LEGAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Agricultural Law Attorneys
Callers to Kansas Agricultural Mediation Services (KAMS) may speak with the staff attorney at no cost. All information shared with KAMS is confidential. With over 25 years of experience serving the Kansas ag community, the KAMS attorney assists callers with a wide variety of ag-related concerns, including paperwork clarification and assessment of legal options and alternatives.

Kansas Legal Services
KAMS has an agreement with Kansas Legal Services, Inc. (KLS) to provide legal advice for a reduced fee based on income. KLS is a non-profit organization funded primarily by the federal Legal Services Corporation. It has partnered with KAMS since the program began in 1988.

KLS attorneys have ag law experience and understand farm situations. They are able to provide statewide assistance to KAMS participants. KLS attorneys explain the laws and regulations governing the mediation issue, as well as rights, obligations and legal options. Legal preparation for mediation helps to effectively resolve issues between ag producers and their creditors, as well as disputes involving adverse decisions of various USDA agencies (FSA, NRCS, Rural Development, RMA).

Attorney Fees
KAMS funding assists in paying the KLS attorneys’ fees. Participants are responsible for part of the fee based on a co-pay system. Fees range from $20-$80 per hour, based on level of income.

Legal Questions?
Call KAMS!
800-321-FARM

Referrals
To work with a KLS attorney, call KAMS at 800-321-FARM (3276). Staff attorney, Forrest Buhler, will refer you to the attorney that serves your area. KAMS, a confidential service, provides free or low cost financial, legal and mediation services to the Kansas agricultural community.

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