## **Training Guide for VLN Referrals in Northern Regions**

## Income Eligibility:

- Less than **300%** FPG
- If applicant is **300-400%**, they may still be able to get legal advice if they have at least 1 of these expenses:
  - 1. Court-ordered child support
  - 2. Childcare
  - 3. Recurring out-of-pocket medical expenses
  - 4. Garnishment

## **Case Types/Legal Topics** \*\*\*\*\* Check LOON for the full list!

- Landlord/Tenant: only issues with former landlords about security deposit or retrieving belongings
- Family: only advice on family law cases
- Most common issues that VLN can help with from their Civil Law listing:
  - Garnishment (how to avoid, how to stop, etc)
  - Force title transfer on car (when the buyer or seller of a car refuses to sign the title transfer)
  - Disputes with insurance companies (if there is no pending litigation)
  - Disputes with contractors over work on a home applicant owns
  - Disputes with creditors over debt, creditor harassment, concerns about debts a client cannot pay (if there is no pending litigation)
  - How to collect on a judgment
  - Car accidents what to do, how to respond, disputes with insurance (if there is no pending litigation)
- **Employment** (e.g., wage claims, wrongful termination)
- **Real Estate** (most common legal issues):
  - Issues with joint ownership of property like needing to change names on deeds or mortgages
  - Foreclosure and mortgage issues (if there is no pending litigation)
  - Real estate fraud and "truth in housing"
- Criminal Expungement

<u>REMEMBER</u>: VLN clients most often get phone advice. They have stricter eligibility for full representation. VLN will screen applicants for full representation when applicable. Review Staff Notes for more information.