

# Are You in Foster Care?

You may be able to have your own Attorney ad Litem!  
(That's the term for children's lawyer)

## Ask your Judge to Get a Lawyer!

### The Judge MUST Give You a Lawyer if YOU:

Don't Want to  
Take Prescribed  
Psych Meds

Experienced  
Human  
Trafficking

Live in a  
Nursing Home

Are Facing  
Residential  
Treatment

Have a  
Developmental  
Disability



### The Judge CAN Give You a Lawyer for ANY Other REASON



You can Always ask your judge for a lawyer. They aren't required to give you one but you won't know unless you ask!

**You don't have to give the judge a specific reason for why you want one, but it helps.**

- You have medical, dental, or mental health concerns and aren't getting what you need
- You and your sibling disagree about where you should live
- You disagree with what the guardian ad litem thinks is best
- Your aunt & your foster mom both want you to live with them
- You inherited property
- You don't feel like anyone is listening to you

## Or YOU can FIND Your Own Lawyer

**A lawyer can agree to represent you without expecting you to pay**

- Ask friends and adult supporters for help finding a lawyer
- Click here for a list of [legal aid programs](#).
  - Also look for **law school clinics**, & **pro bono projects**.
- Attorneys who work for law firms may also be willing to represent you.