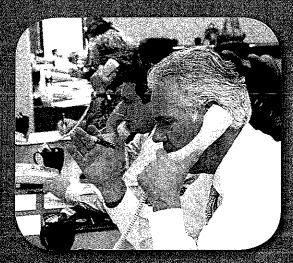
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Massachusetts Bar Association program offers free legal advice to Western Mass. residents by phone, May 25

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Western Massachusetts residents can receive free legal advice on Wednesday, May 25, through the Massachusetts Bar Association's semiannual Western Mass. Dial-A-Lawyer call-in program.

Volunteer lawyers from the MBA will field phone calls from 4 to 7 p.m., from residents of Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden and Hampshire counties who have legal concerns or problems. The legal advice is provided at no charge as a public service of the MBA.

The Dial-A-Lawyer phone number is (413) 782-1659. If a caller gets a busy signal, they are asked to hang up and try again. Normal telephone charges will apply. (EDITORS, PLEASE NOTE: this number is <u>only</u> active from 4 to 7 p.m. on May 25.)

The MBA's Dial-A-Lawyer program is co-sponsored by Western New England University School of Law, *The Republican*, *El Pueblo Latino*, the Massachusetts Association of Hispanic Attorneys and the Hispanic National Bar Association.

"Whether you're experiencing issues at home or at work, legal questions come up all the time. But not everyone knows where to turn for the answers. For 25 years, the Massachusetts Bar Association has made legal assistance more accessible through our regular Dial-A-Lawyer programs," said MBA President Robert W. Harnais. "As the state bar association, we're proud to continue our work with our local members to bring this important service to the communities in Western Massachusetts."

Incorporated in 1911, the Massachusetts Bar Association is a non-profit organization that serves the legal profession and the public by promoting the administration of justice, legal education, professional excellence and respect for the law. The MBA represents a diverse group of attorneys, judges and legal professionals across the commonwealth.