

Advice on Employment

Are you looking for information or advice on workplace rights including: rights to pay; holidays and parental leave; contracts; discrimination; grievances, dismissal and discipline at work; self-employment; redundancy; rights of young workers and those from overseas?

If you can't find the information you need online, advice centres are places where you can get advice, information and guidance on your legal rights, entitlements and responsibilities. Some of these have drop-in sessions and/or telephone advice lines; others provide specialist legal services, and can only take on cases by referral from other agencies.

All the advice agencies in the Southwark Legal Advice Network (SLAN) listed below have been accredited with the CLS Quality Mark, which means that they meet the quality standards set by the Legal Services Commission.

Generalist Advice Centres in Southwark Offering Generalist Advice on Employment

Blackfriars Advice Centre

Cambridge House, 131 Camberwell Road, London SE5 0HF. Areas of advice: housing, debt, welfare benefits, employment, goods & services. Drop-in session: Mon-Thu: 10am-12pm. Advice line 020 7358 7035: Mon, Tue & Thu 2pm-4pm.

Bermondsey Citizens Advice Bureau

8 Market Place, Southwark Park Road, London SE16 3UQ. General advice on consumer issues, employment, housing, debt, health, education, community care & family. Specialist advice in immigration and welfare benefits. Drop-in service: Tue & Thu 10am - 1pm. Advice Line 0844 499 4134: Mon 1.30pm - 3.30pm, Tues 4.30pm - 6.30pm, Wed 1.30pm - 3.30pm, Thu 11.00am - 1.00pm.

Peckham Citizens Advice Bureau

97 Peckham High Street, London SE15 5RS. General advice on consumer issues, employment, housing, debt, health, education, community care & family. Specialist advice in immigration and welfare benefits. Drop-in service: Mon, Wed & Fri 10am - 1pm. Advice Line 0844 499 4134: Mon 1.30pm - 3.30pm, Tues 4.30pm - 6.30pm, Wed 1.30pm - 3.30pm, Thu 11.00am - 1.00pm.

Multi-Lingual Community Rights Shop

213 Camberwell Road, London SE5 0HG. General advice for people whose first language is not English. Drop-in service: Mon, 10am-12noon (Spanish); Fri: 10am-12noon (Cantonese, Mandarin & Fujianese) Advice line 020 7703 4442: Mon, 10am-11am (Spanish); Tue, 10am-11am (Spanish & Portuguese); Fri, 10am-11am (Spanish), 2pm-3pm (Cantonese, Mandarin & Fujianese).

Southwark Refugee Project

161 Sumner Road, Peckham, London SE15 6JL. General advice and information for refugees and asylum seekers, including housing, employment, welfare benefits, education & training. Drop-in sessions: Mon & Wed, 10am-12 noon & 2pm-4pm.

Legal Advice Agencies in Southwark Offering Specialist Employment Advice

You should use a specialist help provider when you want someone to advise you on a complex legal problem and carry out the full range of legal services, including representation. Legal aid helps people who cannot afford representation, as long as they meet certain conditions. Specialist help providers are typically solicitors and law centres, and can offer the following services:

- offer advice and legal help on complex matters in specific areas of law; and
- represent you in court, where this is permitted.

Anthony Gold Solicitors

Offices at 169 Walworth Road, London SE17 1RW and The Counting House, 53 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QN. Areas of advice: family, housing, clinical negligence, personal injury, employment, wills and probate. Phone 020 7940 4000 to see if we can help you with your case.

Southwark Law Centre

Hanover Park House, 14-16 Hanover Park, Peckham, London SE15 5HG. Areas of advice: employment, welfare rights, housing, immigration and asylum. Opening hours: Mon-Fri, 10am-5.30pm. Tel 020 7732 2031 .

Cambridge House Law Centre

137 Camberwell Road, London SE5 0HF. Areas of advice: housing, employment, welfare rights and community care. Call in or phone 020 7358 7025 to arrange an appointment: Mon-Fri, 10am-1pm & 2pm-5pm.