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Mr. Dan Ruben Executive Director at Equal Justice America Equal Justice America Building II, Suite 204 13540 East Boundary Road Midlothian, VA 23112

RE: Elizabeth Ullman

Dear Mr. Ruben:

I am writing this letter on behalf of and at the request of Elizabeth Ullman, who interned with our agency this past summer. Ms. Ullman worked at our agency this past summer and worked directly under my supervision. Our agency represents low-income people in a variety of civil proceedings. My department consists of attorneys and paralegals who assist clients with divorce and domestic violence cases.

Ms. Ullman interviewed clients by phone and in person, contacted LAF for possible thev representation. She drafted several pleadings, including Qualified Domestic Relations Orders, and drafted letters to clients and opposing counsels. She did extensive legal research on the Mental Health Act and researched discovery issues regarding educational records of minor children. She also obtained her Supreme Court rule 711 license very early in the summer, which enabled her to appear in court on status proceedings. She appeared in court to finalize a divorce case, which entailed questioning our client and presenting the judgment to the court. She also volunteered several times to help client at our Pro Se Divorce clinic.

She also attended our weekly staff meeting.

Ms. Ullman was a great asset to our agency in general and my department in particular. She was always at work, always on time, and completed all of her assignments in a timely fashion. She was truly a pleasure to work with this summer.

If you need further information, please feel free to contact me at the above address.

Sincerely,

Joann F. Villasenor Supervising Attorney Family Law Project