



# HELP FOR SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS IN ERIE COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT

1. **FORMS** – Surrogate's Court Forms Online visit (This Site Has User Friendly Do It Yourself (DIY) Forms): [www.nycourts.gov/courthelp/](http://www.nycourts.gov/courthelp/)

Forms are also available at the Surrogate's Court Main Office, located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor (Room 210) of Erie County Hall, 92 Franklin St., Buffalo, NY 14202.

2. **FILING** - To File Surrogate's Court Matters:

Send the forms or documents by U.S. Mail to Erie County Surrogate's Court, 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York 14202 OR

File the forms or documents using the N.Y. S Courts Electronic Filing System. Go to <https://iappscontent.courts.state.ny.us/NYSCEF/live/unrepresented/UnrepresentedHomePage.html> for more information on how to e-file as a self-represented litigant.

3. **COURT ASSISTANCE** - If you require court assistance email the Erie County Help Center at [eriesurrogatehelp@nycourts.gov](mailto:eriesurrogatehelp@nycourts.gov) to request and schedule a telephonic appointment. If you do not have access to email call 716-845-7280.

4. **FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE** - Free Legal Assistance visit: [www.nycourts.gov/courts/8jd](http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/8jd) and click the "Free Legal Assistance" button on the left side of the screen.

AND

For advice on a Surrogate's Court matter, call the Center for Elder Law & Justice, 716-853-3087, ext. 241. For all other matters, call the Center for Elder Law & Justice's free legal Helpline at 1-844-481-0973 or e-mail [helpline@elderjusticenyc.org](mailto:helpline@elderjusticenyc.org).

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