Since 1983, the AIDS

Legal Referral Panel (ALRP)

of the San Francisco Bay Area

has handled over 50,000 legal

matters for people living

with HIV/AIDS.



Our panel of over 700 ALRP

volunteer attorneys is ready to

provide comprehensive legal

services to help you resolve

your legal problems.



ALRP also assists people with HIV/AIDS in other areas of law, including:

- Wills & Powers Of Attorney
- Landlord-Tenant Law
- Bankruptcy & Credit
- Government Benefits
- Employment
- Privacy/Confidentiality
- Family Law
- Insurance

# Attorneys Helping You

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# IMMIGRANT HIV/AIDS ASSISTANCE PROJECT

For Bay Area Residents Living with HIV/AIDS



IHAP stands for the Immigrant HIV/AIDS Assistance Project. Simply put, IHAP is designed to assist people living with HIV/AIDS who have legal issues related to their immigration status. Issues may involve the following:

- Adjustment of Status enables immigrants to change their status from being an asylee to being a legal permanent resident ("Green Card" holder).
- Naturalization the process by which a lawful permanent resident becomes a citizen of the United States.
- Political Asylum may be granted to an HIV+ person who is physically present in the United States and has a well-founded fear of persecution in his/her home country on account of their race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group (i.e. HIV+, sexual orientation) and/or political opinion.

The Immigrant HIV/AIDS
Assistance Project (IHAP) is
one of the few programs of
its kind that assists those living
with HIV/AIDS with their
immigration-relatedlegalissues.

### **Legal Representation**

IHAP's full-time Attorney conducts a comprehensive consultation with each client to evaluate and address the client's immigration needs. If more in-depth legal representation is required, the IHAP Attorney will meet with the client to further discuss how the client may be best served.

Depending upon the complexity of the legal issue, referral to an ALRP Panel Attorney may be provided. The IHAP Attorney's services are all free of charge. An ALRP Panel Attorney may charge a fee, depending on the nature of the case and the income of the client.



To be eligible for services, a client must be diagnosed with HIV/AIDS and reside in one of the seven Bay Area counties that ALRP serves: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano, and Sonoma.

### What If You Need An Attorney?

Please contact the IHAP Attorney, Mon - Fri - 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at (415) 701-1200, extension 313.

### Client and Staff Education

The IHAP Attorney conducts educational presentations for clients on specific immigration law issues. The IHAP Attorney is also available to conduct inservice presentations for staff at other agencies and organizations so that they can appropriately refer their clients. Please contact the IHAP Attorney if your organization is interested in scheduling a presentation for your staff and/or clients.

ALRP provides legal services for people with HIV/AIDS in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Our mission is to help people with HIV/AIDS maintain or improve their health by resolving their legal issues.

## **ALRP Language Access Policy**

Any and all interpretation and translation services you might require are provided by ALRP free of charge.

IHAP's Immigration Attorney is bilingual (English/Spanish) and bicultural.