

# **Personal Legal Services Program**

# A membership benefit of the Oklahoma Education Association

The Oklahoma Education Association provides personal legal services to all active OEA members, their spouses, and dependent children as a benefit of membership. For more information on the Personal Legal Services Program, go to www.okea.org, or call Jaquita Farley at (405) 523-4340 or (800) 522-8091.

## **Planning**

Consultation and preparation at **no cost** to member of:

- A simple will or a simple amendment to an existing will
- A "living will"
- Simple power of attorney
- An authorization to consent to medical treatment
- An authorization to transport a child outside of the United States
- Prenuptial agreement

## **Financial**

The following services are offered at **no cost**:

- Consultation and assistance, not involving litigation, concerning disputes with creditors
- Services for child support enforcement litigation (in-state litigation only) including initial filing costs.

#### Family Matters (Domestic Relations)

If uncontested, initial filing costs and services in Oklahoma District Courts for:

- Adoption (stepparent only)
- Paternity
- Divorce/annulment/separation
- Modification of domestic relation order
- Juvenile court proceedings
- Name change

#### **Defense**

Misdemeanor criminal charges in Oklahoma State or City Courts at **no cost** for offenses which involve potential incarceration upon conviction. An initial five hours of attorneys' services will be provided. Thereafter, a discounted rate will be available to the member in the following:

- Felony charges in Oklahoma state courts
- Misdemeanor or felony charges in federal courts in Oklahoma
- Defense of civil suits in state or federal courts in Oklahoma

#### **Advocacy**

Matters in which the member, spouse, or dependent would be the plaintiff in a civil suit in Oklahoma Federal or State courts, such as:

- Personal Injury
- Property damage
- Recovery of property of wrongly held by another
- Defamation (libel or slander)
- Assault, battery or trespass
- Intentional infliction of mental distress
- Victim protection orders
- Wrongful death
- Nursing home neglect
- Identity theft

#### **Additional Information**

- If any of those matters listed above are contested in Oklahoma Court filing costs and first five hours of representation will be funded. Thereafter, a discounted rate will be available to the member.
- Initial consultation and advice may be funded. Further representation may be available at a reduced rate.
- Funding for services in the Planning, Financial, Family Matters, Defense and Advocacy categories will be available not more than once each year per family from September 1 through August 31.
- Bankruptcy and guardianship are covered at a reduced rate under the OEA/NEA Attorney Referral Program. Trusts are not covered under the program.