

## Disability Rights Arkansas

Disability Rights Arkansas is an independent, private, nonprofit organization designated by the Governor of Arkansas to advocate for and protect the rights of people with disabilities in Arkansas.

The Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security program (PABSS) resides within Disability Rights Arkansas.

### How Do I Contact a PABSS Advocate?

If you are in need of advocacy or possible legal assistance regarding employment issues, please contact our office.



## DRA Mission:

Vigorously advocate for and enforce the legal rights of people with disabilities in Arkansas.

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**PABSS: Protection  
and Advocacy for  
Beneficiaries of  
Social Security**

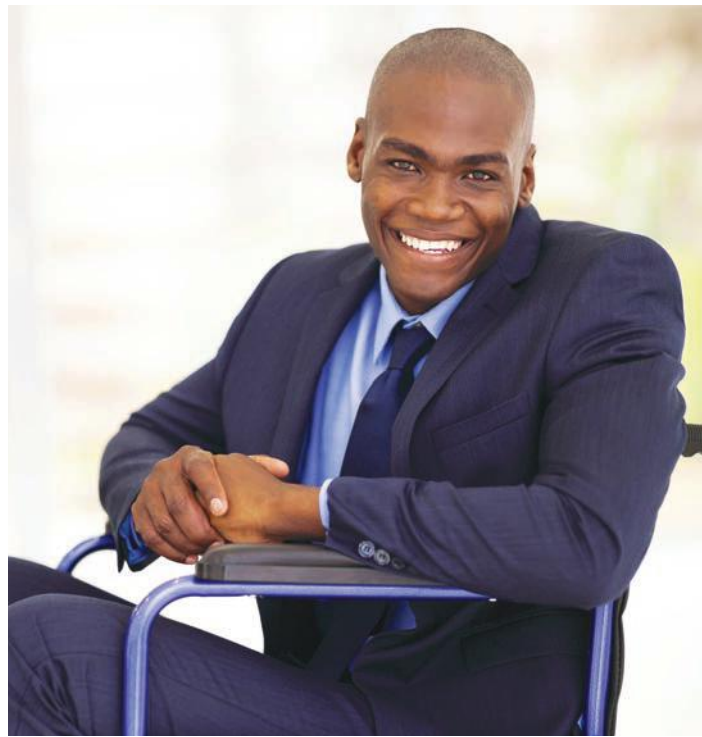
## What is PABSS?

PABSS stands for the Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security. It is a federally funded project to assist beneficiaries to return to the workforce.

### What Issues Can PABSS staff assist with?

PABSS advocates can assist with many different areas when obtaining employment is the ultimate goal. Some of these areas include:

- Employment Discrimination
- School to Work Transition
- Post-Secondary Education
- Issues related to Vocational Rehabilitation
- Referral to Employment Networks
- Information/Referral Services for Benefits Counseling
- Accommodations at your employment
- Assisting individuals in receiving competitive or supported employment options.



PABSS Staff can provide you with information about programs, resources, and other supports necessary to gain or maintain employment. PABSS staff can advocate on your behalf to handle any barriers to employment. PABSS Staff can assist you in obtaining reasonable accommodations in the workplace. PABSS staff can refer you to the appropriate benefits counselors needed to keep you informed about how work affects your Social Security benefits.

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Do you receive SSI or SSDI?

Would you like to return to work?

Are you concerned about work affecting your benefits?

Did you know that there are work incentives?

Did you know that PABSS advocacy is a free service provided to beneficiaries that wish to return to work?

Are you having problems at work and need advocacy or legal services?

