What is Student Legal Services (SLS)?

- Carolina Student Legal Services, Inc. is a non-profit law firm for UNC students. Our office is staffed by three licensed attorneys and one legal assistant. We are available to advise and represent students on a wide range of legal matters.

Who is eligible to use SLS?

- All currently enrolled UNC students that have paid the SLS fee are eligible.

What do students have to pay to use this service?

- The SLS Fee that funds our office is included in student activity fees, so there is no additional cost for our services. The student must pay any court costs associated with taking court action, such as filing fees.

When would students need to use SLS?

- We advise and represent students on a large range of legal matters. These most commonly include: landlord/tenant matters, domestic issues, criminal and traffic cases, consumer matters, etc.
- In addition to our legal services, we also provide free notary services for students.

Is the information I bring to SLS confidential?

- Our office is separate from the university, which means that all visits are also strictly confidential and attorney-client privileged.

Are there any restrictions on using SLS?

- SLS cannot advise or represent students who have legal questions or concerns with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill or any part therein.
- SLS cannot advise or represent students who have legal questions or concerns with fellow students who are also eligible for our services, unless each and every student involved in the legal matter signs a conflict of interest waiver, comes in at the same time for advice or counsel, and only if it would not be unethical for us to advise in the situation.
- SLS cannot provide representation if legal jurisdiction or venue is outside of Durham, Wake, Orange, Chatham or Alamance County, except in the case of expungements where no appearance is required.
- To view all restrictions on advice and representation please visit the Eligibility and Representation page on our website. [https://www.uncstudentlegal.unc.edu/eligibility-and-representation](https://www.uncstudentlegal.unc.edu/eligibility-and-representation)

**How do students set up an appointment?**

- Students can drop by the office, call, email, or send an appointment request through our website.

**Are there volunteer opportunities at SLS?**

- We do have a limited number of volunteer positions for interested students. Please contact our office for more information about volunteering.