

Start at the AHML website: <http://ahml.info/>

1. Click on the link to **Research**.
2. Click on the link to **Databases**.
3. Under **Database Subjects**, click on **Law**.
4. Click on **Illinois Legal Aid**.
5. Sample Search:  
In the search box, don't type a full sentence, but just a few keywords. For example, instead of writing, "Will my new wife be responsible for the debt I had before we married?" type in "**marriage and debt**." Then type in your zip code so it can search for legal resources/laws in your area.
6. Some topics have an Automated Forms and instructional videos.
7. Go back to the AHML website. This time find the database called **Legal Forms**. This provides examples of legal forms in Illinois for all kinds of situations.
8. You can search, but often it's easiest to go by category. Select **Wills & Estates**. You can download this form in MS Word format, and then edit it to fit your situation.
9. For more in-depth, lawyerese-language, you can research in **Lexis Nexis** or **Westlaw**, also on our databases page.
10. Two free websites that provide resources and information for non-lawyers are [www.findlaw.com](http://www.findlaw.com) and <http://www.avvo.com>
11. We also have print books. Some Examples (see a librarian for more titles):
  - *101 Law Forms For Personal Use*. Call No: INFO DESK/347.55/ONE 2011 ed
  - *Nolo's Essential Guide To Child Custody And Support*. Call No: 346.173/NOLO'S 2012
  - *The Legal Answer Book For Families*. Call No: 346.15/LEGAL 2011
  - *Criminal Law : A Desk Reference*. Call No: 345.5/CRIMINAL 2012 ed
  - *Quicken WillMaker Plus : Estate Planning Essentials*. Call No: 346.54/QUICKEN 2013 ed
  - *Nolo's Guide To Social Security Disability*. Call No: 368.42/NOLO'S 2012 ed
  - *Beat Your Ticket : Go To Court And Win!* Call No: 345.247/BEAT 2010 (6th) ed
  - *Fiancé & Marriage Visas*. Call No: 342.82/FIANCE 2012 (7th) ed

**Additional Resources:**

**Rolling Meadows Courthouse Legal Self-Help Center**

Basement Room 036

2121 Euclid

Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

Phone: 847.818.2287

Fridays 9:30-12:30

Fridays 1:00 Pro Bono lawyers

**Skokie Courthouse Law Library**

5600 W Old Orchard Rd

Skokie, IL

847-470-7298

**Mon-Fri 8:30-4:00**

**Northwest Suburban Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service**

800 East Northwest Highway

Suite 418 Palatine, IL 60074

Phone: 847-221-2601

Free Referral

30 Minute consultation \$25

**IllinoisLawyerFinder.com**

Illinois State Bar Association

424 South Second Street Springfield, IL 62701 |

Phone: 217-525-5297 (LAWS)

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