# STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE ANNUAL REPORT

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This past year has been another very successful year for the Student Legal Service Program.

Thomas E. Betz and Brenda S. Hook continued to be the Student's Attorneys serving the office. Betz is a 1981 graduate of Wayne State University Law School, a member of the Michigan, Illinois and Champaign County Bar Association. Betz is a member of the National Lawyers' Guild and currently serves as President of the Champaign County American Civil Liberties Union. Hook is a 1985 graduate of the University of Illinois College of Law and a member of the Illinois State Bar Association and is active in various community and church affairs. In June of 1988 Ms. Hook completed her tenure with the program. Ms. Hook worked for several years in the program. Her superb talents gave the program great credibility, earning her the respect of the bench and bar and the gratitude of her clients.

In June Ms. Hook's vacancy was filled by Susan Y. Hessee. Ms. Hessee is a 1982 graduate of the University of Illinois College of Law. Ms. Hessee is a member of the Michigan and Illinois Bars. She is also active in the Champaign County Bar Association. She is admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan and the Central District of Illinois. She is also active with the Lawyers' Committee on Nuclear Policy.

Steven Holland worked this past year as an intern in the office. Mr. Holland provided excellent service to the office. Mr. Holland performed numerous trials with a high degree of success. He has gained practical experience which will make him an asset to his future employer.

The program has seen a substantial increase in intake and in open cases. The police point system adopted by the City of Champaign has substantially increased intake in the area of traffic law and has led to a perceptible increase in the opening of traffic cases pursuant to office guidelines. This increase is consistent with the increase which private practitioners are experiencing based on conversations with private attorneys and the volume experienced by the Circuit Clerk's office. At this time the traffic caseload remains manageable.

In August of 1987 we had a booth at the annual Quad Day event. Numerous pieces of literature were distributed prior to the event being rained out. During August we also had a booth at the Campus Resource Fair distributing informational

literature to each residence hall student advisor or representative.

In the Spring we participated in an extensive series of housing seminars in the residence halls as part of the Tenant Union's ongoing "Look Before You Lease" program. We also had a booth this past Spring at the annual Housing Fair sponsored by the Independent Student Organization.

The Student Legal Service Program conducted an information exchange with the Office of International Student Affairs this past Spring. The Student Legal Service program received a half page feature in the April-May 1988 "The Word", published by the Office of International Student Affairs. (See Appendix 1)

Throughout the year the attorneys were interviewed by various news agencies. The August 24, 1987 News Gazette contained an excellent informational article on the Program. (See Appendix 2) The February 18, 1988 issue of the Daily Illini also printed a very informative and positive article on the program. (See Appendix 3) The attorneys throughout the year contributed to various articles on drug testing, polygraph tests, repair and deduct, and Forced D.U.I. apologies being printed by the local media.

In July of 1987 the attorneys traveled to Seattle, Washington for the Annual Meeting of the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, Student Legal Service Division. This conference was extremely useful in that the seminars focused strictly on the type of cases Student Legal Service offices handle.

The office presently uses over 70 different informational pamphlets including our in house publications. The attorneys would like to prepare in house publications in the following areas: False Identification, Copyright, Criminal Law, How to Prepare Your Own Trial, Marriage Licenses, Travel Guidelines, Arrest Cards, Safety Responsibility, and most importantly, a brochure on Courtroom Behavior and Dress Code. These brochures are major tasks, however, the funding exists and the need is great.

The attorneys strongly urge the Board to adopt a written policy guideline regarding student versus student conflicts which is more specific than the presently existing policy. The state has guidelines for prepaid legal service plans proscribing student versus student representation as does the Student Legal Service Plan. However, the office needs guidance regarding two situations. The first situation involves the circumstance in which the cause of action arose while both parties were students but the cause of action becomes ripe after one party is no longer a student. The second situation takes place when the office has either

provided advice or representation in a matter and subsequently or during the proceedings the opposed party becomes a student. Written guidance can provide a sound anchor for the attorneys who must deal with the client or potential client.

The attorneys remain very concerned regarding representation in matters involving various forms of student discipline. Ms. Hook adhered to the position that representation was unethical due to the appearance of a conflict of interest. In rare instances Mr. Betz has provided direct representation. The ethical boundaries are somewhat unclear in this area.

