MHLAC may provide representation to people with, or perceived to have, a mental health condition who have legal concerns in the following areas:

**Community Based Mental Health Services**
- DMH Eligibility Denials
- Access to DMH’s Adult Clinical Community Services (ACCS)
- Access to MassHealth’s Children’s Behavioral Health Initiative (CBHI) services
- Access to mental health services for DYS involved youth

**Education**
- Denial of appropriate educational services to youth under 22 years old confined in a DYS or DMH run facility, county jail, or prison
- Exclusion from school as a result of school disciplinary action or arrest, including the failure to provide adequate alternative education
- Discrimination in public schools due to mental health, including failure to provide minimally adequate curriculum and services
- Restraint and seclusion

**Employment / Insurance**
- Discrimination in employment or workplace benefits
- Private Disability Insurance (income replacement) – Denial of or termination from short- or long-term disability insurance benefits, where the disability is based on a mental condition
- Health Insurance – Denial of coverage for mental health services or out-of-network providers

**Family Law**
- Custody of or parenting time to their children
- Termination or denial of DCF services

**Jail and Bridgewater State Hospital**
- Denial of mental health care
- Restraint and seclusion

**Medical Treatment Discrimination**
- Dismissal of physical health concerns by a health provider because of a person’s psychiatric history
- Allegations of improper disclosure of confidential mental health treatment information

**Mental Health Facilities & Emergency Rooms**
- Allegations of mistreatment and rights violations in a hospital emergency room or mental health facility
- Restraint and seclusion

**Residential**
- Eviction or threat of eviction from DMH group home (supported housing) settings
- Restraint and seclusion