



Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc.

Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc. is a free Statewide Community Legal Service that works only on disability related legal issues. We have a particular focus on the rights of people who have an intellectual disability.

Villamanta's main purpose is to make sure that Victorian people who have a disability know about the law, and are enabled to use the law, to get their rights.

Villamanta provides:

- *A free telephone information, advice and referral service*
- *Legal casework*
- *Community Education*
- *Policy and law reform*

All of these services are provided free to people who have a disability.

Some of these services are also provided to people who do not have a disability to assist them in supporting people who have a disability. We also sell some books on disability rights issues.

Villamanta's Mission

Villamanta advances the rights of people who have a disability related justice issue.

What does Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc. believe?

Villamanta believes that people who have a disability have a right to be treated in ways that are fair and reasonable, and give them opportunities, freedoms, and a standard of living that are equal to those for people who do not have a disability.

Villamanta aims to make it possible for people who have a disability to know what their legal rights are and to **use the law** to make sure that their rights are recognised and acted upon by others.



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BE A MEMBER OF VILLAMANTA!

Any person or organisation that agrees to support the Statement of Purposes of Villamanta can be a member. The Statement of Purposes says what Villamanta is there for, and what Villamanta works to do. (You can get a copy of our Statement of Purposes by contacting us).

Members receive our newsletter, which comes out 3 times a year. They are invited to our Annual General Meeting, and have the right to vote on any decisions that are made at the Annual General Meeting.

Members have the right to nominate to be a member of Villamanta's Committee of Management, who are the people responsible for making sure Villamanta runs well.

If you want to be a member of Villamanta, please fill in this form, and have it signed by two people you know who are already members of Villamanta (this is called nominating you). If you don't know two people who are already members, please phone us on **1800 014 111**, so we can arrange this for you.



I want to be a member of Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____



I am a member of Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc. I know the person whose name is written above, and I nominate them to be a member of Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc.

1st member:

2nd member:

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

**Please send this form to: Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc.
44 Bellerine Street, Geelong, Vic., 3220**



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Reg. No.A0023376Z

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEMBERSHIP

Villamanta will choose new members for its Committee at the Annual General Meeting.

The job of the committee of management is to control and manage the business and affairs of Villamanta.

The Committee is made up of:

Chairperson;
Deputy Chairperson;
Treasurer;
Secretary; and
8 Ordinary members

The Committee of Management usually meets at least 8 times each year. The meetings are held in Geelong. If you are a Committee Member, you need to be able to get to most of the meetings.

You also need to spend time before the meetings going through the papers that are sent out, so that you come to the meetings well prepared.

Villamanta can provide support to Committee Members to prepare for the meetings, if that support is needed.

Applying to be a member of Villamanta's Committee of Management is called nominating. **If you are thinking of nominating, please read this page carefully, so that you are clear what is involved.**

If you want to nominate to be on Villamanta's Committee, please fill in the form on the other side of this page.



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COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

If you want to nominate to be on Villamanta's committee, please read the information on the other side of this page first. Fill in this form, and have it signed by two people who are members of Villamanta (this is called nominating you).



I want to be a member of Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc. Committee of Management

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____



I am a member of Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc. I know the person whose name is written above, and I nominate them to be a member of Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc.'s Committee of Management

1st member: Signed: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

2nd member Signed: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Please post this form in time for it to arrive at least 7 days before the AGM to:

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