

October 15, 2015

Dan Ruben
Executive Director
Equal Justice America
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Midlothian, VA 23112

Re: Madeleine Wineland – Fellowship Evaluation

Dear Mr. Ruben;

I am writing to provide my evaluation of Madeleine Wineland's Legal Services Fellowship.

Madeleine began work with us as a full time summer law student for our Veterans Rights Project at LAF (f/k/a Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago). Your fellowship has allowed her to continue her work during the school year.

Madeleine's work has been consistently excellent. She has coordinated multiple veteran services clinics, interviewed potential veteran clients, provided legal advice and written multiple research memoranda. She answered questions about availability of various forms of relief, as well as more common issues concerning veteran benefit claims, food stamps, Medicaid and Social Security disability compensation.

Without Madeleine's assistance, staffing changes would have forced us to at least temporarily close our veterans' clinics. Her work has directly increased the quantity and quality of legal services available to the low-income veteran population.

Now that transitioning staff are being replaced, she is assisting new staff with the task of learning our old systems. She coordinated our efforts to rebuild our system for reaching new clients.

Going beyond traditional law student expectations, Madeleine has consistently gone beyond basic work expectations as a law student during this fall semester. She has been a great asset to our organization, and I evaluate her fellowship as excellent.

Thank you for your consideration of this information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles R. Petrof". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and a stylized "P".

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