

Referrals

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Housing Counseling Line: (800) 569-4287

Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)

Central Office Address

735 E. Michigan Ave.
P.O. Box 30044
Lansing, Michigan 48909
Telephone: (517) 373-8370

Michigan Department of Attorney General

Lansing Office

G. Mennen Williams Building, 7th Floor
525 W. Ottawa St.
P.O. Box 30212
Lansing, MI 48909

Main Number: (517) 373-1110
Consumer Protection: (517) 373-1140
Toll Free: (877) 765-8388
Report all suspected incidents of consumer fraud/scams

Office of Finance and Insurance Regulation (OFIR)

Department of Labor and Economic Growth
Lansing, Michigan

If you think there were misrepresentations, fraud, or other violations of law in making the mortgage loan, contact OFIR to file a complaint at: (877) 999-6442 or www.michigan.gov/ofir (select Consumer Services, How to File a Complaint).

Lawyer Referral Service—(800) 968-0738

*Taken from Michigan State Bar Association website (on January 2012):
<http://www.michbar.org/programs/lawyerreferral.cfm>*

The State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral and Information Service (LRIS) is designed to assist members of the public who want to hire an attorney and can afford to pay for legal services.

If you have a legal problem and **cannot** afford to hire an attorney, please contact your local legal aid office. For your convenience, the following is a link to the legal assistance programs and services found on the State Bar of Michigan’s website (View Legal Aid Programs and Services):

http://www.michbar.org/public_resources/legalaid.cfm

How the Lawyer Referral Service Works (View Terms of the LRIS):

http://www.michbar.org/programs/LRS_terms.cfm

- You may dial **(800) 968-0738** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to speak with a lawyer referral representative **or** submit an online referral request:
http://www.michbar.org/programs/LRS_request.cfm
- When you call the LRIS, you will be asked to provide your name and address, the general nature of your concern, and the county in which you need assistance. A lawyer referral representative will give you the name and telephone number of one attorney (**only 1 referral will be provided per call or request**) who is a LRIS panel member. Referrals are made to panel members on an impartial, rotation basis.
- When you contact the attorney, please state that you received a referral from the State Bar of Michigan. The cost of your initial 30-minute consultation with a LRIS panel member will be no more than \$20.00. Any and all fees beyond the initial 30-minute consultation (including, but not limited to, fee agreements for representation) must be negotiated with the attorney.

If the county in which your legal problem arose is on the following list, please call the lawyer referral service for that county **first**. Please note that the rules and fees for the referral services listed below may be different from the State Bar’s LRIS.

Counties Covered	Name of Lawyer Referral Service	Telephone Number
Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, Lenawee, and Washtenaw	Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association (Wayne County)	(313) 961-3545
Genesee	Genesee County Bar Association	(810) 232-6000
Grand Traverse, Leelanau, and Antrim	Grand Traverse – Leelanau – Antrim Bar Association	(231) 922-4715
Kent, Ottawa, Muskegon, and Allegan	Grand Rapids Bar Association	(616) 855-0273
Macomb, and St. Clair	Macomb County Bar Association	(586) 468-8300
Oakland	Oakland County Bar Association	(248) 338-2100
Washtenaw, Western Wayne, Lenawee, Livingston, and Monroe	Washtenaw County Bar Association	(734) 996-3229