Cambridge Commission on Immigrant Rights & Citizenship (CIRC)

Referral Resources for Immigration Legal Issues

Non-citizens seeking legal assistance for Immigration related issues should first contact one of the following clinics, for an assessment screening. Following the screening, the clinic staff will refer the person to an appropriate agency for services meeting their need. Appropriate low-cost or no-cost immigration legal service referral resources will be provided for low-income persons, and a referral list of experienced private immigration attorneys will be provided to persons who do not qualify for the low-cost or no-cost agency services. Please contact the screening agencies to find out if you need to schedule an appointment.

Screening Clinics:

Rian Immigrant Center (Formerly Irish International Immigrant Center)  
One State Street, Suite 800  
Boston, MA 02109  
(617) 542-7654  
http://www.riancenter.org

Catholic Charities Refugee & Immigrant Services  
275 West Broadway  
South Boston, MA 02127  
(617) 464-8100  
http://www.ccab.org/

Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Advancement  
CIRC/De Novo Immigrant Legal Screening Clinic  
Boston City Hall  
1 City Hall Square, Rm. 806  
Boston, MA 02201  
(617) 635-2980  
https://www.boston.gov/departments/immigrant-advancement

Volunteer lawyers are available the first and third Wednesdays of every month from 12:00 – 2 p.m. Following a screening assessment, referral resources will be provided.

Legal Services for Immigrants

The following non-profit agencies may provide immigration legal services to qualifying persons, following a screening assessment at one of the agencies noted above.

De Novo Center For Justice & Healing  
47 Thorndike Street, Suite SB-LL-1  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 661-1010

East Boston Ecumenical Community Council  
50 Meridian Street, Suite B-1  
East Boston, MA 02128  
(617) 567-2750

Greater Boston Legal Services  
197 Friend Street  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617) 371-1234

Centro Presente  
12 Bennington Street, Suite 202  
East Boston, MA 02128  
(857) 256-2981

MetroWest Legal Services  
Fountain Street, Suite 304  
Framingham, MA 01702  
(508) 620-1830 ext. 234

Political Asylum/Immigrant Representation Project (PAIR)  
254 Friend Street  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617) 742-9296

For persons who do not qualify for low cost/no cost legal services, Immigration Attorneys can be found through:

American Immigration Lawyers Assn. – New England’s (AILA-NE) Immigration Lawyer Resource service at www.ailalawyer.com

MassLegalHelp/Immigration  
https://www.masslegalhelp.org/immigration
Due to the COVID19 emergency the Rian Immigrant Center office is closed. We are unable to hold legal clinics at this time. Instead our attorneys are providing free phone consultations.

**What should you do if you need a consultation**
Call 617-542-7654, if your call is not answered please leave a message, we will call you back.

**What we will do**
We will schedule you an appointment to speak with an attorney over the phone. Depending on call volume you should receive an appointment within 1-14 days.

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Debido a la emergencia causada por COVID-19, el Centro Inmigrante Rían está cerrado. No podemos tener clínicas legales en este momento. En su lugar, nuestros abogados están ofreciendo consultas telefónicas gratuitas.

**¿Qué debe hacer si necesita una consulta?**
Por favor llame al 617-542-7654. Si nadie le responde su llamada, por favor deje un mensaje y le vamos a devolver la llamada.

**¿Qué es lo que haremos?**
Le programamos una cita para hablar con un abogado por cita telefónica. Dependiendo del volumen de nuestras llamadas, usted debería recibir su cita en entre 1-14 días.