

# LAMBETH ADVICE CENTRES

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**Lambeth Law Centre incorporating the Race Discrimination Unit**

Unit 4, The Coop Centre, 11 Mowll Street, SW9 6BG      020 7840 2001      or      020 7840 2000

And the London Discrimination Unit      020 7840 2000      [bjobe@lambethlawcentre.org](mailto:bjobe@lambethlawcentre.org)

**Waterloo Action Centre**

14 Bayliss Road, SE1 7AA      020 7261 1404

**Clapham Community Project**

St. Anne's Hall, Venn Street, SW4 0BN      020 7627 0240

**Brixton Advice Centre**

167 Railton Road, SE24 0UL      020 7733 7554      [www.brixtonadvice.org.uk](http://www.brixtonadvice.org.uk)

**Streatham Citizens Advice Bureau**

Ilex House, 1 Barrhill Road, SW2 4RJ      020 8674 8993      [advice@mertoncab.org.uk](mailto:advice@mertoncab.org.uk)

## OTHER SOURCES OF HELP

### FINDING A SPECIALIST SOLICITOR / ADVISER

It is important to find a solicitor / adviser who specialises in the area of law in which you need help. We would strongly recommend that if you can't find specialist help locally, it is worth travelling a bit further.

You should try to go to a solicitor / adviser which has a Specialist Quality Mark. This means it has been approved by the Legal Services Commission, in that specific type of work. You can get information on specialist solicitors / advisers and their Quality Mark, where they are located, languages spoken or availability of interpreters and accessibility of their premises from **Community Legal Advice (tel 0845 345 4345 or [www.communitylegaladvice.org.uk](http://www.communitylegaladvice.org.uk) )**. To request a call back from the Community Legal Advice helpline simply **text 'legalaid' and your name to 80010** and they should call you back within 24 hours. We can give access to the website (which can be viewed in private if required).

There are accredited specialists in some areas of law, eg personal injury, clinical negligence etc. Go to the Law Society website [www.lawsociety.org.uk/choosingandusing/findasolicitor.law](http://www.lawsociety.org.uk/choosingandusing/findasolicitor.law)

### ELIGIBILITY FOR LEGAL HELP – THIS IS A SUMMARY ONLY

Most people who are receiving Income support or JSA (means assessed), are eligible for initial free legal help from solicitors / advisers. In addition, people on a very low income, ignoring certain benefits and making an allowance for housing costs, childcare and employment expenses, may be eligible. If you need full legal aid to take court proceedings, there is a different (slightly more generous) eligibility test. If you have savings this may affect eligibility. You can go to the **Community Legal Advice website** which has an online eligibility calculator.