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The New Mexico State Bar Foundation's Modest Means Helpline Offers Free High-Quality Legal Help to Underserved New Mexicans

Albuquerque, N.M., March 14, 2025— The New Mexico State Bar Foundation's ("Bar Foundation") Modest Means Helpline is currently open for callers in need of legal support and assistance. Serving New Mexicans with incomes below 500% of the federal poverty guidelines, the Modest Means Helpline is committed to the underrepresented in New Mexico. New Mexican residents can reach the Modest Means Helpline at 505-797-6013 or 888-857-9935. Phone lines are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (MT).

The Modest Means Helpline attorneys provide legal advice over the phone in civil legal matters including but not limited to domestic relations (divorce, child custody, kinship guardianship, domestic violence), landlord/tenant, small business issues, consumer and probate.

"The main goal of the Modest Means Helpline is to help people who are representing themselves in court to understand what their next steps are so they can have meaningful access to New Mexico's judicial system," said Kasey Daniel, Legal Services Director of the New Mexico State Bar Foundation.

Established in Oct. 2022, the Modest Means Helpline is now in its third year of service. Having benefitted over 15,400 New Mexican residents to date, the Modest Means Helpline is a testament to the Bar Foundation's commitment to supporting New Mexico residents.

For more information about the Modest Means Helpline and its services, please visit www.sbnm.org/MMH or call the helpline at 505-797-6013 or 888-857-9935.

The State Bar of New Mexico was organized in 1886 and is composed of more than 9,000 members. Its purposes are to aid the courts in administering justice and preserving the rule of law, and to foster a high standard of integrity and competence within the legal profession.

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