



Advice Only Consent Form

We are glad you are here! It is our privilege to serve you. This form explains the relationship between you and Christian Legal Aid in Maryland (referred to as “CLAiM”, “our”, “us”, or “we”). By meeting with you, you understand and agree to the following terms:

- **Who we are.** CLAiM is a nonprofit organization based on Christian values. Because we are a Christian organization, our volunteers may offer you spiritual guidance and offer to pray with you during your interview. You are not required to pray with us, and you do not have to be a Christian to receive our help.
- **Scope of interview:** This is a one-time, limited meeting (referred to as an “interview”). We reserve the right to charge a nominal fee for this interview based on your ability to pay, but if we do so, we will advise you in advance and sign additional paperwork together. We do not have any future obligation to follow up with you or to represent you legally after your interview ends. Although we may try to follow up with you depending on your circumstances, we cannot guarantee or promise that we will be able to do so. If we provide any follow-up services, we will discuss that with you separately (including if there may be certain costs or expenses involved). We will use our best judgment when giving you advice. Our advice, however, is limited by our knowledge and the information you provide to us at the time of this interview.
- **Our volunteers.** Our volunteers may consist of attorneys, paralegals, legal organizations or law students, plus other individuals or organizations without a legal background (referred to collectively as our “volunteers”). Our volunteers who are not licensed attorneys will be working under the supervision of a licensed attorney. Each CLAiM clinic will be supervised by an attorney licensed to practice law in the state of Maryland. Our volunteers are acting solely on behalf of CLAiM and not in their individual capacity or for any other person or organization.
- **Your information.** Any information (written or verbal) you share with us is privileged. We will not use it to harm you or your interests in any way. We may, however, share your information (including personal information) among our volunteers to help us better address your needs, share best practices, or make referrals on your behalf. Please tell us, however, if you do not want any specific information to be shared in this way.

If the above terms are acceptable to you, please sign and date below. Again, we appreciate the opportunity to serve you.

Signature

Printed Name

Date