Las Vegas Paiute Tribal Court

Court Clerk Can and Cannot

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Court Clerks are not attorneys and cannot provide answers to specific questions about court rules, procedures, and practices. If the Court Clerk does not know the answer to a particular question or is unable to provide you with the answer, she may refer you to the tribal code or to an advocate or attorney. The following lists certain ways a court clerk can and cannot assist you.

CAN	CANNOT
CAN give general information	CANNOT give legal advice
CAN answer general questions about how the court works	CANNOT explain judicial decisions, let you speak to the judge outside of the courtroom or talk to the judge about what will happen on your case
CAN provide you with contact information for attorneys or advocates	CANNOT refer you to specific lawyers, contact advocates or lawyers for your, or give answers that involve legal advice
CAN give you general information about court rules, terminology, procedures, and practices.	CANNOT advise you as to how the court rules and procedures will be applied to your case
CAN give you legal definitions	CANNOT give you legal interpretations
CAN give you procedural definitions	CANNOT give you procedural advice
CAN give you cites of statutes, court rules, and ordinances	CANNOT complete research of statutes, court rules, and ordinances for you
CAN give you public case information	CANNOT give you confidential information
	CANNOT deny access, discourage access or encourage litigation
CAN give you forms and instructions on how to complete them	CANNOT fill out form for a party except for persons with a disability
CAN review your form by checking for signatures, case numbers, and dates	CANNOT correct forms for you or tell you what corrections should be made
CAN usually answer general questions about deadlines	CANNOT change an order issued by a judge