The attorney's look forward to the new pay by mail procedures adopted in Champaign for city offenses. This streamlined procedure will be of great value to students and should alleviate some Court appearances by the staff attorneys.

The Program looks forward to a productive and challenging year.

#### ACTIVITIES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Campus Resource Fair August	17, 1987
Quad Day August 2	26, 1987
Bevier Hall September	er 14, 1987
Legalese (TV Program) September	er 25, 1987
Housing Fair February	y 22, 1987
Illini Union Board Activity Day February	y 25 <b>,</b> 1987
Office of International Student Affairs March 7	, 1987
Look Before You Lease February - En	nd of March
Summer Orientation May - Ju	ılv

#### Some Legal Advice

#### by Brenda Hook & Thomas Betz

The Student Legal Service can be used by international students for advice and information on a wide range of legal matters, including landlord-tenant, certification and notarization of documents, consumer, criminal, family law, employment, name change, and others. In addition, the Student Legal Service's two attorneys provide in-court representation to students on any of these matters.

Because the Student Legal Service is funded by the SORF fee, only students who have not taken a refund of the SORF fee are eligible to use the service.

The Student Legal Service attorneys have some words of advice for international students. A student should read any document, such as a lease or other agreement, very carefully before signing, and it is a good idea to have an attorney read it over as well before signing. It is also important that the student keep a copy of the document for his or her records.

International students must also take care when lending money to another person. Students are advised not to lend another person money unless one knows the person, where he or she lives, and whether he or she is trustworthy. Any such loan arrangement should be put in writing and signed by both parties. Unfortunately, many students fail to do this and lose the money they have loaned.

Finally, students who drive automobiles are strongly advised to obtain automobile insurance. Each semester a relatively high number of students come to the Student Legal Service who have been in automobile accidents and were not covered by automobile insurance. The consequences in such cases can be very serious, as the uninsured student may be liable for a large amount of money and may lose his or her driver's license until all the money has been paid.

For more information about these and other legal matters, come to the Student Legal Service at 268 Illini Union, 333-9053. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

The Office of International Student Affairs strongly recommends that international students do not obtain a refund of their SORF fees. SORF, or Student Organization Resource Fund, provides support for many campus organizations such as the Student Legal Service, the Tenant Union and to national student organizations. Upon obtaining a SORF refund, students are no longer eligible to receive free legal assistance from the Legal Service and any legal problems that might be encountered in the future must be solved privately. The SORF fee of \$4 is a small price to pay for assured legal help.

#### **Departure Reminders**

#### by Nancy Mark

Before setting off to far away places this summer, check with OISA to make sure you have the appropriate travel document. During this busy time, you should plan for a one week wait for travel documents.

GRADUATES: All graduating international students are strongly advised to schedule an appointment with an OISA counselor before leaving campus.

#### **IHC: Volunteers Needed**

#### by Kimberly Kendall-Dick

As usual, IHC is moving ahead in 1988 with continued efforts in the Host Family, Friendship Groups, and English Classes areas, and new excitement in their "Reach Out" for volunteers program. This academic year 205 students were happily placed with Host Families. There are nine very active Friendship Groups, and six well-attended English classes. Our storeroom, staffed volunteers, has diligently tried to meet the basic living items needs of new students and their families. There is, however, a present need for dishes, pots and pans, linens, lamps, and any useful household items that you can donate to aid the newcomers in their adjustment to our community. Please contact Mary Lou St. Clair at 344-6968 for further informa-

On May 4, 1988 the International Hospitality Committee will hold its Annual Meeting at the home of Kathy Lawrence, 1807 Joni Leann Ct., Urbana. The program includes election of officers and many special presentations. Remember, we are always looking for volunteers. If you have a few hours available and the desire to share and learn about other cultures, we can help bring the world to your doorstep. Contact Donna Lembke at 367-9933 or Becky Hanson at 344-3977 for more information about the meeting.

