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## **First Judicial District offers assistance to self-represented litigants in probate and elder-law matters**

GOLDEN, Colo. – The Self-Help Center of the First Judicial District (Gilpin and Jefferson counties) is providing a chance for people with legal questions regarding probate or elder-law matters to meet with an attorney for 15 minutes.

The “ask-an-attorney” sessions are confidential and free of charge. Topics may include trusts, estates, wills (probate with and without a will), adult guardianships and conservatorships, and powers of attorney.

Sessions are held on the second and fourth Friday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon at the Jefferson County Courthouse, 100 Jefferson County Parkway, in Golden, Room 2040 on the second floor of the courts side of the building. Attorneys are available on a first-come, first-served basis, with no appointment necessary.

The Self-Help Center also offers a free informational clinic on the third Friday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon to assist people in completing their required conservator and/or guardian reports. The location of these clinics varies; please ask for the room number at the self-help desk in Room 1050 on the courts side of the building.

These services are available to anybody; people who want to meet with an attorney on probate and elder-law matters do not need to have a case in the First Judicial District. For more

information, contact self-represented litigant coordinators Brigitte Smith or April Bernard at 303-271-6570.

The Self-Help Center opened early this year to offer help to people representing themselves in non-criminal court proceedings. Self-represented case managers can provide procedural information, locate forms and help self-represented litigants complete them. The Self-Help Center is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.