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Smartphone app providing legal advice launches

An app helping make legal advice more accessible has launched.

LegalDefence is a subscription-based service created to give people access to legal advice 24 hours a day by LegalShield.

The app includes a chatbot, Gordon, which is able to answer basic questions as well as providing access to online advisors for more complicated matters.

The platform is also looking for associates to provide advice.

Mike Roberts, managing director of LegalShield, said: "We're delighted to be officially launching LegalDefence in the UK. We know that in life, law happens. But there's a worrying tendency for people to struggle through these situations alone, either because they simply don't know where to turn for help, or they think getting professional support would be a hassle or unaffordable."

Martyn Beauchamp, chief customer officer, Slater and Gordon - one of the firms to provide advice through the platform, said: "Innovating through technology and progressive partnerships is a key part of our strategy to transform the way UK customers use legal services. Our partnership with LegalShield increases access to justice at a fair price and means we can offer UK customers an unrivalled level of choice and convenience - all from the palm of their hand."

To find out more about becoming a LegalDefence member or associate visit [LegalShield.co.uk](https://www.legalsshield.co.uk). Memberships starts at £19 a month.