

Legal Helpers on Strike

New York (AP)—The Legal Services Staff Association struck facilities of Community Action for Legal Services yesterday in a contract dispute over salaries and other matters.

Catherine Mitchell, acting general counsel for CALS, said the organization's prime function of providing legal advice and representation for the poor in civil court cases was being fulfilled despite some difficulties.

The 16 neighborhood law offices were manned by management personnel as the strike began, and CALS, which assists 40,000 clients a year, said it was counting on lawyers to protect their clients by postponing court cases if necessary.