

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The FLLSS Project aims to improve access to justice for middle-income Ontarians by increasing the availability of unbundled legal services, including limited scope retainers and legal coaching.

OTHER PLACES YOU CAN GET HELP

Contact your Family Law Information Centre or Legal Aid Ontario for other legal services that are available to you.

**Are you
looking for a
family law
lawyer or
more
information
on unbundled
family law
services?**

More information about the Family Law Limited Scope Services Project is available at the project website:

www.FamilyLawLSS.ca

Email: info@FamilyLawLSS.ca

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**Do You
Need
Family
Law Help?**

Learn about "unbundled" legal services, an affordable option between full lawyer representation and no help at all

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Project
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ABOUT UNBUNDLED LEGAL SERVICES

Unbundled services can help you get the legal assistance you need, within a budget you can afford. A common feature of unbundled family law services is that a client is charged a flat fee for a particular service or is quoted an hourly rate with an estimate of the total cost. Either way, there should be no surprises regarding what you are expected to pay.

Another key feature of unbundled services is that the client retains responsibility for some or all of their issues and the lawyer only assists the client as the client and lawyer have agreed to in advance.

WHAT UNBUNDLED LEGAL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE?

LIMITED SCOPE RETAINERS

Under a limited scope retainer, a lawyer provides services for part, but not all, of a client's legal matter. For example, the lawyer might be retained only to:

- assist with drafting documents
- help to begin or respond to a case
- help in a particular step in a case, such as a motion or case conference
- provide advice regarding settlement
- attend with the client at mediation.

FAMILY LAW LEGAL COACHING

With legal coaching, the client is responsible for all the tasks and steps in their legal matter; the lawyer provides advice, feedback and other support to assist the client in completing those tasks and steps. The client drafts documents and represents him/herself entirely, with the assistance of a legal coach "in the wings" who advises, educates and empowers the client along the way.

WHAT CAN THE FLLSS PROJECT DO FOR YOU?

Ontarians can go to the project website at www.FamilyLawLSS.ca to access a roster of trained family law lawyers who are willing to provide unbundled legal services in family law matters.

FamilyLawLSS.ca also provides easy-to-understand, step-by-step information on limited scope services and legal coaching in family law matters. The website is designed to:

- Help you decide if limited scope services may be an option for you
- Provide practical tools such as checklists, flowcharts and a guide on how to find and hire a lawyer who will provide limited scope services
- Provide resources and referral information for family law services in Ontario.