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# Family Advice Scheme

**Willesden County Court**

*Assisting litigants with private family law matters...*

## The Scheme

The Family Advice Scheme is run by No.53 Legal Limited, DW Law Solicitors and City Law School.

It is a relatively new and innovative pro bono scheme set up to assist those who no longer have access to public funds for private family law matters, following changes under LASPO in April 2013.

The Scheme focuses on providing practical and procedural assistance and advice to enable litigants to effectively navigate the court process. Assistance is provided in private family law matters.

## Volunteer Recruitment

FAS are now recruiting for volunteer **Assistants**. The assistant role includes: interviewing first contact clients, assisting clients with applications/responses, referring clients for MIAM, data entry, diary management, assisting TFDA/FDAs with contact and abuse centre details and briefing TFDA/FDAs on first contact cases. Assistant roles require you to be in at least the second term of the second year of the LLB, a 3rd year LLB, on the GDL, GELLB, or on the BPTC/LPC or graduated from one of these courses.

The Scheme also has two other volunteer roles available for those who are on/graduated from the BPTC/LPC. These roles include representation of clients in court, and assistants, once on the BPTC/LPC are eligible to apply to progress to these roles.

**[www.FamilyAdvisers.org.uk](http://www.FamilyAdvisers.org.uk)**

## Applications & Training

Applications are open now. Applications are in three stages: online application form, interview and assessment.

Training is required for these roles as there is quite a lot to know in relation to the administration that surrounds family law cases. It consists of one day in class, for which a fee is charged, and then on the job training thereafter.

## Interested?

Go to [www.FamilyAdvisers.org.uk](http://www.FamilyAdvisers.org.uk) for more information and to make an application.



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