

## EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Disability Rights Louisiana (DRLA) is a statewide non-profit agency providing FREE legal services to people with disabilities

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for **DRLA's employment services**, an individual must:

- be a Louisiana resident; AND
- · have a physical, mental, or intellectual disability; AND
- receive SSI or SSDI; OR



 be seeking, receiving, or denied services under the Rehabilitation Act (such as Louisiana Rehabilitation Services, American Indian Rehabilitation Services, or Supported Employment Workshops)

DRLA protects, empowers, and advocates for people with disabilities throughout Louisiana. For more information on DRLA and our services, call us at 1-800-960-7705 or visit: <u>https://disabilityrightsla.org/get-help-now/</u>



#### **INFORMATION & REFERRAL**

- Employment rights
- Ticket to Work program
- Supervised referrals to providers and vendors
- South Louisiana Benefits Planning Program
- Supervised referrals to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) related to discrimination in hiring or firing
- Rehabilitation Services

# **INDIVIDUAL CASE ADVOCACY** (advice, consultation, negotiation, mediation, and/or representation at administrative and court proceedings)

- Access to assistive technology (communication devices, durable medical equipment, vehicle modifications)
- Discrimination in employment, benefits, or supported employment
- Reasonable accommodations
- Transition services from high school to work
- Services provider issues

- Wage and hour issues
- Para-transit and public transportation related to work
- Physical or programmatic access to universities and vocational/training schools
- Ticket to Work issues such as eligibility, work plan implementation, private provider issues, and conflicts about services to be provided
- Consultation, negotiation, and/or representation at administrative and court hearings

### **OUTREACH, EDUCATION & TRAINING**

DRLA provides education and training on the following:

- Transition from school to work
- Louisiana Rehabilitation Services
- South Louisiana Benefits Planning Program
- Employment Networks
- Supported employment



## RECENT SUCCESSES

- DRLA helped a person with physical disabilities obtain and Braille display from Louisiana Rehabilitation Services so that he could complete the tasks required for a promotion at work
- DRLA helped a person with an intellectual disability in sheltered employment receive a fair rate of pay by advocating for a time and motion study of the client's work
- DRLA helped a student realize his dream of attending a 4-year university with financing obtained through Louisiana Rehabilitation Services

If you need help or have questions about how Disability Rights Louisiana serves children and youth with disabilities, call or email us

#### TOLL-FREE 1-800-960-7705 (Voice or Via Relay) 8325 Oak St. • New Orleans, LA 70118

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To request services in Vietnamese, call 1-800-960-7705, extension 4 Để đòi hỏi những công tác (dich vụ) bàng tiếng Việt, xin gọi 1-800-960-7705, mở rang 4

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#### Serving Louisianans statewide