

**VOLUNTEER LAWYERS PROGRAM:
INFORMATION ABOUT INDIVIDUAL OFFICES
(including Contact Persons)**

I. LEGAL SERVICES OF ALABAMA, INC.

There are thirteen individual offices of Legal Services of Alabama, Inc. Information about each is listed below.

A. LEGAL SERVICES: MONTGOMERY REGIONAL OFFICE - Montgomery, Autauga, Elmore, Chilton, Macon, Bullock & Lowndes Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take I-59 towards Birmingham. Exit on I-65 South to Montgomery. After you cross the Alabama River, take your first exit (#172) and get off on Clay Street. Turn left on Clay and cross over I-65. Continue on Clay St. for a couple of blocks—Clay St. will merge into Bibb St. as the road goes down a small hill. Continue on Bibb St. for approximately 2 more blocks and turn right onto Lee St. (The Montgomery Civil Center will be on your left—check it out—it's where the Bar is given each year.) Take Lee Street for one block and turn right on Montgomery Street. Legal Services is on the 6th floor of the Bell Building—a 12-story office building on the corner of Lee St. and Montgomery St.

Parking: Parking may be scarce in downtown Montgomery. There is a limited amount of free parking about two blocks away and Legal Services may be able to arrange for you to park there (no promises though!).

Lunch: There is a small restaurant in the lobby of the Bell Building and several others within walking distance, including delis, Thai and Chinese restaurants. The office has a small refrigerator and microwave if you would rather bring your lunch.

Intake Days: Intake by phone Monday thru Friday, 9am - 2pm;
Intake by appointment Tuesday and Thursday, 9am - 4:30pm.

Other: Examples of past student projects in the Montgomery Office include a study and analysis of the claims filed by creditors in bankruptcy cases over a certain time frame, a review of the pattern of collection suits filed by a particularly litigious creditor in Montgomery County, and providing assistance with writing a brief to the Court of Appeals.

Contact Information:

600 Bell Building
207 Montgomery Street
Montgomery, AL 36104
P.O. Box 1271
Montgomery, AL 36102-1271

Phone: (334) 832-4570

Fax No.: (334) 241-8683

Law Student Coordinator: James Opp Smith, Managing Attorney
Email address: osmith@compumise.com

B. LEGAL SERVICES: OPELIKA SATELLITE OFFICE - Lee, Chambers, Russell & Tallapoosa Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take I-59 towards Birmingham. Take I-459 North towards Atlanta. Exit on 280 (#19) and turn right off the exit ramp. After about 100 miles, turn left on to US 29/Ala. 14. Legal Services is located in a brick building in the back of the Army/Navy Recruiting Office.

Parking: Free parking around the building.

Lunch: There is a Burger King next door to the office. Additionally, students are welcome to use the office refrigerator and microwave.

Intake Days: Monday thru Thursday, 9am - 12pm

Other: The Opelika office would prefer that you send a letter to them to set up a time to volunteer.

Contact Information:

P.O. Box 591
403 2nd Avenue
Suite 400
Opelika, AL 36803

Phone: (334) 749-5011
Fax No.: (334) 749-5075

Law Student Coordinator: H. Scott Patrick, Senior Staff Attorney
Email address: lscaopelika@mindspring.com

C. LEGAL SERVICES: MOBILE REGIONAL OFFICE - Mobile and Baldwin Counties

Directions: Exit from I-65 South at the Dauphin Street exit. At the end of the exit ramp, turn left (East). Continue on Dauphin Street until you reach downtown Mobile. The office is located at 103 Dauphin St., at the corner of Dauphin and Royal Streets. (If you go three more blocks, you will drive into the Mobile River.) The office is in the Van Antwerp Building, an 11-story, turn-of-the-Century building.

Parking: There is parking in a nearby garage, on street metered and non-metered parking, and street level parking lots. The office will pay the parking fee for student volunteers.

Lunch: There are numerous restaurants nearby. If you bring your lunch, there is a large refrigerator and a microwave at your disposal.

