



## **CUBE Consultation Center Referral List**

### **LEGAL ASSISTANCE**

- **Brooklyn Bar Association Lawyers Referral Service** The Brooklyn Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service is Brooklyn's oldest and largest attorney referral service, and is the only referral service in Brooklyn that has been certified by the American Bar Association. A business owner can choose from various areas of law and be connected with a lawyer that can fit their needs.  
<https://www.brooklynbar.org/lrs/>
- **Brooklyn Law Incubator & Policy ("BLIP") Clinic** functions as a modern, technology-oriented law firm. Since its inception in 2008, BLIP has been training a new generation of lawyers who are well-versed across the spectrum of skills needed to represent emerging tech, Internet, communications, and new media companies. <http://www.blipclinic.org>
- **Brooklyn Law School Community Development Clinic** represents community organizations that wish to help shape the future of Brooklyn's changing neighborhoods. Assistance with nonprofit formation, tax exemption, leases, land use, and worker cooperative formation and operations.  
<http://www.brooklaw.edu/academics/clinicalprogram/overview.aspx>
- **Brooklyn Law School Corporate Real Estate (affordable housing) Clinic** This transactional clinic offers students the unique experience of representing low-income cooperative boards of directors as "house counsel". Buildings range in size from six units to fifty units and are located in Brooklyn, the Bronx and Manhattan. A few client matters also involve not-for-profit corporations and initial cooperative conversions, and worker cooperative/ small business formations.  
<http://www.brooklaw.edu/academics/clinicalprogram/overview.aspx>
- **Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation A** provides high-quality legal assistance to low-income individuals and community groups in Brooklyn. This organization offers legal services to effective local grassroots organizations that have a demonstrated commitment to social and economic justice.  
<http://www.bka.org>
- **City Bar Justice Center Neighborhood Entrepreneur Law Project (NELP)** provides legal assistance through two monthly small business clinics in Brooklyn, and other boroughs.  
<http://www2.nycbar.org/citybarjusticecenter/projects/economic-justice/neighborhood-entrepreneur-law-project>
- **Lawhelp.org** a valuable resource for small business owners to get legal information for free. Lawhelp.org provides excellent articles that clearly explain common problems that face small business owners. <http://www.lawhelpny.org/issues/community-development/microenterprise-low-income-small-businesses?channel=know-your-rights&category=&location=11201>
- **Lawyers Alliance for New York** provides business and transactional legal services for nonprofit organizations that are improving the quality of life in New York City neighborhoods. This organization helps nonprofits develop affordable housing, stimulate economic development, promote community arts,

strengthen urban health, and operate and advocate for vital programs for children and young people, the elderly, and other low-income New Yorkers. <http://www.lawyersalliance.org>

- **Legal Aid Society Harlem Community Law Office**- a private, not-for-profit legal services organization. The Harlem Community Law Office provides legal representation to nonprofits and small businesses <http://www.legal-aid.org/en/las/findus/locations/manhattan/harlemcommunitylawoffices.aspx>
- **New York Lawyers for Public Interest**- NYLPI is a resource for low income, community-driven legal representation that focuses on four main project areas: maintaining a network of law firms and corporate legal departments willing to volunteer their time to address the legal needs of New York's underrepresented communities, a disability justice program, health justice, and environmental justice. <http://www.nylpi.org>
- **Small Business Legal Academy** Registration information for a free consulting day for New York's small business community hosted by Brooklyn Law School on **November 19, 2014**. <http://www.probono.net/sbla/>
- **Start Small Think Big**- helps small businesses with legal problems that typically arise while starting a business, <http://startsmallthinkbig.org/news-and-resources/>
- **Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts**- provides arts related legal aid and educational programs about the legal and business issues that affect artist and arts organizations <http://www.vlany.org>
- **Volunteers of Legal Services**- leverages good will, resources, and talents of New York City's leading law firms to provide pro bono legal assistance to the city's neediest residents. VOLS' staff and volunteer attorneys help all kinds of New Yorkers solve difficult legal problems that have significant consequences for them and for their families. <http://www.volsprobono.org>
- **Urban Justice Center, Community Development Project** – represents worker cooperatives, nonprofit organizations, and community groups in transactional legal assistance matters, with a focus on land use, as well as supporting grassroots, community based campaigns. <http://cdp.urbanjustice.org/>

## **BUSINESS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

- **Cost of Entity Formation**- link to a description of how to form an LLC in New York. <http://www.dos.ny.gov/corps/lcguide.html>
- **NYC Domain Registration**- new promotion in New York that allows New York City business owners to register their website with a .nyc domain name for increased visibility on search engines. <http://www.ownit.nyc>
- **Start-Up NY**- START-UP NY helps you start, expand or relocate your qualified business to a tax-free zone in New York State [http://startup.ny.gov/?utm\\_source=Google&utm\\_medium=CPC&utm\\_campaign=StartUpNY](http://startup.ny.gov/?utm_source=Google&utm_medium=CPC&utm_campaign=StartUpNY)