



TRENDING NOW

You've Been Served. Now What?

It sounds dramatic because television has made it dramatic. But being “served” simply means you’ve formally received legal documents notifying you about a court case or proceeding. The most important thing? Don’t ignore it. Legal documents may include deadlines to respond or appear in court, and missing them can have consequences.

Also, don’t assume you understand what paperwork means. A summons, complaint and subpoena each serve different purposes. Receiving legal papers doesn’t automatically mean you’ve done something wrong or already lost a case. It means something that requires your attention. If you’re served with legal documents, contact Legal Resources promptly. A plan attorney can help you understand what you received and what steps may come next.

FEATURED STORY

When Back-to-School Changes the Parenting Plan

A new school year can mean more than new teachers and new routines. For separated or divorced parents, it can also expose problems in a custody or parenting arrangement that worked just fine during the summer.

Who handles pickup when dismissal times change? What happens when sports practice falls on other parent’s day? Who decides whether a child changes schools? What if a parent moves or a new work schedule makes transportation difficult? School enrollment, transportation, extracurricular activities, and changing schedules can all affect how an existing parenting arrangement works in everyday life.

There’s also an important difference between occasionally accommodating a schedule change and making a lasting change to a court order. Parents may agree to swap days or adjust pickup times, but an informal arrangement doesn’t necessarily modify the existing order.

If school-year changes are becoming permanent, or parents disagree about an important decision, it may be time to review what the current agreement actually says.

A Legal Resources plan attorney can review an existing custody or parenting agreement, explain your rights and responsibilities, and help determine whether a formal modification may be appropriate.



CYBER CORNER

Your Boss Is Texting. Or Are They?

Unexpected text from your boss? Look for red flags like a new number, urgent or unusual requests, gift card purchases, or requests for sensitive information. Don't reply or click any links. Instead, verify the message by contacting the person directly using a number you already trust.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Meet This Month's WLGL Featured Attorney

With 15+ years of legal experience, Ashby Pope helps clients navigate a range of legal matters. On September 9, she'll lead *When Life Gets Legal: Probate, Estates, and Leaving a Legacy*, on probate, executor duties, and how planning ahead eases things for loved ones.



Ashby Pope, Esq.
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Session:
Probate, Estates, & Leaving a Legacy
Date:
September 9, 2026
from 12 - 1 pm EST

SEMINAR DATES

WHEN LIFE GETS LEGAL

Topic: Probate, Estates, & Leaving a Legacy
Date: Sept. 9, 2026 from 12 - 1 pm EST

IDENTITY THEFT TODAY

Topic: Outsmarting Push Payment Fraud
Date: Sept. 16, 2026 from 12 - 1 pm EST

CONVERSATIONS FOR CAREGIVERS

Topic: Estate Planning Basics for Families Managing Care
Date: Sept. 23, 2026 from 12 - 1 pm EST

CASE IN POINT

When Identity Theft Becomes Your Debt

A member was shocked to receive a collection notice for a personal loan she never opened, a debt that seemed to come out of nowhere. Worried about her credit and unsure how to prove the debt wasn't hers, she turned to Legal Resources ID Protect for guidance.

Through her benefit, she received one-on-one help reporting the fraud, disputing the loan, and navigating each step of the process from start to finish. Instead of facing it alone, she had a knowledgeable advocate by her side through resolution. Ultimately, the fraudulent debt was removed from her credit report and she was cleared of responsibility.

FINANCIAL PLANNING

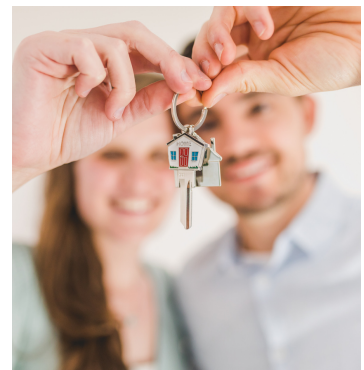
Will You Have Enough to Retire?

Not sure if you're saving enough for retirement? You're not alone, and it's a question that keeps a lot of people up at night. It's never a bad time to get a clearer picture. A financial check in can help you understand where you stand, identify opportunities, and create realistic next steps toward the future you're working for. Best of all, personalized financial planning with **Kinnect Advisors** is already included with your Legal Resources plan, so professional guidance is closer than you think.

FAQ

Q: I recently bought a home. Should I update my estate plan?

A: A new home is a good reason to review your will, beneficiaries and other estate documents. Contact Member Services to connect with an attorney who can help ensure your plan still reflects your wishes.



LEGAL LINGO

What Does "Due Process" Actually Mean?

You hear the phrase "due process" all the time, but what does it mean?

Due process is the constitutional principle that government must follow fair procedures before depriving someone of life, liberty or property. The Fifth Amendment applies this to the federal government; the Fourteenth extends it to the states. Why now? September 17 is Constitution Day, marking the 1787 signing of the U.S. Constitution.

So when you hear "right to due process," it's one of the fundamental protections in American law, a concept that has shaped the legal system for generations.