Intake Days: Monday thru Friday, 8am - 5pm

Other: Please contact Marie Daniels, the Managing Attorney, if you wish to volunteer in Mobile by phone, e-mail, or letter. Give plenty of advance notice so that your time spent at the office will be interesting and productive.

Contact Information:

103 Dauphin Street
Suite 601
Mobile, AL 36602-3296

Phone: (251) 433-6560
Fax No.: (251) 434-2488

Law Student Coordinator: G. Marie Daniels, Managing Attorney
Email address: mdlsca@bellsouth.net

D. LEGAL SERVICES: MONROEVILLE SATELLITE OFFICE - Monroe, Escambia, Washington, Clarke & Conecuh Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take Highway 43 South to Grove Hill. Then take 84 East to Highway 47. Stay on 47 until you reach the downtown square. Go around two sides of the square and then take a right turn. The office is on the left, half a block down the street, next to the Monroe County Library.

Parking: Free parking available in front of and next to the office building.

Lunch: Everything in Monroeville is pretty close to the office. They also have a refrigerator, microwave, and coffeemaker that students are welcome to use.

Intake Days: Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm

Other: Please contact Ms. Oakley by letter or telephone if you wish to volunteer. The office is often short-handed in December so volunteers would be especially welcome then. Most of the Monroeville clients are women, and a majority are African American.

Contact Information:

*107 Pineville Road
Monroeville, AL 36460

Phone: (251) 743-3234
Fax No.: (251) 575-7556

*mailing address:
P.O. Box 629
Monroeville, AL 36461

Law Student Coordinator: Mary Jane Oakley, Senior Staff Attorney
Email address: lscamonr@frontiernet.net

E. LEGAL SERVICES: SELMA REGIONAL OFFICE - Dallas, Wilcox, Perry, Marengo, Choctaw, Sumter and Southern Hale Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take US 82 East from Tuscaloosa. After about 25 miles, take the Hwy 5/Brent Bypass exit. Head South on Hwy 5. Turn left onto US 82. Take the Hwy. 22 ramp. Turn right onto Hwy. 22.

Parking: Free parking.

Lunch: Several places to eat nearby and students are free to use the office refrigerator and microwave.

Intake Days: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday by telephone

Contact Information:

1114 Church Street
P.O. Box 954
Selma, AL 36702

Phone: (334) 875-3770
Fax No.: (334) 875-3773

Law Student Coordinator: Carolyn Gaines-Varner, Managing Attorney

F. LEGAL SERVICES: DOTHAN REGIONAL OFFICE - Houston, Henry, Covington, Geneva, Dale, Coffee, Barbour, Butler, Pike & Crenshaw Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take Old Montgomery Hwy/82E. After about 25 miles, take the Hwy. 5/Brent Bypass ramp. Take Hwy. 5 South. Turn left on to 82 and continue for approximately 90 miles. Stay straight onto 231 South for 84 miles. Turn left onto Hwy. 84.

Parking: Free parking.

Lunch: The office has a refrigerator and microwave that students may use. There are restaurants nearby and they will be happy to point you in the right direction.

Intake Days: Intake by phone Monday thru Thursday, 8am - 12pm

Contact Information:

1211 West Main Street
Dothan, AL 36301

Phone: (334) 793-7932
Fax No.: (334) 793-2882

Law Student Coordinator: Ishmael Jaffree, Managing Attorney

G. LEGAL SERVICES: GADSDEN REGIONAL OFFICE - Etowah, Marshall, Blount, DeKald & Cherokee Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take I-59 North to the 3rd Gadsden exit. Exit to your right down the ramp in the right hand land, through the traffic light at the bottom of the ramp and on to the next traffic light. Turn right onto 431 South and travel until you come to the traffic light at 9th Street. Turn right onto 9th St. and go three blocks to a dead end into Chestnut St. Turn left on to Chestnut and go to the end of the block (traffic light at Chestnut and 8th). The office is located to the right at that traffic light—it is a 2-story cream-colored building.

