

Work in pairs. Study the words below, then fi ll in the gaps. **Meaning, clients, civil, law firms, advice, represent, finance, fee, accused, debt, attorneys, litigation, contracts, voluntary, license, law, crimes.**

A lawyer (also known as barrister, attorney or solicitor) is someone who practises (1) _____. A lawyer has earned a degree in law, and has a (2) _____ to practise law in a particular area. The (3) _____ of the term "lawyer" may vary from place to place. The majority of (4) _____ work in private practice focusing on criminal or civil law. Lawyers practicing criminal law represent people charged with (5) _____. Lawyers specializing in (6) _____ law help clients draft wills, set up trusts, draft (7) _____ and assist with numerous other legal issues. An important aspect of a lawyer's job is developing and managing relationships with (8)_____. Lawyers are always free to form (9) _____associations known as (10) _____. Attorneys generally charge a (11) _____ for the work that they do, but sometimes (12) _____ is offered freely. In many cases, if a person is (13) _____ of a crime and unable to pay for a lawyer, the government will pay a lawyer to (14) _____ him using tax money. Some law firms in Moldova specialize in banking and (15) _____, acquisitions and privatizations, (16) _____ collection, investment, family, (17) _____ and other spheres.



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