Representing Yourself in Court?

Are you handling your case without a lawyer? If so, you should know about court procedures and available resources. Review the information below to learn more.



Find Out Which Forms You'll Need

For the court to process your case, you must fill out and file the right forms. Often more than one form will be needed.





Review Legal Definitions

Some words that are used in the courts may not be familiar to everyone. Review these terms so that you will be better able to understand court procedures and take part in your case.





Read the Frequently Asked Questions

Have a question? The frequently asked questions page can help you find the answers.





Watch a Hearing or Trial

A good way to learn about court procedures is to visit a court and watch a hearing or trial. Call the court clerk's office in any location to find out the court schedules.





Talk With a Court Clerk

Once you have determined which court to go to, talk with the clerk about important deadlines and procedures. These include rules about forms and paying court fees.





