

You can now.

A criminal or civil action, or specialized legal counsel might cost more than you can afford. Yet justice may depend on both.

Inability to pay a lawyer is one of the last remaining obstacles to justice within the law.

This is no longer a problem in Ontario. On March 29, 1967, a new legal assistance act became effective in Ontario. It guarantees that no resident of this province shall be denied his legal rights because of the lack of money.

You choose your own lawyer.

You make application to him or your area director. Then a decision is made as to what portion of the legal costs, if any, you can pay. The difference is made up from the legal assistance fund provided by the Government of Ontario. The plan is administered by The Law Society of Upper Canada.

Neither the court nor the public knows you have received legal assistance. It is a private

affair between you and your lawyer.

This is the most advanced solution in the world to the problem of legal assistance. And its purpose is to render justice to every man

under the law.



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