

# What if... I want to talk to a lawyer?

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Call **Disaster Legal Services** at **1-877-691-6185** for **free** legal services, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please leave a voicemail message if prompted and an attorney will return your call.

**Free** legal aid to residents of Jackson and Jasper counties affected by the June tornadoes who have insufficient funds to hire an attorney.

## Ask Questions About

- Contractors and home repair contracts.
- Insurance claims and policy holder rights.
- FEMA decisions and the right to appeal (see page 2 for more information on appeals).
- Landlords and tenant rights.
- Mortgages and threats of foreclosure.
- Proving home ownership.
- Wills and powers of attorney.
- Replacing or redoing legal documents lost or damaged.
- Possible scams and identity theft.

## When You Call

- You will hear a generic prompt to leave a message.
- Leave your name and phone number, at minimum.
- In addition to your contact information...
  - State the storm-related legal problem you need help solving.
  - State the city and county of your storm-damaged property.

## Your Privacy

The volunteer attorneys are not FEMA employees. Any information you share with these attorneys is kept confidential. They do not share information with FEMA.



## Disaster Legal Services

The program is a partnership between FEMA, the American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division, and other legal associations. Partners cannot help in all cases. For example, they cannot take cases where a settlement could include legal fees or an award. But they can refer such cases to other legal help.



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