

Top 10 Problems UW Students Have With Landlords

1. Security Deposit
2. Repairs
3. Moving Out
4. Breaking a Lease
5. Subletting
6. Checklists
7. Incompatible/Irresponsible Roommates
8. Reasonable Expectations About Shared Housing
9. Parking
10. Parties

Top 10 Consumer Issues for UW Students

1. Buying Cars
2. Buying Computers
3. Lending Money
4. Credit Cards
5. Cell Phone Contracts
6. Internet Sales/Purchases
7. Telephone Solicitations
8. Impulsive Purchases
9. Education Scams
10. Landlord/Tenant

CONSUMER RESOURCES

WA State Attorney General
<http://www.atg.wa.gov>

WA Law Help:
<http://www.washingtonlawhelp.org>

LANDLORD/TENANT RESOURCES

WA Off-Campus Housing Affairs
Condon Hall 218 206-543-8997
Information available includes listing of available rentals, tenant's rights, and common issues that tenants face.
<http://housing.asuw.org>

Revised Code of Washington Title 59:
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw>

WA Law Help:
<http://www.washingtonlawhelp.org>

The Tenant's Union:
Publications available in many languages include How to Break a Lease, How to Collect a Small Claims Court Judgment, Privacy Rights. There is also information specific to Seattle, and a variety of sample documents and letters.
<http://www.tenantsunion.org>

Seattle Department of Planning and Development
They have publications in nine different languages on Seattle ordinances that affect tenants. They also have the publication that landlords are required to supply tenants Series 600: Housing and Zoning Information
<http://web1.seattle.gov/DPD/CAMs/CamList.aspx?cs=600>

King County Bar Association
The KCBA has a good publication on small claims court, including a number of forms.
<http://www.kcba.org/>



UW Student Legal Services

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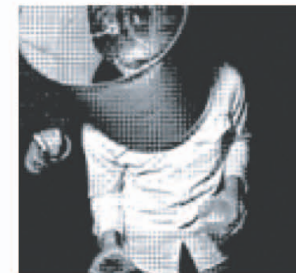
LANDLORD PROBLEMS



LOVE LOST



HAD ENOUGH FUN



TOO FAST & FURIOUS



WHAT IS SLS?

Student Legal Services is a Student Affairs program providing legal advice, representation, and education to enrolled UW-Seattle students paying the student activity fee. (Students in the Extension and Access programs, staff taking classes on a tuition waiver, and faculty are not eligible.) The office includes a staff attorney and third year law students also supervised by attorneys in private practice.

The program was founded in 1969. There are dozens of similar programs at state universities across the country.

SLS is an actual law office, and all lawyer confidentiality and ethics rules apply.

WHAT CAN SLS DO?

SLS can provide legal advice and referrals, educate you about your responsibilities or rights, negotiate disputes, help you prepare for small claims court, and represent you in other courts.

Student Legal Services handles:

- Landlord/tenant disputes
- Non-injury car or bike accidents
- Consumer or contract complaints
- Credit problems
- Uncontested dissolutions (divorces)
- Traffic tickets; problems with towing
- Simple wills or estate planning
- Simple criminal matters

WHAT CAN SLS NOT DO?

The legal interns conducting the consultations possess a limited license to practice law. Even if SLS cannot handle your case, SLS will try to give general information and refer you to a lawyer referral service, agency, or other helpful resource.

SLS does not accept these legal matters:

- Disputes involving the U.W.
- Contested family law cases
- Personal injury cases
- Bankruptcy
- Complicated criminal cases
- Intellectual property
- Immigration
- Tax
- Cases with large sums of money
- Cases with complex issues

IS THERE A COST?

Your initial 40 minute consultation with a legal intern is free. If you wish Student Legal Services to provide further assistance on the same matter, SLS charges \$15 per hour, plus a one-time \$10 administrative fee. You are also responsible to pay any court costs or similar fees. Students with extreme financial hardship may apply for a fee waiver or reduction.

WHERE DO I FIND SLS?

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICES is located at:
Condon Hall 511D, Box 352236
Seattle, WA 98195-2236

Call 543-6486 or stop by to make an appointment. SLS is not able to accommodate walk-in appointments.



**FOR YOUR PROTECTION,
NO LEGAL ADVICE IS
GIVEN OVER THE PHONE.**

For more information, please refer to the
UW Student Legal Services homepage at:
<http://depts.washington.edu/slsuw>