

## **LEGAL ADVICE HOTLINES**

### **Legal Information for Families Today (LIFT)**

CONTACT: (212) 330-7777 for information and referrals on matters handled in Family Court such as:

- custody
- visitation
- child protective proceedings
- termination of parental rights proceedings
- child support
- guardianship/standby guardianship
- orders or protection
- PINS (Person In Need of Supervision)
- Voluntary placement of a child into foster care.

LIFT provides brief advice and referrals on these matters. LIFT does not provide direct legal representation. You may leave a message and a staff member will return your call.

### **City Bar Fund - SHIELD**

CONTACT: (212) 626-7383, Mon. – Fri., 9 am – 12:30 pm

Eligibility Requirements: Family income should be at or below 200% of poverty level (\$2082/month for a household of two)

The SHIELD hotline offers legal information, advice, and referrals on matters including:

- matrimonial law
- housing
- domestic violence
- public benefits

The Pro Se Uncontested Divorce Clinics assist self-represented uncontested divorce seekers by completing the necessary court papers. The Pro Se Contested Divorce Clinics provide free brief services by experienced volunteer matrimonial practitioners for self-represented people embroiled in contested divorce cases.

Information obtained, in part, from <http://www.lawhelp.org>.

There is no guarantee that any of these legal services will be available to assist any individual regardless of whether the individual meets the eligibility guidelines.