

Dalhousie Women's Centre Advocacy Agreement and Truth Undertaking

I, _____, give permission to the Dalhousie Women's Centre "DWC" staff and/or volunteers _____ and _____ to act as advocates on my behalf and to obtain documents relevant to my case. These documents include:

- () All relevant documents
 - () Official transcripts
 - () Correspondence relevant to my case
 - () Other (pleas specify) _____
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I also understand and accept that:

1. The above documentation and everything I communicate to my advocate(s) will be kept confidential, except to the extent necessary to assist me.
2. The DWC is entitled to keep copies of all documents in my file until five years after my file is open at which time the file will be destroyed.
3. I am entitled to have original documents belonging to me returned upon my request. This does not include and note taked, documents carbon-copied to them or forms belonging to the DWC.
4. The relationship between my advocate(s) and I must be open and truthful so all statements and documents I give the advocate will be factually accurate and complete.
5. The advocate(s) are responsible for pursuing the most reasonable solution to the best of their abilities but cannot guarantee a specific outcome.
6. I have the right to terminate the advocate(s)'s involvement in this case and have a reponsibility to inform him/her in writing if I choose to do so.
7. My advocate(s) are entitled to terminate their involvement if I violate my responsibility to maintain an open and truthful relationship, if all reasnable actions have been taken or if they can no longer serve me to the best of their abilities.

Signature

Date

Witness Signature

Date