Parking: There is free parking in the rear of the building.

Lunch: There are numerous lunch places and the office has a refrigerator, microwave, and a full-functioning kitchen that students may use.

Intake Days: Monday thru Thursday, intake by appointment only.

Other: The Gadsden office would prefer that you call to set up a volunteer time. The toll-free number is 1-888-288-5434.

Contact Information:

802 Chesnut Street
Gadsden, AL 35901

Phone: (256) 543-2435
Fax No.: (256) 543-2438

Law Student Coordinator: Gary S. Smallwood, Managing Attorney
Email address: lscag@mindspring.com

H. LEGAL SERVICES: ANNISTON SATELLITE OFFICE - Calhoun, Randolph, St. Clair, Clay, Coosa, Talladega & Cleburne Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take I-59 towards Birmingham. Take I-459 N towards Atlanta. Take I-20 towards B'ham/Atlanta. Keep right at the fork in the ramp and head East on I-20. Take exit 185 towards Oxford/Anniston—this is Hwy. 21. Turn left onto 21 North. Turn left onto Hwy. 202 West. Turn right on to Noble Street.

Parking: Free parking in the bank building parking lot.

Lunch: Refrigerator and microwave that students may use. They will also be happy to point you in the right direction if you wish to eat out at a restaurant.

Intake Days: Intake by phone Monday thru Friday, 8am - 5pm

Other: The Anniston office would prefer to be contacted in writing.

Contact Information:

931 Noble Street
Suite 502
Anniston, AL 36201

Phone: (256) 237-3615
Fax No.: (256) 237-3660

Law Student Coordinator: Gary Smallwood, Managing Attorney

I. LEGAL SERVICES: FLORENCE REGIONAL OFFICE - Lauderdale, Lawrence, Marion, Winston, Colbert & Franklin Counties

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take Hwy. 43 North from Northport. This will become 43N/72E and then becomes Mitchell Blvd. Continue on this road for about 2 miles and it will merge into South Court Street.

Parking: Free parking.

Lunch: Students are free to use the office refrigerator and microwave. They will also point you in the right direction if you want to eat lunch out.

Intake Days: Tuesday and Wednesday, 9am - 5:00pm

Other: Please contact the Florence office via email if you wish to volunteer. This office prefers volunteers be in the office on (1) intake day and on Thursday mornings for staff meetings.

Contact Information:

412 South Court Street
Room 201
P.O. Box 753
Florence, AL 35631

Phone: (256) 767-2020

Fax No.: (256) 767-2212

Law Student Coordinator: Floyd Sherrod, Managing Attorney
Email address: fsherrod@bellsouth.net

J. LEGAL SERVICES: TUSCALOOSA REGIONAL OFFICE - Bibb, Fayette, Greene, Northern Hale, Lamar, Pickens, Tuscaloosa & Walker Counties

Directions: On 9th Street, downtown Tuscaloosa.

Parking: Free parking.

Intake Days: Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 - 4 pm.

Other: This office prefers students who can work consistent hours.

Contact Information:

2315 9th Street
Suite 3A
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Phone: (205) 758-7503

Fax No.: (205) 758-6041

Law Student Coordinator: Willie Mays Jones, Managing Attorney
Email address: lscatus@yahoo.com

K. LEGAL SERVICES OF METRO BIRMINGHAM, INC.

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take I-59 into Birmingham. Exit on 17th Street (#125A). Turn right on 17th Street. Turn left on 7th Ave. Legal Services will be on your left .

Parking: Students may park in the deck located on 19th Street and 8th Avenue. Legal Services will validate your parking ticket UPON REQUEST. Additionally, there are parking meters scattered around the area that you can use.

Lunch: The office has a refrigerator and microwave that students may use. There are a couple of nearby restaurants where you can eat lunch for around \$6.00.