#### **Spend Spring With Cosmo**

#### by Laura Buhs

Cosmo has had a busy spring--coffee hours, Project Understanding, the International Dinner and Performance Night, the Lebanese Dinner, and a trip to Chicago. But...the fun is not over yet. Cosmo has planned a trip to the Amish Community on April 30, a German Dinner on May 8, and, of course, weekly coffee hours with the YMCA. Call Cosmo (367-3079) for details!

# Legal Service provides free help for students

#### By The N ws-Gazette

Shakest are suggested killing all the lawyers, but students might find they come in handy for dealing with recalcitrant landlords, getting a divorce and other unsavory matters.

Some of those services are provided free for students at the Student Legal Service, 268 Illini Union, 1401 W. Green St., U.

While a large amount of time is spent on landlord-tenant disputes, the legal service also handles traffic violations, misdemeanors, name changes and uncontested divorces.

The service is free to all who have paid their Student Organizations Resource Fee — SORF.

There are some problems the service won't touch, said Brenda Hook, one of two staff attorneys.

Out of bounds are matters pitting student vs. student, and student vs. the State of Illinois. Matters involving real estate, wills or student business ventures also are not handled by the service.

To use the service, students must come to the office in person. After filling out a questionnaire and presenting their student identification card, students receive an appointment.

Normally, students with legitimate legal problems can meet with a staff member within three days of initially contacting the service. For students' protection, no legal advice is given over the telephone, Hook said.

All cases are kept confidential. "Preventive legal education" is another area the service emphasizes. Staff attorneys welcome the opportunity to discuss this and the legal profession at campus and community gatherings.

From 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, the Legal: Service can be reached by telephone at 333-9053.

# A \$4 investment you can't beat

#### Steve Timble



It's a small office on the south side of the Illini Union's second

floor. Its neighbors include the office of the C-U Coalition Against Apartheid, the Gay Illini, Star Course, College Republicans and a number of other student organizations. Unlike many of the neighboring offices, this one's door closes automatically after you walk in

cally after you walk in.

Not because students are not welcome here, not because you need any special qualification to be admitted to this office. The door swings shut to keep what goes on inside this office from being heard anywhere else except inside this office. It's reassuring in a way, especially if you're here for a reason. Espe-



cially if you're here to get help.
The place is Student Legal
Service. To a large majority of
students at the University it is
just another name in a phone
book, another part of the college
deal, another office they hope
they will never have to visit.
Thomas Betz, one of Student
Legal Service's two lawyers,
says it best: "It's one of those
things you don't know about until you need it."

And I agree. It wasn't until an unfortunate morning last October that I realized how much I needed the legal service. A late-evening run-in with the Urbana Police, an ensuing citizen's complaint I filed against them along with my ever-decreasing popularity with the men in blue found ne arrested the next morning, handcuffed, and booked on the trumped-up charges of battery. I was in Jial and I needed help.

handcuffed, and booked on the trumped-up charges of battery. I was in jail and I needed help. Student Legal Service has a staff of three. Two lawyers and a secretary. Brenda Hook and Thomas Betz are lawyers available to the total student population. They represent almost any case, as long as it is not student against a student or student against the University. Betty Dowling is their secretary. Their office is at 268 Illini Union, open five days a week, from 9 am. to 5 p.m..

When I walked in this Mon-

When I walked in this Monday. Thomas Betz greeted me with a wave of his hand and finished a telephone conversation before asking me to sit down. The office was noticeably empty. Even Betty Dowling, their secretary, was absent. When I asked Tom about this he smiled.

She's downstairs making copies .... We've never had the money to get our own photostat machine.

Student Legal Service gets by They are on a fixed annual budget of \$89.900 for the next five years. This is \$17.90 more than their previous annual budget of \$72.000. This pays for two lawyers, a secretary, books, advertising and promotion and ail the costs associated with keeping an office. They are completely funded by the Student Organization Resource Fee

Student Legal Service is al-

ways busy. They are always booked days in advance. The phone rings incessantly. People walk in and out constantly. When the secretary is making copies, the lawyers answer the phone. Their office is small; by private law firm standards, tiny. As Betz said, "You need a good sense of humor to work here..."

sultation.

Student Legal Service provides a service for students that is more than a bargain. Legal consultation from a private law firm can run anywhere from \$15 to \$50 for one-half hour. Representation in court can cost up to 10 times as much. The legal service provides these exact same services for only \$4 a semester.

