

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND PRIVACY STATEMENT



I have asked for – and understand that - Gulfcoast Legal Services is considering my request for assistance with my current legal problem.

I understand that Gulfcoast Legal Services is not making a guarantee of services, nor am I entitled to representation.

If Gulfcoast Legal Services agrees to represent me, I will be given a formal retainer agreement to review and sign.

I understand that I will not be charged for time provided by Gulfcoast Legal Services, though I may be responsible for costs related to pursuing remedies in my case (i.e. court filing fees, expert witness costs, court reporter time, etc.).

I understand that funding agencies may request data from Gulfcoast Legal Services for the purposes of evaluating or monitoring the program or services, but **no information that identifies me or the specific facts and legal matters of my case will be released without my permission, in accordance with Florida Statutes Sec. 119.071.**

I understand that all information obtained by Gulfcoast Legal Services will be used to determine my legal needs and to help provide me with comprehensive, high quality legal services. I understand that **my private information will be kept confidential.**

You have the right to access your information. If you have any concerns or questions about your data, please contact us at info@gulfcoastlegal.org.

Any changes to this privacy form will be communicated to you, and your continued use of our services implies your acceptance of the updated policy. By using our services, you agree to the terms outlined in this privacy policy.

Client Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only:

GLS Case ID: _____ Date Assigned: _____ Staff Initials: _____

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