Intake Days: Monday thru Wednesday, 8am - 5pm; Thursday, 8am - 12pm

Other: The Birmingham office would prefer that interested students first send a letter and then follow-up with an email or phone call. Include your contact information in your

letter, as well as the dates that you would like to volunteer.

Contact Information:

P. O. Box 11765
Birmingham, AL 35202
1820 Seventh Avenue, North
Birmingham, AL 35203

Phone: (205) 328-3540
Fax No.: (205) 328-3548

Law Student Coordinator: Ken Lay, Managing Attorney

L. LEGAL SERVICES: HUNTSVILLE OFFICE

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take I-59 towards Birmingham. Then take I-65 towards Huntsville onto I-565. Exit on South Memorial Parkway. Take 1st Exit to Clinton Ave. Turn left on Clinton and then left on to Seminole Drive. Take a left onto Vernon.

Parking: Free parking nearby.

Lunch: There are restaurants near the office and you can use the office microwave and refrigerator.

Intake Days: Monday and Tuesday, 8am - 12pm

Other: If you wish to volunteer, please send a letter, your resume, and references.

Contact Information:

*2000-C Vernon Street
Huntsville, AL 35805

Phone: (256) 536-9645
Fax No.: (256) 536-1544

*mailing address:
P.O. Box 2465
Huntsville, AL 35804

Law Student Coordinator: Tom Keith
Email address: tkeith00@lsnca.org

M. LEGAL SERVICES: DECATUR BRANCH OFFICE

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take I-59 North towards Birmingham. Then take I-65 North towards Huntsville. Take exit 334 towards Decatur. Keep left at the fork in the ramp and turn left onto Hwy. 67 North. Turn right onto US 31. After 3.5 miles, turn left onto US 72 Alt./Hwy. 20. The office is downtown off of Bank St. in a brick building.

Parking: Free parking.

Lunch: There are places to eat nearby on Bank Street and you can use the office microwave and refrigerator.

Intake Days: Monday, 8:30am - 4:30pm; by appointment only Tuesday thru Friday, 10am - 3:30pm

Contact Information:

17 Vine Street, NW
P.O. Box 990
Decatur, AL 35602

Phone: (256) 350-3551
Fax No.: (256) 350-6722

Law Student Coordinator: Nelson Simmons, Managing Attorney

II. LEGAL AID OF BIRMINGHAM (BESSEMER)

Directions from Tuscaloosa: Take Interstate 20/59 to the 18th, 19th Street Exit (just past Academy Drive). Take a right onto 18th Street. Go 9 blocks. The courthouse is on your left between 2nd and 1st Avenues.

Parking: Truthfully, the “parking stinks” around the Bessemer Courthouse, according to courthouse veterans. Best bet is to park on the street. This will be limited to two hours. The only other option is the parking area between 15th and 16th Streets and 1st and 2nd Avenues. Be careful if you park there.

Lunch: The following are within walking distance: Bright Star (\$7-8); Mr. Hot Dog (\$3); Tippiie’s Deli (\$3-7).

Contact Information:

Ronald Williams
Phone: (205) 481-4271

Student who has performed VLP hours at this office (i.e., good resource): Will Avant

III. ELDER LAW CLINIC, UA SCHOOL OF LAW

Parking: There is a large parking directly in front of the Clinic.

Lunch: There are several nearby restaurants downtown, on 15th Street and on the Strip.

Intake Days: The clinic is open Monday through Friday. Law student volunteers are not allowed to do intake unless they have taken the Elder Law clinical course.

Contact Information:

Hugh Lee
Phone: (205) 348-7896

IV. ADAP LAW CLINIC, UA SCHOOL OF LAW

Directions: From the Law School, travel left onto Paul Bryant Drive, approx. 1 mile. The Clinic is housed in Martha Parham Hall West, which is directly across the street from The Corner Store. Look for the black iron fence.

Parking: There is a large parking lot surrounded by a black iron fence.

Lunch: There are several nearby restaurants downtown, on 15th Street and on the Strip.

Contact Information:

James Tucker
Phone: (205) 348-6915