This is achieved through a \$4.

This is achieved through a \$4 SORF fee. This fee, in part, also supports many of the campus' student organizations. It is collected as part of the tuition charge at the beginning of each semester. It is refundable. Starting next Monday, Feb. 22, students can get their SORF refunds from Room 100 Henry Administration Building. You only have to do two small things. One is show your ID. The other is to give up your right to use Student Legal Service.

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When I was a freshman I got my SORF refund. Went to the Administration Building, stood in line. showed my ID to a smilning lady, signed a paper and walked away four bucks richer. Sometimes I recoil at my own stupidity. I guess I can blame it on my lack of experience or my freshman naivele but in the end it was just an act of supreme idiocy. I really had no idea of all the benefits I gave up when I took back those four dollars. No idea at all.

I didn't realize until almost four years later when, by a completely bizarre turn of circumstances. I ended up in the Champaign County Detention Center in the custody of a gloating Urbana policeman. I didn't realize until Student Legal Service took my case and appealed the charges. I didn't realize until a letter came in the mail informing me of my case being dismissed without cenalty.

charges. I didn't realize unit a letter came in the mail informing me of my case being dismissed without penalty.

All of this, every single bit of it, was free. I did not pay any more than my \$4 SORF fee and I received top-quality legal consultation and representation. I appeared in court only once. All other appearances were done by my lawyer. Overall, I did very little except tell my story, present my evidence and lose a lot of sleep. Student Legal Service

sent my evidence and lose a lot of sleep. Student Legal Service took care of the rest. It's a great deal and if there is one thing I learned from it is: DO NOT GET YOUR SORF REFUND!

I mean it, don't do it. You might think that it will never happen to you, that you will never need to have a lawyer. Fact is, you probably won't Odds say you will never have problems with the police, never have a bad landford, never be discriminated against. Odds are you can get your four bucks, buy lunch, a beer, olay 20 video games.

But beware: When the odds go bad, you'd better be ready to live with your decision.

Timple is a senior In commerce and his column will appear weekly on Thursdays

# Police point system spurs ticket-writing

# Policy may make crime work pay, or anger public

By DEBRA PRESSEY and ERIC SCHUSTER News-Gazette Staff Writers

Champaign police are issuing far more tickets, spurred on by a new point system and the possibility of vacation prizes.

The new system — which attaches points to 13 different police activities and gives each officer a daily total to reach — has been in effect a month and already is showing results, according to Deputy Police Chief Donald Carter.

Police officials have dangled the possibility of rewards, such as a weekend package at a motel or extra vacation time, to officers who rack up the most points in a year.

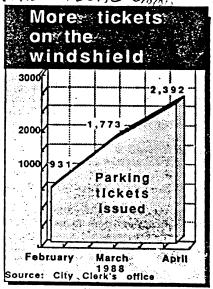
"Obviously, we can't offer a trip to Hawaii," Carter said. "We're limited by our budget."

THE POINT SYSTEM, created by Carter with advice from a police morale committee, replaced the "minimum work goals" that were handed out earlier this year and regarded by some officers as a quota system.

The work goals, put into effect on the 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. day shift in early March, established a minimum number of moving-violation tickets, parking tickets and field interviews (questioning suspicious persons) required of each officer per month.

Police officials began altering that system before it ever reached other shifts because it limited measurable productivity to traffic enforcement and was "much more subject to criticism as a quota," Carter said.

Under the new system, points are



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awarded for various police activities which can be counted, such as arrests, tickets and written reports.

Felony arrests rank highest and are worth 40 points apiece. Moving-violation tickets are worth 20 points each, warning tickets five points and parking tickets one point.

Officers on each shift have different totals to fulfill because of their varying work loads. Officers on the day shift have been asked to aim for 34 points a day.

Carter said this "bottom line" standard is necessary to motivate a handful of unproductive patrol officers.

BUT THE IDEA OF a prize or reward, which hasn't been finalized, is intended to be an incentive for the majority of officers in the department who already do a good job, he said.

The new system was developed with assistance from patrol officers, and it allows officers much

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## Point system

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more discretion, Carter said.

