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2026 Probate and Estate Planning

LEGAL NETWORK

DIRECTORY

A probate & estate planning resource connecting
Alachua County residents with local attorneys

ABOUT THIS DIRECTORY

This directory was created to connect Alachua County residents with local attorneys who can help them through the heirs' property, probate, or estate planning process.

Inclusion in this directory does not constitute an endorsement by the Alachua County Property Appraiser's Office.

Listings are provided for informational purposes only.

This directory was intended to support:



HOMEOWNERS
seeking clear title



FAMILIES
navigating probate



RESIDENTS
planning for the future

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HOW TO APPLY: 2-STEP PROCESS

1

Eligibility Review & Verification

Begin by completing the Eligibility Review & Verification application at:



legalnetwork.acpafl.org/apply/

During Step 1, you will be asked to provide information and supporting documentation related to your:

- Alachua County residency
- Household income and household size

After submitting Step 1:

You will receive an email confirming that your application was received.

Our office will review your application to determine whether you meet the eligibility requirements for the Legal Network.

2

Case Intake & Attorney Selection

If you meet the residency and income criteria, you will receive an email with instructions to complete **Step 2: Case Intake & Attorney Selection**.

During Step 2, you will:

- Provide information about your property and legal needs
- Identify the type of legal assistance you are seeking.
- Select a participating attorney whose services may fit your needs.

After submitting Step 2:

Your selected attorney will receive your case information for review.

Selecting an attorney does not mean that the attorney has accepted your case. The attorney will review your information and determine whether they are able to accept your case. If the attorney accepts your case, they will contact you directly regarding representation and next steps.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Individuals seeking legal assistance through the Probate & Estate Planning Legal Network must meet certain eligibility requirements before applying.

Eligibility is based on:

-  Alachua County residency
-  Gross household income
-  Attendance at a qualifying Probate & Estate Planning Workshop

Supporting Documentation

Gross household income and Alachua County residency will be verified through supporting documentation.

See acceptable documentation on next page.

Workshop Attendance Requirement

Attendance at a qualifying Probate & Estate Planning Workshop is **required** before applying to the Legal Network.



If you have already attended a qualifying workshop:

You do not need to attend another workshop and may proceed with the Legal Network application.



If you have not attended a qualifying workshop:

You will need to attend a workshop before applying to the Legal Network. Please contact the Alachua County Property Appraiser's Office to learn more about upcoming Probate & Estate Planning Workshop opportunities.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Acceptable supporting documentation includes:

For proof of residency (at least one):

- Florida driver license or Florida identification card
- Proof of payment of a utility bill
- Lease agreement
- Mortgage statement
- Voter registration card
- Vehicle registration
- Bank statement
- Federal tax return
- Insurance document showing your current residential address
- Other documentation showing your current Alachua County residential address

For household income (all that apply):

- Most recent federal income tax return
- W-2 form(s)
- 1099 form(s)
- Recent pay stub(s)
- Social Security benefit statement
- Pension or retirement benefit statement
- Veterans' benefits statement
- SSI/SSDI award letter
- Documentation verifying any other source of household income, as applicable

Eligibility for the Legal Network **does not guarantee** that an attorney will accept your case, that you will receive legal representation, or a particular legal outcome.

PROBATE & ESTATE PLANNING IN 3 STEPS

Our office created this 3-step guided process to help Alachua County residents learn the basics of probate & estate planning, prepare their documents, and take the next appropriate legal steps with confidence.

1 LEARN AT THE SUMMIT

LEARN ABOUT:

- How probate works
- Estate planning essentials
- Risks of cloudy title
- Available relief programs
- Key legal and tax considerations

2 GET HELP AT THE WORKSHOP

GET GUIDANCE FOR:

- Completing your family tree
- Gathering important documents
- Understanding what to do before hiring an attorney through a Q&A with local legal services

3 TAKE ACTION WITH LEGAL SERVICES

NEXT STEPS INCLUDE:

- Completing remaining forms and documentation
- Connecting with the legal services of your choosing for low or no cost if eligible
- If not eligible, working with a local probate or estate planning attorney

This resource provides information about Step 3. Eligibility requirements and attorney listings are included to help you through this part of the probate & estate planning process.

ATTORNEY LISTINGS



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PRACTICE AREAS

-  Real Property Disputes
-  Estate Planning
-  Probate & Trust Administration

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor

*University of the Pacific
McGeorge School of Law*



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PRACTICE AREAS

 Probate, Wills, Trusts & Guardianship

 Elder Law

 Estate Planning

 Real Estate Litigation

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor

Mercer University

Walter F. George School of Law



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PRACTICE AREAS

-  Family, Probate & Trust Litigation
-  Estate Planning
-  Public Interest, Tax & Wills

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor

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PRACTICE AREAS

 Trusts, Wills & Estates

 Estate Planning

 Family, Guardian-
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Litigation

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts
in Philosophy
Rollins College

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Florida State University
College of Law

Master of Laws (LL.M.)
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PRACTICE AREAS

-  Wills, Trusts & Estates
-  Estate Planning
-  Guardianship, Probate & Trust Litigation

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor

*Universidad Católica
Santiago de Guayaquil*

Juris Doctor

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Master of Laws (LL.M.)

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PRACTICE AREAS

-  Bankruptcy & Elder Law
-  Estate Planning
-  Wills, Trusts & Estates
-  Mediation

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts

in Justice Studies

American University

Juris Doctor

University of Florida

Levin College of Law

QUESTIONS?

For questions about this directory or for info about upcoming Probate & Estate Planning Workshops, contact **Precious Polycarpe**.



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acpafl.org/community-outreach



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Our Mission

To proudly provide quality services to our community, ensuring the equitable assessment of properties and exemptions, and adhering to tax laws and best practices.

For more information, visit us online at **acpafl.org**.