

# Welcome to the Colorado Judicial Branch



We will help you if we can, and we will treat everyone equally. However, we are allowed by law to help you only in certain ways.

**We Can** answer general questions about how the court works.

**We Can** provide you with contact information for legal services programs.

**We Can** give you general information about court rules, terminology, procedures, and practices.

**We Can** provide court schedules and information on how to get a case scheduled.

**We Can** provide you with certain information from your case file.

**We Can** provide to you or refer you to court forms and instructions.

**We Can** review your forms by checking for signatures, notarization, correct county name, and case number.

**We Can** answer general questions about court deadlines.

**We Can** tell you whether or not an order has been issued and what the order is.

**We Cannot** explain judicial decisions or let you speak to the judge outside of the courtroom.

**We Cannot** refer you to specific lawyers, contact programs or lawyers for you, or give answers that involve legal advice.

**We Cannot** advise you as to how the court rules and procedures will be applied to your case.

**We Cannot** advise you whether you should bring your case to court or give you an opinion about what will happen if you bring your case to court.

**We Cannot** provide you with information that has been restricted by court order or law.

**We Cannot** tell you how you should complete the forms or complete the forms for you.

**We Cannot** correct forms for you or tell you what corrections should be made.

**We Cannot** tell you what to say in court.

**We Cannot** talk to the judge for you or change an order from a judge.

We want to respond with current and accurate information, but not all court staff will know the answer to all questions about court rules, terminology, procedures, and practices. When not certain of the answer, court staff have been instructed to suggest that you contact an attorney or you may check the Colorado Judicial Branch's Self-Help Center at [www.courts.state.co.us](http://www.courts.state.co.us).