For example, officers who may not like to go after speeders with a radar gun are free to focus their attention on other areas of police work and still attain their point totals, Carter said.

The new system also has the advantage of evaluating officers on a monthly average so an officer hav-ing a bad day can make up for it on

ing a oau day can make up for it on another day, he explained. "Because of that, I don't think I'm forcing anybody to go out and give a lot of cheap tickets," Carter said. But City Clerk Jody Campbell has

questioned a 71 percent increase in officer-written parking tickets in April over the same month last

POLICE ALSO ARE showing a 21 percent increase in moving-violation tickets for the first four months of this year compared with the same period last year.

Uniform police officers chalked up 2,392 tickets last month — and that figure excludes tickets written by the meter enforcement patrol. Just 1,773 parking tickets were written by officers in March, and 931 in

Some of the recent parking tickets are for trivial offenses and are making people angry, Campbell

She said one man told her he got a ticket at about 3 a.m. two nights in a row for parking in his drive-way so that his vehicle extended slightly over the sidewalk. His neighbors got similar tickets.

Delivery truck drivers are being

ticketed for parking in all their time-honored spots, she added.
"Technically they're in the wrong, but there's nowhere else to stop." Campbell said. "This is kind of nicker"

of picky."

Officer Larry Coffey said a lot of picky" tickets are being written by officers trying to make their point totals.

"Even the night shift is out there writing parking tickets trying to get their points," he added.

OTHER OFFICERS also are critical of the point system.

"It forces us to be primarily puni-tive in our jobs," says Officer Den-nis Costello. "It makes me put my priorities in a different area. I've always thought of myself as a peace officer. There are a lot of ways to handle a situation without making an arrest.

Costello said he realizes police work offers some an opportunity to be lazy, since officers are largely self-supervising. But he added the point system is not likely to improve the department's public relations.

Officer Steve Rousey questions whether the department is motivated by revenue from increased tick-

"I don't disagree with what they're trying to do, but I have to question their priorities," he added. But other officers say the point system is a good step.

"I think it's great," said Officer Jerry Jamison. "The way I feel about parking tickets is if you're not violating the law you don't

have anything to worry about."

A member of the police committee striving to improve officer morale also likes the point system.

To the majority of officers, this won't make a difference - it's not going to make any difference at all in my job," said Officer Jeff Jolley.

Jolley said he and other members

of the morale committee participated in developing the system, and he believes the public will welcome the department's concern that po-

lice earn their salaries.
"I'm a taxpayer, too," he added. "It irritated me that some guys were doing nothing."

CARTER SAID MOST officers accept the point system, but he acknowledged it's fairly unique

among police departments.

"This policy is in many ways breaking new ground," he said.

Most police departments "shy away from this kind of thing" because they fear being branded with a quota system, Carter added.

The point system is indeed unique in this area.

Urbana, University of Illinois, county and Rantoul police officials all say they have no such system.

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Urbana Public Safety Director John Troeger said it's not the department's policy to set quantitative goals — grading the performance of individual officers is left up to supervisors.

In Rantoul's "traffic-oriented department," police don't need a productivity standard, says Chief Allen

"We don't want to get involved in a quota setting," he added. "We feel our officers in general are doing a good job."

But Jones says quotas or productivity standards are widely accepted in the private sector and only have a bad image when they're practiced by police.

"Most places look for a productiv-ity level — it's not uncommon at a factory level," he added.

According to UI Police Chief Paul Dollins, the public and police administrators have the right to monitor the productivity of officers, and the UI does so on a daily basis.

'We don't have a quota system as such, but we do expect them to produce," Dollins added. "If someone is not at the level we think they're capable of, then we'll talk to them on an individual basis."

STATE POLICE HAVE no quota system but have been monitoring the productivity of state troopers for several years now under a "Policing for Results" program.

The program is "a good way to find out if an officer has retired, but not yet notified the department," jokes state police spokesman Bob Fletcher.

Fletcher said the state evaluates troopers based on the numbers of speeding and drunken driving citations and other incidents expected to occur at various periods. Officers are not required to make a mini-mum number of arrests.

If a guy in the space of a month writes up just one flat possum, his supervisor will counsel him." Fletcher added.

