

## Legal Assistance Office



## **Legal Assistance Services Provided to Contractors**

A civilian contractor accompanying the Armed Forces of the United States and his/her family members will receive limited legal assistance when the Department of Defense is contractually obligated as part of their logistical support. Paragraph 2-5a of AR 27-3 provides a list of persons eligible to receive legal assistance. This provision also states what services will be provided based on the eligibility of the person.

Paragraph 2-5a(7) states that civilian contractors and their family members accompanying US Armed Forces outside of the United States will be provided limited legal services only in those cases in which there is a contractual obligation as part of their logistical support.

The regulation further states that services provided to contractors and their dependents "must be in accordance with - and not prohibited by- applicable international agreement, or approved by the host-nation government in some way."

In order for contractors and their family members to receive legal assistance from the Wiesbaden Legal Assistance Office, they will have to provide evidence (copy of contract or letter) of their eligibility to such services during the client screening process.

Normally, the government issued identification card is not sufficient to establish eligibility for legal assistance.

If eligible, Paragraph 2-5a(7)(b) lists the services that will be provided to contractors and their family members. The legal services provided will be limited to:

- 1. Ministerial Services Notarial services.
- 2. Legal Counseling Including review and discussion of legal correspondence, and other documents.
- **3.** Legal Document Preparation Limited to Powers of attorney, Advanced Medical Directives, and help on retaining civilian lawyers.

If you have further questions, please make an appointment with the Wiesbaden Legal Assistance Office by emailing us at: <a href="mailto:USARMY.WIESBADEN.USAREUR.MBX.OJA-WLC-LEGAL-ASSISTANCE-CALENDAR@MAIL.MIL">USARMY.WIESBADEN.USAREUR.MBX.OJA-WLC-LEGAL-ASSISTANCE-CALENDAR@MAIL.MIL</a>.