the provision of certain other legal services* and the *Regulation respecting legal aid*.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Annual income (all sources of income: CSST, tips, etc.)
- Family situation (spouse, children, etc.)
- Value of certain assets (house, RRSP, etc.)
- Liquid assets (savings, investments, etc.)

Any person who receives a benefit, other than a special benefit, under a last resort financial assistance program provided for by the Individual and Family Assistance Act or any member of a family receiving such a benefit is deemed financially eligible for a gratuitous legal aid.

### AM I ELIGIBLE FOR FREE LEGAL AID?

Only the Legal Aid Office closest to the place of residence of the person applying can determine if someone is eligible.

**The financial eligibility scale for free legal aid are as follows:**

ANNUAL INCOME SCHEDULE (GROSS) *	
Single person	29,302 \$
Family composed of one adult and one child	35,854 \$
Family composed of one adult and two or more children	38,275 \$
Family composed of spouses with no children	40,782 \$
Family composed of spouses with one child	45,630 \$
Family composed of spouses with two or more children	48,053 \$

\*In some remote regions, the amounts in the table above are increased by 20%.

## CONTRIBUTORY LEGAL AID?

Some people who are not eligible for free legal aid may still be eligible if they contribute something toward the cost of services. [Find out more.](#)

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**Try our questionnaire online to help you to determine your financial eligibility to legal aid.**

The questionnaire is short and it will take you only few minutes to complete:  
[Questionnaire on Financial Eligibility for Legal Aid](#)