Traffic\* citations∈ issued÷ in≂ Champaign≠ County∻ 234 Sheriff's deputies Champaign police State police Tickets issued # 1988 Jan.-April 1967 Source: Circuit Clerk's office News-Gazette graphic

### Watch your speed, pal; area tickets are up 18%

Champaign County's top law enforcement official has been more careful lately about his driving, especially in Champaign. "Since I became aware of their

stepped-up enforcement, I've tried to be extremely careful," said State's Attorney Thomas Di-fanis. "I've been ticketed twice before as state's attorney, including once in Champaign, so it's not like they're reluctant to give me one."

Figures from Circuit Clerk Betty Smith show that Champaign police have issued 555 more tickets in the first four months of the year compared with the same period in 1987.

Most of the increase has come in the past two months, when Champaign police began to use a point system for keeping track of officer productivity. Administra-tors acknowledge the system has led to more activity in all areas of police work, including traffic and parking tickets.

THE INCREASE IN Champaign has contributed to an 18 percent rise in the number of traffic violations issued throughout the county this year compared with the same period last year.

Officers with the University of Illinois, state police, Rantoul and county sheriff also are writing more tickets compared with the first four months of 1987. Urbana officers bucked the trend by writing fewer citations than in the

first four months of 1987.

Both Difanis and Smith are waiting to see whether the trend continues for the next few months. They said an increased workload would justify a budget request to the county board for more staff to handle traffic cases.

"It definitely has had an impact on our office," said Smith, who provides the clerical staff for traffic court. "I've got eight girls over there who are so busy, they don't know what to do next.

An increasing number of county residents are finding their way to an obscure block-long street in downtown Urbana called Bennett Avenue.

Traffic court, where offenders can pay fines or appear before a judge, is at 102 S. Bennett Ave. west of the courthouse.

TICKETS ISSUED by UI police showed the highest relative increase of 40 percent among all the agencies, rising from 469 dur-ing the first four months of 1987 to 656 so far this year. State police citations increased 25 percent from 1,355 to 1,726

Violations cited by Champaign

officers were up 21 percent from 2,667 to 3,222. Rantoul police increased their ticket output 5 percent from 573 at the start of last year to 601 during the first four months this year.

Sheriff's deputies issued 17 percent more tickets in the first four months this year — 234 compared with 200. Patrol Capt. Kenneth Brownfield said additional speeding arrests account for some of the increase.

Citations in Urbana declined 2 percent from 1.039 during the four-month period last year to 1,018 this year. John Troeger, public safety director in Urbana, said the city's annual ticket totals typically rise or fall by small amounts, and he offered no explanation for the slight drop so far this year.

UI Police Chief Paul Dollins was similarly stumped by the trend toward more tickets on campus.

"We're not doing anything different in terms of traffic enforcement," Dollins said. "We always encourage them to write up a violation whenever they see one because of the congestion in the campus area. We feel strict compliance to traffic laws is vital in that area."

Dollins said that, similar to Urbana, the annual number of UI traffic citations usually fluctuates from one year to the next.

COMPARING THE FIRST fourmonth period, tickets issued by all agencies in the county in-creased from 6,776 in 1985 to 7,107 in 1986. The four-month total dropped 11 percent to 6,333 tickets in 1987 and then rose to 7,457 at the start of this year.

"I naven't received any complaints about the types of tickets we're writing," Dollins said. "I know that our arrests for DUI (drunken driving) and speeding are up, but I'm glad to see that because those violations pose a real threat to others."

Bob Fletcher, a spokesman for the Illinois State Police in Springfield, said troopers statewide have been issuing more tickets since April 1987 when the speed limit on rural interstates was increased from 55 to 65 mph.

Fletcher also noted that state police began writing tickets for failure to use seat belts a year ago when the higher speed limit went into effect. Troopers issued only warning tickets during the year before 1987 when the seat belt law was in effect, he said

- ERIC SCHUSTER and DEBRA PRESSEY

#### STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

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# Student Legal Service Program

# PURPOSE OF THE STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

The purpose of the Student Legal Service is to inform students of practical aspects of the law as applied to their individual problems. In addition, in-court representation is available in many cases.

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE

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