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Monday - Friday
9:00am - 5:00pm

Members of the public are welcome to visit the library for **\$5 a day to do their own research.**

Note: Our building requires visitors to show a valid government-issued ID.

Computers, Printing & More

- Legal databases, Word processing, Internet access
- Printing & photocopying
 - **10 cents a page**
- Free scanner

HOW WE CAN HELP

Jenkins staff are librarians, NOT attorneys.

WE CAN:	WE CANNOT:
Provide a list of legal aid organizations & lawyer referral services	Give you answers to legal questions or give legal advice
Recommend books & digital/online resources on your topic	Select or fill out forms for you
Show you how to use & search legal databases	Do research or write briefs for you

ONLINE SELF-HELP RESEARCH GUIDES

Jenkins publishes **online Self-Help research guides** to *link* you to **free legal aid organizations, court websites & forms, brochures**, and websites where you may **find law** on different topics.

- Guide on **finding free legal aid**: guides.jenkinslaw.org/self-help-free-legal-aid
- Guide on **finding an attorney to hire**: guides.jenkinslaw.org/self-help-find-a-lawyer
- Guide on **finding laws** & more: guides.jenkinslaw.org/self-help-finding-laws
- Guide on **finding forms**: guides.jenkinslaw.org/self-help-forms

For a list of **all** of our Self-Help guides, see: guides.jenkinslaw.org/self-help-guides

FREE FORM PACKETS

Jenkins has forms available for free at our front desk, including:

Protection From Abuse	Custody
Petition for Contempt of PFA	Petition for Contempt of Custody Order
Petition for Reconsideration (PFA)	Petition for Reconsideration (Custody)
Petition to Modify PFA	Petition to Modify Custody Order
Petition to Extend PFA	Name Change
Petition to Open Default Judgement - PFA	Name change for minors (age 17 and under) with info. on birth certificates.
Petition to Vacate PFA	Name change for adults

NOTE on Divorce forms:

Jenkins does **NOT** have pre-printed packets for divorce forms.

Forms for simple (**NO property/assets/debts or alimony**), no-fault divorces can be found at:

- courts.phila.gov/forms
 - > Court of Common Pleas Family Court - Domestic Relations
 - > Divorce
- pacourts.us/learn/representing-yourself/divorce-proceedings

Visitors can use Jenkins' computers to print forms.

For divorces **with** property, assets, and/or alimony, self-represented litigants can use the library's books and legal databases to *do their own research*.

FINDING OTHER FORMS

Check court/government websites for forms.

For example:

- courts.phila.gov/forms
- pacourts.us/forms

For more ideas, see:

guides.jenkinslaw.org/self-help-forms

Visit Jenkins to search for sample forms.

- Ask a librarian for help finding resources with forms.
 - You must choose and complete forms yourself.
- Sample forms are **examples** and may need to be changed or rewritten to fit your situation.
- Sometimes you might need to **create your own form**.

OTHER RESOURCES

Need to Hire an Attorney?

Contact the

Philadelphia Bar Association

Lawyer Referral & Information Service

215-238-6333 | Mon. - Fri., 9am - 5pm

philadelphiabarlawyers.com

Help Center @ Philadelphia Family Court

1501 Arch St. | 11th Floor

Simple, No-Fault Divorce Help | Tues & Thurs | 9:30am-12pm

- **No property/assets or alimony**
- Volunteers are librarians, **not** attorneys
- Information, not advice

Note: Arrive early to sign up & **get a number** from the court staff

Custody Help | Mon-Fri | 12-3pm (Volunteers from PLA & more)